







BEST BEGINNINGS

Alaska's Early Childhood Investment

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Science, Babies, and Families - a Winning Combination

You've probably heard people say babies are like blank slates, just waiting to be filled up with knowledge. I thought that, too, until our first baby was born. It became pretty obvious quite soon that this tiny creature was already making a big impact on her world. Filmmaker Estela Renner's new documentary, *The Beginning of Life*, is based on 30 years of

scientific research. She says, "When kids are born, they're already little scientists exploring the world." Read more.

We Are Hiring!

Join our team! Best Beginnings is hiring a part-time Projects Manager.

The Projects Manager provides management, support, and coordination for the 90% by 2020 Kindergarten Ready Collaborative Action Network as well as administrative support for Best Beginnings.

Resumes will be accepted until July 8, 2016. Check out the <u>job</u> <u>description</u> for more information.

Support Best Beginnings: Re-enroll in Fred Meyer Community Rewards before July 1st.



Supporting Best Beginnings while you shop is as easy as 1-2-3!

- Access your Fred Meyer Rewards Card account by going to Fred Meyer's Website.
- 2. Select Best Beginnings as the organization your card will be linked to.
- 3. Shop at Fred Meyer!

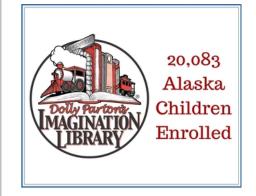
When you link your Fred Meyer Rewards Card to Best Beginnings,

DONATE NOW Secure donations through Network for Good

Your investment in early childhood is one of the best ways to help:

- Children learn and grow
- Parents connect with their children
- Families connect with their communities

EVERY gift matters.



In July, 20,083 Alaska children will find a new, high-quality, age-appropriate book in their mailbox!

- 38% of all the children under 5 in the state
- 29 local Imagination Libraries
- 104 Alaska communities
- \$30 per child per year

Local Imagination Libraries and Best Beginnings are working hard to raise the money needed to keep the books coming. every time you shop you earn a donation for Best Beginnings and support the children of Alaska.

Already enrolled? All customers must re-enroll before July 1st or Best Beginnings will be automatically unlinked from your Rewards Card.

Not yet enrolled? Take this opportunity to <u>sign up</u> for this program and support Best Beginnings today!



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