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FRIENDS OF THE
LIBRARY



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Vibrant libraries create vibrant communities— even during the COVID-19 pandemic

The COVID-19 pandemic has driven library staff to retrench and think creatively about how to deliver services to patrons safely. While several library services have been suspended during the pandemic, the library remains an important community resource for information, homework help, research assistance, internet access, and entertainment for youth and adults.

To keep patrons safe, the library is now offering curbside pickup and “grab-and-go services.” New learning resources are now available online such as “Ask a Librarian” and “Homework Help.” Plus, patrons can also check out music, e-books, and audio books online via apps such as Axis 360, Overdrive, Hoopla, and Tumblebooks.

Your Friends Membership and special donations are needed to help the Library during this unusual time

The St. Cloud Friends of the Library is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization that raises funds to enhance the programming, physical building, and collection of the St. Cloud Public Library and all the branches in the Great River Regional Library System in Central Minnesota.

In a normal year, we raise approximately \$50,000 by operating the Friends Bookstore and holding special book sales, fundraisers, and membership drives. We use these funds to fulfill the library’s ongoing requests to support important programs such as the Summer and Winter Reading Programs, the Summer Lunch Program, the Community Garden, and more. Unfortunately, due to COVID-19 restrictions, the Friends Bookstore is temporarily closed, and our other fundraising activities have been suspended. Thus, your donations are needed now more than ever!

Please donate today to help us support library programs—including on-line homework help and the digital collection of e-books, audio books, and other remote services that are particularly important during this time of social distancing. (Your membership dollars and any other donations to the Friends of the Library are tax-deductible. The membership year is January 1 – December 31, 2021.)

Yes, I want to help the St. Cloud Friends of the Library!

**Donate, Renew your Membership, or Become a New Member
at the level that works for you!** (Check one.)

\$100 \$50 \$30 \$20 \$15 \$_____

First Name: _____

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Please complete and return with your check payable to:

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Volunteer

The St. Cloud Friends of the Library is managed and operated by a team of dedicated volunteers. Want to learn more about volunteering in 2021? Check the volunteer opportunities that interest you below. Our volunteer coordinator will contact you with more information.

- Book Store Sorting Room Board of Directors
 Book Sales Fundraisers Membership
 Other _____

Donate Books and More in 2021

The Friends Bookstore is staffed by volunteers and stocked with donated books and other merchandise. While the bookstore is currently closed, check our web site or Facebook page for updates on when we will resume accepting books, magazines, and other media donations.

Spread the Word

Encourage your friends and family to donate to the St. Cloud Friends of the Library. (The Friends Bookstore is conveniently located inside the Great River Regional Library in St. Cloud.)