

Gulfport Public Library Donation Policy

The Gulfport Public Library encourages the interest and involvement of the community and accepts donations that support and further the mission, goals, and objectives of the library. The library is an active resource for the community and we encourage our patrons to donate gently used materials to the library. Library staff will process the materials and research whether or not they are appropriate for the collection. All materials not added to the library collection are given to the Circle of Friends of the Library to sell in the Circle Bookshop, donate to another organization, or discard them. 100% of the proceeds of those sales are used toward library programming, material purchases, and other needs of the library.

Therefore, the library has established the following guidelines on accepted donations.

The library accepts new or gently used:

- Hardcover and paperback books
- DVDs, CDs and audiobooks
- Weekly magazines that are less than 2 months old
- Monthly magazines that are less than one year old
- Textbooks that have been published within the last 4 years

The library cannot accept the following donated items:

- Torn, damaged or moldy materials
- VHS or audio cassettes
- Encyclopedias
- Newspapers

The library will accept donated materials during normal business hours. If you have a large donation, please call and schedule an appointment when there will be staff or volunteers available to assist you.

All donated materials become the property of the Gulfport Public Library. The library cannot appraise the value of donated materials; however, the library is able to provide a standardized receipt for tax purposes upon request. We thank you for your support of the library.