DONATION POLICY

Bozeman Public Library is grateful for gifts of books, periodicals, DVDs, music CDs, audio books and other materials which are an important supplement to our collection. You may drop off donations at the Circulation Desk when the Library is open. Patrons often have questions about donations of used materials:

How do you determine if the book is in good physical condition?

Books with brittle pages, mildew damage, or torn and/or missing pages will not be added to the library collection.

Does the Library need textbooks?

Textbooks are generally not accepted unless they are recent publications of popular subjects.

Does the Library need encyclopedias?

Encyclopedia sets are generally not accepted unless they are historical or considered a collectible.

Does the Library accept audio/video materials?

Yes, we want DVDs, music CDs and audiobooks. We no longer accept phonograph records.

Does the Library want back issues of magazines?

Yes, if they are titles to which the library subscribes. If the library does not need to replace missing issues, current magazines will be placed on a free material table in the lobby.

Does the Library accept antique books?

The Library welcomes donations of antique and collectible books most of which will be priced according to actual value and be sold at the Friends of the Library's used book sale.

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