

The Lodi Memorial Library Book Donation Policy

The Lodi Memorial Library appreciates donations of new and lightly used books and media in excellent condition. Selected items may be added to the library's collection, sold through The Friends of Lodi Memorial Library's ongoing book sale, or recycled as the Library deems proper. All proceeds from the Friends book sale are used to enhance library programs and services.

Donated items will be accepted at the front desk: items may not be left outside the library, in the book drop or on the floor by the book sale racks. Due to storage limitations, we are able to accept only 1-2 donation containers per patron on an ongoing basis. Larger donations are welcome during the month prior to the Friends semi-annual book sales in May and October.

At the patron's request, we will provide a receipt stating the number of items donated, but we cannot assess a monetary value to the donation as per IRS tax laws.

Acceptable Items for donation:

- Hardcover and paperback books in good condition, both fiction and non-fiction, for children, teens and adults in English and Spanish (*10 years old or less, see copyright*)
- DVDs , audiobooks on CD, and music CDs (*5 years old or less*)
- Books about Lodi or New Jersey history in good condition

We cannot use:

- Technology, health, travel, finance or technical books (*over 4 years old, see copyright*)
- Magazines, newspapers, journals, and books discarded from other libraries
- Computer software or computer manuals
- Books that have been highlighted, written in or are in need of repair
- College textbooks, encyclopedias, condensed books (such as Reader's Digest)
- Videos, books on tape, or music on tape cassettes

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