

How Do We Choose?

Have you ever wondered how books and other materials are selected to be on our library shelves? Local libraries make their own decisions about what to add to the collection. Our Collection Development policy states that acquisition decisions should be based on things like relevance to community needs, suitability of format for library use, relation to the existing collection, patron requests, and cost.

We often consider buying an item that has been requested by a patron. Usually this request is factored with an estimate of general community interest and with the cost criteria. If an item is likely to be of interest to others in the community we will consider purchasing it. Otherwise, we may get the item on interlibrary loan for the patron, but not purchase a copy for the library.

We will almost automatically purchase books by authors known to be popular with our users.

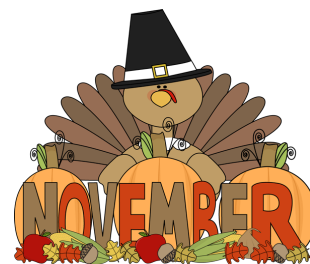
Some materials are purchased in response to collection needs. For example, we may find that a subject is underrepresented, and materials may be purchased to correct this deficiency.

Because librarians do not have the time to read or view every item published (over a million each year in the US!) we rely on trusted review sources to help us make decisions.



UCSLD Inservice Day

Twice each year, Umatilla County Special Library District hosts a staff inservice day. The next one is Friday, November 5. All libraries in the county will be closed that day, and all staff members will attend the training. For safety during the pandemic, it will be a Zoom meeting. This is an opportunity for staff to gain valuable training on various topics, without the expense of travel outside our area. Thank you for your patience as we strive to improve library service to our communities!



- **11/2 Library Board**
5 pm (Library)
- **11/5 Training Day** (Library Closed)
- **11/11 Veteran's Day** (Library Closed)
- **11/18 Novel Readers**
5 pm (Library)
- **Storytime**
Fridays 10 am (Library)

New at the Library

Another Kind of Eden, fiction by James Lee Burke

Count the Ways, fiction by Joyce Maynard

The Wish, fiction by Nicholas Sparks

The Guide, fiction by Peter Heller

How To Find A Bird, children's fiction by Jennifer Ward