The Tucson Festival of Books helps make Tucson a better community
We are focused on providing Tucson youth a brighter tomorrow. An estimated 25 percent of Festival attendees are age 18 and under.

OUR FESTIVAL PROGRAMMING ELEVATES LITERACY & EDUCATION:

• Extensive school outreach in the weeks leading up to the festival, including author visits, which encourage students and families from all walks of life to participate in the festival
• Field trips that enable 1,000 students from Title I schools to attend the festival.
• Contests in which hundreds of young authors and artists learn about and hone their literary skills
• More than 70,000 free books given to children since 2009
• Science City – the single-largest event in the state of Arizona promoting Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts / Agriculture and Math (STEAM) – has something for everyone … not just kids!

WE SUPPORT YEAR-ROUND LITERACY PROGRAMS IN TUCSON:

• Funds raised beyond those needed to produce the festival are given to local literacy programs
• To-date more than $2M has been donated to literacy organizations in Southern Arizona
• Non-profit programs supported include Literacy Connects, Reading Seed and University of Arizona Literacy Outreach Programs
• Administrative costs average less than 15% annually

WE HAVE HAD A TREMENDOUS ECONOMIC IMPACT:

• Estimated $3.5M - $4.5M in economic impact to the Tucson community annually

EXPOSURE AT THE FESTIVAL:

• An estimated 140,000 attendees in 2019 (more than one-million in 11 years)
• 2,000+ volunteers (200 year-round; 1,800 event weekend; 700 volunteers in Science City)
• Hundreds of authors, many of whom travel to Tucson from throughout the United States and internationally
• 100+ Arizona-based authors
• More than 200 generous sponsors – including local and regional businesses, foundations and individuals – support festival programming through cash and in-kind donations
• More than 100 exhibitors and food vendors purchase booth space; 30 sponsors exhibit during weekend

SOCIAL MEDIA REACH:

• More than 1.2M TucsonFestivalofBooks.org site visits
• 170,000+ mobile app downloads (Android, Apple & Kindle platforms)
• Currently more than 35,000 electronic newsletter subscribers
• Over 1.6M impressions on Facebook - www.facebook.com/tucsonfestivalofbooks
• Nearly 200,000 impressions on Twitter - www.twitter.com/tfob
• Countless references to the festival in blog posts and website links

The Tucson Festival of Books has unprecedented reach
In nine years, the Tucson Festival of Books has experienced exponential growth. From a crowd of 50,000 in 2009 to crowds of an estimated 140,000 in 2019, the festival has become a destination event for best-selling authors, Southern Arizona residents and tourists from across the state and nation.
Every attempt has been made to identify those groups who support the festival through media exposure. Our apologies to any organization left off this list.