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Contra Costa County Library
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Library's annual book giveaway includes thousands of books

The Contra Costa County Library is hosting its annual book giveaway from July 16 – 20.

Tens of thousands of paperback and hardcover fiction, non-fiction and children's books from the 26 Contra Costa County community libraries are available to the public during the 5-day giveaway.

The book giveaway is located in the shipping and receiving area behind the Pleasant Hill Library and runs Tuesday, July 16 through Saturday, July 20 from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

All books available at the giveaway have been removed from the library collection due to lack of circulation, poor condition or relevance. The process for removal is done in accordance with the Contra Costa County Library Collection Development Plan. The full plan is available at ccclib.org.

“Removing materials is standard practice for libraries and helps patrons to easily locate books and discover new items,” says County Librarian Melinda Cervantes. “Collection maintenance helps staff to identify gaps and create space on our shelves for new materials.”

A September 1998 resolution, signed by the County Board of Supervisors, allows the library system to declare outdated and damaged library materials as surplus and give them away as appropriate.

Books are available on a first-come, first-served basis and members of the public are advised to bring their own boxes or bags to transport materials.

WHAT: Contra Costa County Library Annual Book Giveaway

**WHEN: Tuesday, July 16 – Saturday, July 20
9 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.**

**WHERE: Pleasant Hill Library, Shipping and Receiving Area
75 Santa Barbara Road
Pleasant Hill, CA 94523**

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