



Mitzvah Project



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Hello! I'm so excited for my bar mitzvah and to see everyone!

A mitzvah is a “commandment” in Hebrew.

As Jews, we are “commanded” to improve to world. I hope to improve the world by collecting books for an affordable housing complex located in Rochester called Rochester Highlands. There are about 300 kids under 16 that live there and they come from many cultures and histories. Many/most of them do not have the capabilities to buy and access books, which is affecting their future in many ways.

To try and fix this problem, at least for these 300 kids, I have decided that my mitzvah project will be to collect culturally diverse books for these children, and to help fill in a newly constructed library there with culturally diverse books. Please donate books that are in a condition you would like to receive books in, and to help this we have chosen a locally owned, independent bookstore called Hipocampo Children's Books. There are several ways that you can help:

1. You can drop off new and gently used culturally diverse books to a collection box at Temple Beth El or at the JCC.
2. You can make a purchase of books or make a contribution to be used towards books at Hipocampo Children's Books, a local bookstore in Rochester.

Thank you, and I look forward to sharing pictures of how the library turned out!

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