Laundromat Reading and Resource Areas

In January of 2020 Parent and Child Reading Assistance installed Reading and Resource areas at BYO Laundry and Bogart’s Laundry in Billings, Montana thanks to a mini grant through Best Beginnings of Yellowstone County. Book boxes were added to four other locations in 2020. Information about Bright by Text, Montana 211, Billings Public Library, and a video link to information about Building Your Baby’s Brain are shared in the areas.

The areas are restocked by Michelle Breum. More books are collected from community donations or purchased by Michelle. The owner at BYO Laundry said the books are being used and really appreciated. The manager at Bogart’s Laundry said the books and area have been popular.

Books families can use and take home are at these local laundromats:

Big Sky Bubbles (formerly Bogart's Laundry) 1902 Broadwater Ave.
BYO Laundry 45 Broadwater Ave.
Lockwood Laundry 2750 Old Hardin Rd
Spin Fresh Laundry 1902 Grand Ave.
Spin Fresh Laundry 3189 King Avenue West
Spin Fresh Laundry 410 Lake Elmo Dr.

There are about 50-100 books for babies to teens at each laundromat and currently about 200 books are going home with families each month. In 2020 about 1200 books were replaced and in 2021 about 2600 books were replaced. You can contact Michelle 406-671-3530 to donate books.