



Friends of the Library

Monterey Park Bruggemeyer Library

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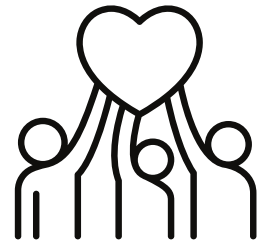
Thank You

We, the Friends Board, would like to show our appreciation for those of you who have:

- Joined as an official member of the Friends
- Donated materials to the Friends Bookstore for resale
- Purchased something in the Friends Bookstore
- Registered as a Friend of the Library with the Ralphs Community Contribution Program

If you have done any of these, you have helped the Friends contribute funds to help pay for activities in the Library. You can see what some of these programs have been listed below.

If you are not an official member of the Friends, you can become one simply by filling out a membership application and contributing any amount you wish as a membership donation. Thank you for your support.



SOMETHING NEW

Junior Friends: Who We Are

An offshoot of the Friends of the Library, Junior Friends is a teen volunteer group at the Monterey Park Bruggemeyer Library. We encourage teens ages 14-18 to connect with others in the community, participate in city-held events and volunteer at the Monterey Park Bruggemeyer Library in teen and children's services. We also assist with City events including the Monster Mash, Snow Village and Spring Egg Hunt. Junior Friends meetings take place on the second and fourth Tuesdays of every month at 4:30 p.m. in the Friends Room. To join Junior Friends, teens can pick up an application at the Reference Desk or download one at montereypark.ca.gov/290/Junior-Friends.



Officers

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Your Donations at Work

Friends of the Library Contributions Supporting Library Programs

January 2023	Tween Program (Nintendo Switch gaming console and accessories)	\$650
	1000 Books Before Kindergarten	\$615
	Summer Reading Program Activities Prizes	\$150
	Library Branded Giveaways	\$540
February 2023	Summer Reading Program Performers	\$1,600
	Pride Festival Photo Booth	\$525
	Zip Books Program	\$1,000
March 2023	Library Branded Giveaways 2023-2024	\$1,712.34
	Zip Books Program	\$1000
April 2023	Mental Health Resource Fair Giveaways	\$175
	2023 Pride Panel Discussion	\$400
	Craft Supplies Mental Health Month	\$200
	Graduation Gifts for Jr. Friends	\$200
	Children Summer Reading Program	\$1000
	Zip Books Program	\$250
May 2023	Zip Books Program	\$1000
June 2023	Zip Books Program	\$1000
	Cricut cutting machine for Children's Services	\$1000
		\$300
		Total: \$13,317.34

Join or Renew your Membership

Please consider giving to support the exciting programs provided by the Library for all ages from toddlers to seniors. By becoming a member of the Friends of the Library, you automatically contribute to continuing these programs. To join or renew your current membership, fill out the application card that is available in the Library. The card also invites you to donate money as a member. It can be any amount that you feel comfortable with. You can also volunteer your services to the Library. Whatever time you can give will be welcomed. Please return the completed application card to on of the public desks. You can also mail the card to the Library. Remember, your involvement contributes to the greater success of the Library!

Support the Friends Bookstore

We invite you to stop by the Friends Bookstore and participate in the sales, especially the seasonal ones. All proceeds support the Library's activities and programs. All of the materials for sale are donated by the public, so your donations of books, magazines and DVDs in good condition are always appreciated. You can also volunteer to help in the Bookstore by contacting the Library and filling out an application. If you volunteer, you will be required to be undergo a fingerprint check before you begin.

Friends Ralphs Program



There is an easy, cost-free way to help the Friends and the Library. Do you shop at Ralphs Supermarket and have a Rewards card? Just go online and register your card and designate the Friends of the Library of Monterey Park as the recipient of the percentage of your purchases that Ralphs donates to the group. Visit <https://www.ralphs.com/i/community/community-contribution-program>. The Friends of the Library of Monterey Park Non-Profit Organization (NPO) # is 82846. If you have already registered for the program, please do not try to re-register. Thank you for your support!