

Spreading Literacy Throughout Santa Clara

"The primary goal of our book sales is to raise money for the Santa Clara City Library," says executive director JoAnn Davis, "but we ultimately want to get the donated books into the hands of children, families, and the people who want them." A study published in Social Science Research in January 2019 found a correlation between the number of books in a home library



and higher levels of both literacy and numeracy in adulthood. It also leads to a lifetime of knowledge seeking. The benefits increase at 80 books at home, and seem to level off at around 350.

This issue of our newsletter shows what happens to your book, movie, and music donations after you bring them to the library (see graphic inside). And indeed, we sell books for only a couple of dollars apiece. That is a bargain for anyone looking to expand their home library. It also allows us to raise tens of thousands of dollars for the library. But not all donated books are sold. Additionally, not everyone in the community can make it to our book sales.

We partner with other community organizations to get books to readers of all ages, including:

> - The Rotary Club of Santa Clara hosts an annual Christmas for Kids program, which we are delighted to donate books to. The children can select the books they want to read.





- Readers of all ages can find books at Free Little Libraries located at fire stations throughout Santa Clara.
- The Santa Clara Schools Foundation,the Rotary Club of Santa Clara, and the SCUSD's Family Resource Center partner to host Steps for Success.

Steps for Success is a program that helps students get new shoes as well as take home as many donated books as they want.

These partnering organizations, as well as others, allow us to get books into the hands of people who need them. All of this work, including supporting our world class public library, supports our mission of enriching life-long learning in Silicon Valley.



Santa Clara City Library Hours			
	Central Park Library 2635 Homestead Rd	Mission Branch Library 1098 Lexington St	Northside Library 695 Moreland Way
Monday	10 AM - 6 PM	9 AM - 5 PM	10 AM - 6 PM
Tuesday	10 AM - 7 PM	11 AM - 7 PM	10 AM - 7 PM
Wednesday	10 AM - 7 PM	9 AM - 5 PM	10 AM - 6 PM
Thursday	10 AM - 7 PM	9 AM - 5 PM	10 AM - 7 PM
Friday	10 AM - 6 PM	9 AM - 5 PM	10 AM - 6 PM
Saturday	10 AM - 4 PM	9 AM - 4 PM	10 AM - 4 PM
Sunday	1 PM - 5 PM	closed	closed





Thanking our Fabulous Volunteers

The Santa Clara City Library Foundation and Friends wouldn't be able to support the library, sell books, and support high literacy levels throughout Silicon Valley without our volunteers! Over 100 volunteers donate their time across our organization.

Please join us in thanking them for all of the ways we all come together to spread a love of reading, books, and literacy in Santa Clara!







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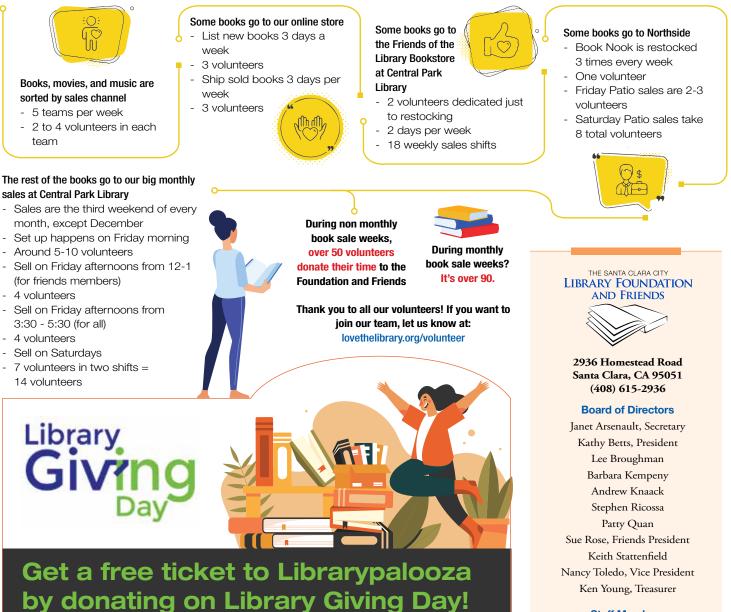
What happens to the donated books?



60,000+ books are donated to the Santa Clara City Library Foundation and Friends every year. It takes over 100 volunteers to sort and sell them, to raise money for the Santa Clara City Library.

Books come in from the library and from our community

The librarians take some for the collection, and we sell the rest to raise money for library programs



Get a free ticket to Librarypalooza when you donate \$500 or more on Library Giving Day, Tuesday April 1. Join your community and support literacy and education in Santa Clara and Silicon Valley.

Your tax dollars support the Santa Clara City Library, but your donations to the Foundation and Friends allow the library to take its services further - to explore, change, and innovate to meet the needs of our community. You can donate many ways:

- With your credit card on our website
- Set up a monthly donation online
- By writing a check
- Via stock
- By donating your vehicle

All are welcome! And, if you donate \$500 or more, you'll get a free ticket to Librarypalooza to celebrate with your fellow library lovers!

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Support Literacy at Librarypalooza

You can help the Santa Clara City Library Foundation and Friends support literacy and the Santa Clara City Library by joining us at Librarypalooza, our annual fundraising gala. Meet other library lovers as we all raise money together to support programs like Summer Adventure, Comic Con, and more in Santa Clara.

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Join us on April 5, starting at 5pm at the Triton Museum of Art, as we fundraise for and celebrate literacy, education, and the Santa Clara City

Library! Tickets are on sale now, please visit lovethelibrary.org/







