



SALEM PUBLIC LIBRARY FOUNDATION

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Estate Gifts Have Impact

The generosity of an anonymous donor remembering the Salem Public Library Foundation in her trust allowed us to provide brand new furniture for the West Salem Branch Library in early May 2017.

West Salem and the services it provides were very important to this kind donor. Her gift brought meaningful improvements with modern furnishings for reading, computer use and library material access. Adding comfortable, commercial grade chairs and tables allowed the branch to create spaces that are more conducive to modern technology with appropriate table heights, mounted computers and electronic charging stations. The patrons, staff and Foundation are all grateful to this very special friend for leaving a legacy that so many will enjoy.

Have You Ever Thought About Including the Foundation in Your Will or Trust?

The language of a bequest is important, but it does not need to be complex. Here is an example: "I hereby give and bequeath _____ (a specific gift or a percentage of the residue of my estate) to the Salem Public Library Foundation whose legal address is P.O. Box 325, Salem Oregon 97308, Tax ID 93-0799658, for such purposes as the Salem Public Library Foundation shall determine are in the best interest of Salem Public Library."

You can ask your attorney or accountant about the potential tax benefits for you and your family of including charitable organizations in your will or trust. We hope you will consider including the Foundation in your plans.

Watch for the Salem Reads 2018 Book Title Announcement!

We are in the final stages of engaging the author of our chosen book. We hope to announce the title in mid-June.

Foundation Art

You may not have known that the Salem Public Library Foundation is the proud curator of a collection of artwork by well-known Northwest artists. Our goal has been to provide the public an opportunity to view quality artwork free of charge. The collection displays the Foundation's commitment to the cultural and artistic life of Salem.

Recently, the Foundation Art Committee happily honored Mayor Bennett's request to borrow two pieces of Foundation artwork to be featured in his office. He requested "Willamette Valley" by Carl Hall and "Green Grass River" by Sue-Del McCulloch, both pastoral valley scenes. These items were installed in late April with the aid and expertise of the Salem Public Art Commission's talented members. Thank you.

Donations can be made online at splfoundation.org, or checks can be mailed to:

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The Salem Public Library Foundation is dedicated to generating resources in support of the Salem Public Library. Please consider monthly sustaining gifts, support of special projects, and including the Foundation in your estate plans (Federal Tax ID #93-0799658). More information on donation options is available from Kate Van Ummersen, Executive Director of the Salem Public Library Foundation, at 503-588-6183 or SalemLibraryFoundation@gmail.com.