

BOOK DONATIONS

Due to limited space and time to go through donations, we do not accept donations of materials. We only accept donations of books written by Pickering authors (see “Local Author/Creator Collection Policy”: <https://pickeringlibrary.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/76/2023/02/Library-Policy-P20-Local-Author-Creator-Collection.pdf>) or material of local interest that would go to the Local History and Genealogy Librarian.

If a client wishes to donate books, please refer them to the following organizations:

- The **Canadian Diabetes Association** (905-720-3543 or 1-800-505-5525) will accept a boxed donation of books, but no magazines, encyclopedias or school textbooks. Please give them two to three days notice for pickup. Maximum 10 boxes (not too heavy to lift to chest height).
- The **Salvation Army Thrift Store** (905-839-2623) accepts books but no encyclopedias or textbooks. Drop-off only (Pickering: 1360 Kingston Rd.: Liverpool & Glenanna).
- **Value Village** (905-420-1445) accepts donations and those who donate receive a 10% discount at Value Village: 645 Kingston Rd.
- **Second Life Books** (647-689-6066 or info@secondlifebooks.net) will pick up boxes of books from people’s homes for free and then donate to the community or sell. Serving the GTA. More info at www.secondlifebooks.net.
- **Talize Thrift Store** (905-233-2640). 1615 Dundas St. E., Whitby
- **Bayfair Daycare** (905-839-1842) will accept donations of children’s books. (Christian-based daycare: no Halloween, Wizardry or Magic books). Will pick up or you may drop off (817 Kingston Rd, Pickering.).
- **The New Friends BookShop**. (all proceeds to charities for abused women and troubled youth). Will also take DVDs, CDs and vinyl records. (call for pick up: 289-314-6096; 520 Westney Road South, Ajax). Open 11-4 Tues-Sat.
- Many schools in the **Durham Catholic School Board** will accept donations. Please call for confirmation before you donate to specific schools. A listing of schools can be found here: <https://www.dcdsb.ca/modules/Facilities/Index.aspx>
- **Durham Region Works Department** has Re-Use Days where the public can drop off items, including books to the Waste Management Centre. (4600 Garrard Rd, Whitby) The items will be donated to Habitat for Humanity ReStores (Ajax, Oshawa and Uxbridge locations), and one of the following organizations: Canadian Diabetes Association or the Salvation Army. More information can be found at www.durham.ca/works and clicking on “Community Events”.

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