

Library Giving Day

Message from the Director

April 6 is [Library Giving Day](#) - a one-day fundraising event to encourage library-lovers across the nation to support their public libraries. This year, donations to the Foundation will be invested in Pierce County Library System's Outreach Services.

Library programs, services, and resources have been a lifeline for many impacted by the pandemic and by the changing economy. For individuals living in or near poverty, getting to the library or accessing the internet may be a challenge. To help eliminate these barriers to access, the Library's Outreach Services team hits the road, meeting people where they are.

Your Library Giving Day donations help enhance Outreach Services programs such as:

- The Bookmobile
- Summer Reading
- Free Book Giveaway Events
- Visits to homebound customers and assisted living facilities

Make your gift this Library Giving Day to invest in Outreach Services - bringing the library to those who need it most.

As things begin to return to "normal", we know that the year ahead will be a time of transition - and that the Library will be here for us - and that you will be here for our Library.

Thank you,

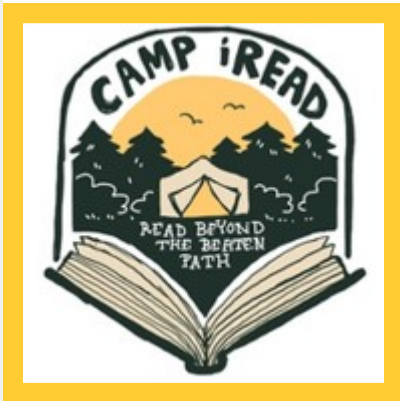


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Foundation Director

Click a book to make your Library Giving Day donation!



Outreach Services

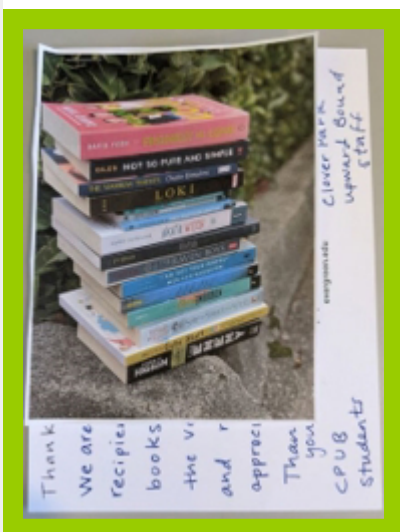
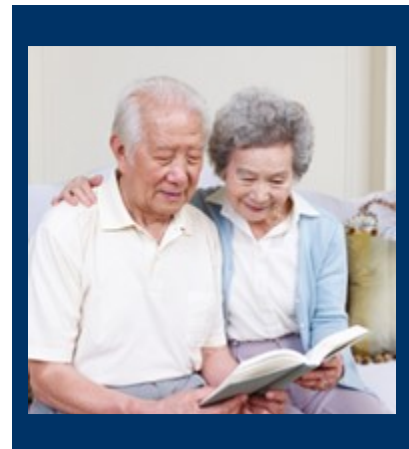


Summer Reading

Last year, more than 1,300 children visited the Bookmobile to pick up reading logs, choose their next book, or select prizes for completing Summer Reading activities. Increasing access to books also helps combat the summer slide; where children lose some of the achievement gains they made during the previous school year.

On the Road

Meeting customers where they are, Outreach Services visits homebound customers, assisted living facilities and senior apartments. More than a delivery service or a chance to find a new book, regular visits to these sites build relationships with often-isolated individuals in our communities. Last year, Library Staff made connections with more than 200 customers on 15 routes – delivering over 20,000 books, movies, cds, magazines, and more!



Book Giveaway Events

In addition to bringing smiles to young faces, studies have shown that increasing access to books leads to more reading – which in turn improves vocabulary and writing skills. Having books in the home leads to more reading, improved vocabulary, and writing skills.



MATCHING CHALLENGE

Thanks to a generous library-lover, gifts from NEW Donors will be matched 1:1, up to \$10,000!



[Tax Help Flyer](#)

The Library helps connect people with information and resources that help navigate life's challenges - like taxes. Visit the [Library's website](#) to find free programs to prepare and file your taxes.

Click the button for information on where to find free, virtual, in-person appointments, and no-appointment tax assistance.



Investing in Youth Outreach

The Dudley T. Foundation

\$500 Grant for Giveaway Books

The Dudley T. Dougherty Foundation's purpose is to make a critical difference on the planet and respect an ever-changing world through support of projects addressing art, community, education, environment, health care, and/or peace.

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