

Dear Friend,

Military families continue to face long separations due to deployments and duty assignments, and no one feels it more deeply than their children. Frequent moves, disrupted routines, and the absence of a parent take a real toll on their emotional and academic well-being.

One of the most heartbreaking losses? Storytime.

Because of United Through Reading, children won't miss those cherished moments. Thanks to supporters like you, over 35,000 military family members in San Diego alone have stayed connected through recorded storytime, bringing comfort and closeness, even across continents.

We invite you to support our mission by donating a product or service for our silent auction at this year's Storybook Ball on *Saturday, October 4, at Vesper Venue in San Diego*. This special evening brings together senior military leaders, corporate supporters, and military families to raise critical funds. It will include moving stories from those we serve, remarks from a Military Guest of Honor, and the Audrey Geisel Friend of Military Children Award presentation.

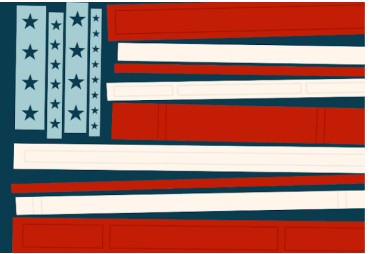
All contributions are tax-deductible (EIN: **33-0373000**), and every gift helps preserve the bedtime rituals that mean so much to military families.

Thank you for considering this opportunity to give back to the children who serve in their own special way, without ever wearing a uniform. For questions or to contribute, please contact Auction Chair Emily Foster at emilyfoster@utr.org or (858) 481-7323 x722.

With heartfelt thanks,

Sally Ann Zoll
Chief Executive Officer (Interim)

Carrie Valentine Fuller
VP of Advancement



Auction and Gift In-Kind Donation Form

Please submit this form with each gift.

Feel free to attach or include any additional information about this item/service. We invite you to share brochures, business cards, or other promotional materials you wish to display next to your item at the event.

DONATION NAME _____

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(dollar amount required for tax purposes)

FORM OF DONATION: ☐ Actual Item ☐ Certificate/Letter

DESCRIPTION OF DONATED ITEM OR SERVICE

(please include any restrictions, if applicable)

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No donations will be returned unless authorized by the Board of Directors of United Through Reading.

SIGNATURE _____ **DATE** _____

For questions about contributing items or to submit a form, email giving@utr.org.

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