

Mission Viejo's Little Free Library

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Why?

Giving children access to good quality literature builds their intelligence. Having this library in the park builds community engagement, and lets families know we care about their joy and their well being within the neighborhood.



where?

In the Mission Viejo Park near the playground. The little library being near the park is crucial, because it is so close to where children and families gather to socialize and play!

Imagine the curiosity people will experience when they see the tiny library near by to their play space. When children ever need a break from playing, they can take a look inside the library and read a variety of children's books such as children's novels, comic books, and non-fiction children's books on history and science.



What?



Two shelved mini Library for many books to be stored. This will also help store books of various widths and heights



A step stool post. This allows small children to automonsly look in the librarby themselves without the help of a parent or sibling. This also eliminates any digging a traditional post would need.

If we buy it

Price

if we build it



Double Door Shed Unfinished Little Free Library
English-Spanish / Metal

\$369.95



Step Stool Library Post and Topper

\$159.95

Discount code or gift card

Apply

Subtotal · 2 items \$529.90

Shipping \$126.44

Total USD \$656.34

Item	Adjusted Estimated Cost
3/4" x 4' x 8' Exterior Plywood (Premium CDX or Sanded)	\$65.00 – \$80.00
4" x 4" x 8' Pressure-Treated Post	\$18.00 – \$22.00
Plexiglass/Acrylic Sheet (Durable 1/8" thickness)	\$25.00 – \$35.00
Heavy-Duty Exterior Screws & L-Brackets	\$18.00 – \$25.00
Waterproof Wood Glue (Large bottle)	\$10.00 – \$14.00
Outdoor Hinges, Handle, and Magnetic Catch	\$18.00 – \$28.00
Premium Exterior Silicone Caulk (1-2 tubes)	\$9.00 – \$16.00
Fast-Setting Concrete (1-2 bags for a sturdy base)	\$8.00 – \$16.00
Premium Exterior Primer & Paint (1 quart each, name brand)	\$40.00 – \$55.00
Roofing Flashing / Metal Drip Edge / Shingles	\$12.00 – \$20.00
Estimated Total Cost (All New Materials)	\$223.00 – \$311.00

Price

If we buy it

if we build it

Pros

Cons

Pros

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Faster

**More expensive
upfront**

Less expensive

Slower

Well built

**Community efforts to
build it**

Weather proof



Design

Option 1-

I volunteer to paint a mountain scene on the little library. I have years of experience in painting, I have created many personal art pieces and I have worked in a professional studio.

I propose to paint Aurora's mountain horizon. This is a very beautiful landmark and many people will recognize the image and connect with it.



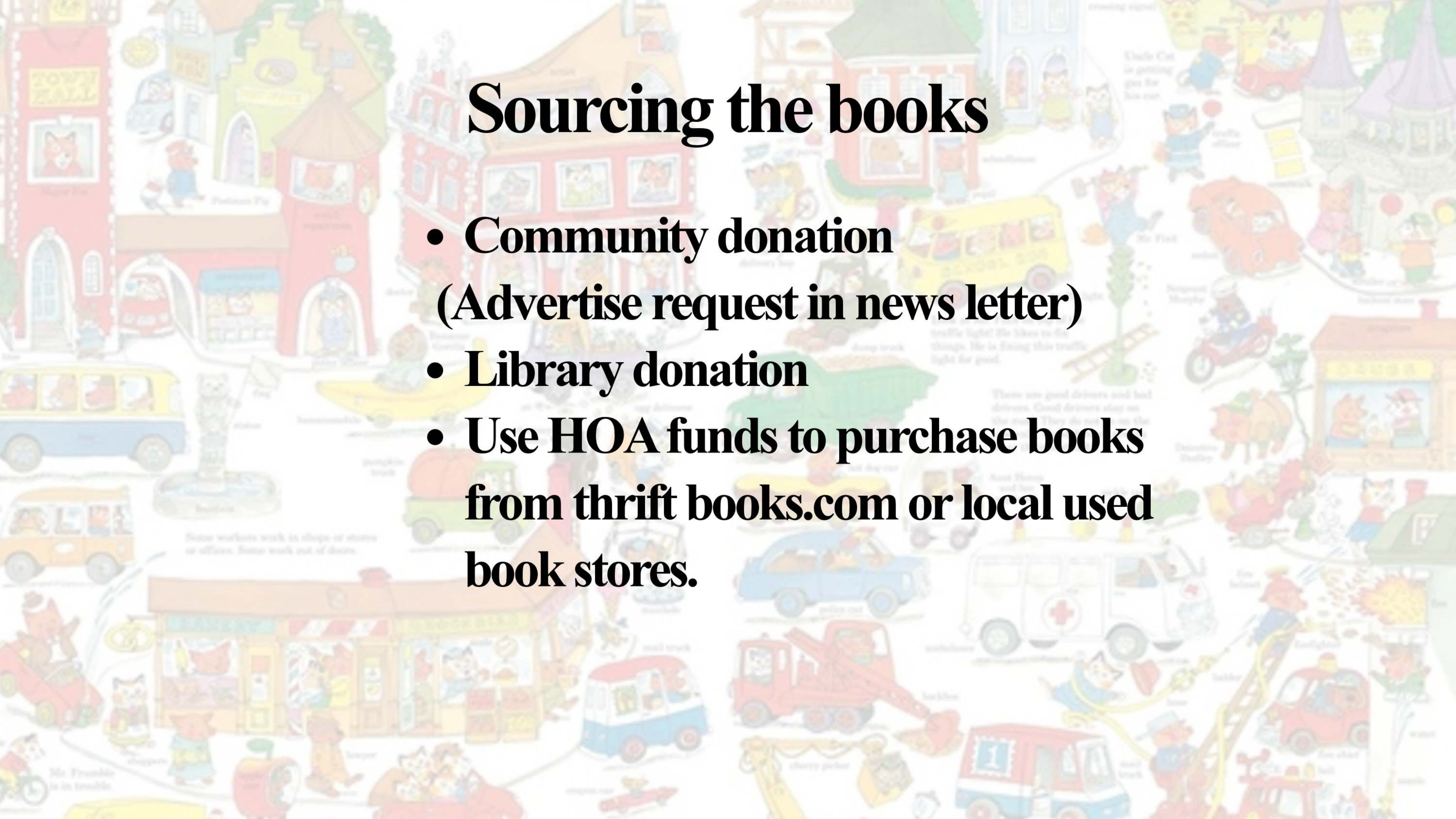
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Option 2-

We put up a contest!

Teenagers and/or children in the neighborhood could design an image of what they think the little library should look like. Then the neighborhood could vote on the winner.





Sourcing the books

- **Community donation**
(Advertise request in news letter)
- **Library donation**
- **Use HOA funds to purchase books from [thrift books.com](https://www.thriftbooks.com) or local used book stores.**

A whimsical, stylized illustration. In the center, a large tree with green leaves and many yellow round fruits stands. To the left, a character with a green pointed hat peeks from behind a bush. In the foreground, a large white creature with a black top hat and a brown fringed skirt stands among several small white ghost-like figures. Two small children with blonde hair and red dresses are running towards the left. Other characters include a white creature with an orange umbrella, a red fox-like creature, a brown dinosaur-like creature, and a blue-robed figure. The ground is covered in white daisies with yellow centers. The background shows stylized green hills and a grey sky with white clouds.

Thank you!