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Fine ForGIVING Returns to the Library

Natchitoches, LA, September 30, 2020 –The Natchitoches Parish Library’s (NPL) “Fine ForGIVING” program will begin October 1 and run through the end of the year. The NPL will be offering an opportunity for patrons to give back to the community while simultaneously reducing fines on their accounts. This year’s program has been expanded and will allow for donations, of several types, through December.

Patrons can donate canned goods, which must be clean, unexpired, and at least 8 ounces, for a \$2 reduction in fines per can. Donations will be given to local food banks, which see increased use during the holiday season. New and gently used jackets can be donated for a \$15 reduction per jacket. These will be donated to the Natchitoches Parish Fire Department for local distribution. The NPL will also be accepting dog and cat food for a \$2 reduction per can and \$5 per 5 pounds of dry food, to be given to the Natchitoches Humane Society. New and Unopened toys will be accepted for a \$10 reduction and will be given to the Natchitoches Parish Sheriff’s Department. The above fine reductions may only be applied to overdue or late fines, not lost or damaged items, and other account charges.

For those with lost or damaged item charges (excluding laptops, mobile hotspots, and launchpads) the NPL will also be accepting new or gently used costumes for a \$15 reduction. If only a partial costume (mask/cape/etc.) is donated, \$5 will be deducted from the account. This can be applied towards overdue fines, late fines, and non-electronic lost or damaged item charges. Costumes will be cleaned and circulated at the NPL next October.

All items may be donated at any Circulation Desk at the Main Branch (Natchitoches) or Northeast Branch (Campti) of the library. If you have any questions about donating in this year’s Fine ForGIVING event, you may call the NPL circulation desk at 318.238.9224.

PHOTOS:

-NPL LOGO.jpg

-FineForGivingGENERAL.jpg

About the Natchitoches Parish Library

Knowledge. Connection. Community. The Natchitoches Parish Library serves the public and community through its competent and friendly staff by providing services and programs aimed at meeting the

informational, recreational, and educational needs of our patrons. We seek to provide a beneficial and usable collection of information and activities to connect Natchitoches Parish residents to the world.