

Foundation Info

The RISE Foundation is the non-profit division of RISE.

They provide education, training and development, and community outreach for RISE.

RISE knows the power in seeing people who look like you in literature and want children to physically interact with books amidst the digital age.

About the Library

In April 2020, RISE Foundation created the **only All Black Library in Virginia and the United States**.

When students check out a book, they read it, write about it, and speak about it.

The books are given by authors, often being a signed copy, book drives to raise money, distributors, and online websites.



Stop by and see for yourself!

Call **540.221.6964** to schedule a visit and see the space.

**1320 Ohio St., Suite D
Waynesboro, Virginia**

Want to contribute?

Donations are tax deductible and go towards adding books to the library.

Through the donation link, you can specify you would like to give to the book drive.

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A Page in History

ALL BLACK LIBRARY

Progress and Reactions

First opening200 books

Current estimate1,500 books

Goal5,000 books

All books are written **by Black authors about Black life.**

Many children were shocked at the amount of books reflecting their own culture and had a hard time choosing a book because of all the options to pick from.

Everyone can find a book at the library. They go from pre-k through adulthood.



Room to Expand

The foundation is partnering with local craftsman to add more shelves to the room since books are continuously being added to the library. Your contributions help the library continue to grow!

Beliefs and Goals

Promote history, family, encouragement, faith, love, and relationships of Black people

Expose youth in the Shenandoah Valley to books reflecting Black culture and experience

Expand students' literary analysis and presentation skills