

## Books for Africa

The AΩA student members are pleased to announce the kick off of a book drive at the AΩA reception. Books will be collected for an organization called Books for Africa, a non-profit organization which collects, sorts, ships, and distributes books to schools in Africa. They are the largest shipper of books to Africa, and since 1988 have sent over 24 million textbooks to 45 African countries. How can you help?

Bins to collect books will be placed throughout Gandhi Hall from April 15 through the end of May.

### Books for Africa accepts:

- 15 years old or newer popular fiction and nonfiction reading books (soft and hard cover).
- 1995 or newer publish date primary, secondary, and college textbooks (soft and hard cover).
- 1995 or newer reference books such as encyclopedias and dictionaries.
- 1995 or newer publish date medical, nursing, IT, and law books.
- Bibles are sent when requested by African recipients.
- School/office supplies—paper, pencils, pens, wall charts, maps, etc.
- Acceptable books are gently used and relevant to an African reader.

### Books For Africa does NOT accept:

- Magazines or journals of any kind.
- Home decorating, wedding, or cookbooks.
- Ethnocentric books, such as the biography of Abraham Lincoln or the history of Ohio.
- Foreign language books except for French books. French novels and dictionaries are welcome.
- American history or civics.
- Music books for K–12.

You may also contribute money for shipping costs (\$.50/book). More information about the organization is available at [www.booksforafrica.org](http://www.booksforafrica.org). You can also contact Shanti Ramesh, AΩA president at [ramesh.5@wright.edu](mailto:ramesh.5@wright.edu).