Summer Reading Grants

Dollar General Literacy Foundation

Help a community program keep children reading during the summer, with focused activities and reading resources.

Funding and timing

Up to $3,000 per organization

January 2027 opening announced; confirm the new deadline.

Check your eligibility

• School, public library or eligible nonprofit providing literacy services.

• Organization must be in a state served by Dollar General and within 15 miles of a store; verify the address with the funder.

• Summer reading program; consecutive-award restrictions apply.

Check the purchase

Software, books, instructional materials, technology and program support are listed categories.

Confirm the specific Glow product, learner count, license period and purchasing method with the funder before buying. Category eligibility is not product approval.

Sources reviewed Oct 29, 2026. Confirm current rules before applying.

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Funding application worksheet

Use this worksheet to prepare an accurate request. Complete private financial or student information only through the funder's secure application process.

1. Describe the learning

Grade range, number of learners, reading or math focus, and the skills you will teach:

2. Plan the practice

Teaching routine, session length, project dates and how you will support learners:

3. Review progress

Starting check, independent practice and a later check of taught skills:

4. Confirm the budget

Product, approved quote, learner allocation, license dates, fees and renewal coverage:

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Where and how to submit

Who receives the request

Dollar General Literacy Foundation · Summer Reading review team

An authorized organization representative submits in the foundation's portal during an open cycle. Prepare now; use the current cycle's form when it opens.

Submission steps

1. Register the organization in the portal. Schools need their NCES school and district IDs; public libraries use their IMLS ID. Allow up to 48 hours for verification.

2. Select Summer Reading, complete the screening questions and transfer your edited project sections into the matching application fields.

3. Enter the requested budget, attach required evidence, review all answers and submit in the portal. Save the confirmation and a copy of the application.

Open Dollar General application portal

https://grantprograms.dgliteracy.org/

Prepare your proposal online

Choose your project details and edit the prefilled Glow proposal. The tool includes a budget and the document checklist for this program.

Open the Glow grant writer

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Documents and official sources

Documents to prepare

- Organization eligibility and location information
- School/district or library identifier, as applicable
- Project description, timeline and itemized budget
- Current Glow quote and any required organizational approvals

Official program sources

Program descriptions and next cycles

Summer Reading supports new or expanded programs for Pre-K–12 children, including beginning readers, students reading below grade level and readers with learning disabilities. Schools, libraries and nonprofits can prepare for the January 2027 opening; the next deadline is not yet published.

www.dgliteracy.org

Eligibility, awards and eligible expenses

Awards can reach $3,000 for books, software, materials, technology and program staffing. Applicants must be in a Dollar General state and within 15 miles of a store. Two consecutive awards require a year off. Check the location rule, then submit the summer program and budget in the foundation's portal.

grantprograms.dgliteracy.org

Request an itemized Glow quote

Ask for the product, learner count, license start/end dates, any fees and renewal terms. Scholarship purchases may need individual-student pricing or an allocation of a shared subscription. A grant does not automatically fund renewals.

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Before you submit

- Check the current deadline and all eligibility rules on the official site.
- Use accurate project details and obtain any school or organization approvals.
- Confirm software allowability and required purchasing channels before payment.
- Review the full application. The funder makes the award decision.

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