



Friends of the  
Reston  
Regional  
Library

## DONATIONS

**Two boxes per day,  
between 10am and 3pm**

The Friends are happy to accept donations of used books in very good, saleable condition! We want to find a home for your books, but we have to be able to store and sell them.

*Please NO books with highlights, underlining, torn pages, water, mildew, animal, or smoke damage.*

### YES, PLEASE - DO DONATE

- New books, Best sellers, coffee-table
- Art, Architecture, History, Philosophy, Science
- Books for Young Adults, Children, and Educators
- Collectible books, Antiquarian items, prior to 1950
- Cookbooks (very recent or favorite classics)
- Non-English Books: Non-fiction only; educational books such as dictionaries, language learning, "Berlitz", word concepts, etc.
- General Magazines--Prior to 1960 or < 3 months old
- Good condition Puzzles or Games (all the pieces!) – give to librarians at desk
- Media—CDs, DVDs, Audio books on CD ; Great Courses
- Recent (typically last 5 years) Educational books, Text books, Test-Prep materials (no high school or college foreign language text books, please)
- Specialty Magazines--up to 12 months old (e.g., Architectural Digest or Saveur)

### NO, THANK YOU

- NO VHS tapes, audio cassettes, or phonograph / vinyl records
- NO Self-Help/Medical more than 3 years old
- NO Travel Books more than 3 years old
- NO maps, atlases, TripTiks, etc.
- NO National Geographic, Smithsonian, oversized magazines, or free/membership magazines (AARP, AAA, etc.)
- NO Reminders from yard sales, rummage sales, etc.

## DONATION FAQs

- **Can I leave donations at the library if the library is closed or if the sign says donations are closed?**  
Nope. Unattended boxes will be tossed due to safety concerns.
- **When are donations closed?** We close when space is not available, when we are prepping for or recovering from our big sales, and from mid-December to early January, to give our volunteers a holiday.
- **What do you do with donated books?** First, we identify any books from the Library's wish list and pass those on directly to the library. We process the rest for sale at one of our sales. Unsold books after our sales are offered to other Friends groups.
- **Are my donations tax deductible?** Contributions are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law. Donations cannot be reclaimed or returned. Please check your donations carefully. FRRL is not responsible for misplaced items.

## Puzzles and Games

Please give boxes to a librarian at the circulation desk.

## Large Donations or Specialty Items

For large donations, household, estate collections, retirement, specialty collections, fragile items, ephemera, etc. please email us at [RestonFriendsPR@gmail.com](mailto:RestonFriendsPR@gmail.com).





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