

First Bank of Highland Park

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Bernie's Book Bank

First Bank of Highland Park (FBHP) is pleased to welcome Bernie's Book Bank as the featured non-profit organization on the Ruth Fell Wander Community Art Wall throughout the month of October.

The mission of Bernie's Book Bank is to source, process and distribute quality new and gently used children's books to significantly increase book ownership among at-risk children throughout Chicagoland. Bernie's Book Bank will distribute 3.6 million books to 360,000 children this year alone.

"It is an honor for Bernie's Book Bank to be featured on the Ruth Fell Wander Community Art Wall," says Brian Floriani, Founder and Chief Advancement Officer. "First Bank of Highland Park has been huge supporter of our mission since the very beginning. We're grateful for their ongoing generosity in the form of volunteer hours, donated children's books, monetary investment and much more."

The art wall provides an opportunity for the community to learn more about Bernie's Book Bank, their volunteer opportunities, upcoming events, how to donate books and make an investment.

Bernie's Book Bank will host its 5th Annual Book Lovers' City Lunch at 11:30 a.m. on October 23, 2019 at the AON Center in Chicago. Book Lovers' City Lunch is an annual benefit that supports the mission of Bernie's Book Bank to increase book-ownership among at-risk children throughout Chicagoland. Guests enjoy a delicious meal while hearing from a featured author and learning more about the mission of Bernie's Book Bank.

Throughout the month of October, FBHP will be collecting gently used children's books to support Bernie's Book Bank. The exhibit is located in the bank lobby and will be open to the public during regular bank hours.

To learn how you can support Bernie's Book Bank, please visit

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