



# Friends of the Redwood City Public Library

Spring 2025

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## Spring at the Library

National Library Week is April 6 – 12. This annual celebration highlights the valuable role libraries, librarians, and library workers play in strengthening our communities and transforming lives. Public libraries are community hubs that bring people together and close the opportunity gap by connecting people to essential services and resources.

Spring is a wonderful time to celebrate our libraries and attend some of their wonderful programs:

### Interested in sustainability?

There will be three STEAM programs for children 9 – 12 on sustainability (3/29), water cycle (4/26), and the greenhouse effect (5/24), all at 2 p.m. For adults, there will be a program on reducing kitchen waste with Zero-Waste Chef Anne-Marie Bonneau on 3/29 and another on firescaping your home with two CSU Chico professors on 4/5. Plus, enjoy a Phase2Careers program on careers for a sustainable world on 4/24 and an Earth Day screen printing workshop on 4/22.

Another great spring program will be a preview of Edgewood Natural Preserve on 4/12.

In April and May, the Downtown Library will be hosting the *Lost Childhoods Art Exhibit*, an evocative display that sheds light on the struggles faced by foster youth in the child welfare system. There will be several programs associated with this exhibition:

- 4/10 at 6 p.m.: Hype & Hope: Igniting Youth and Community Spirit
- 4/14 at 6 p.m.: California's Forgotten Children Documentary and Discussion
- 4/18 at 5 p.m.: Living Out Loud: A Night of Spoken Word

Thursday, April 10, of National Library Week is Take Action for Libraries Day. With the likelihood of upcoming federal and state funding cuts, write a letter to the Redwood City Council to show your love for our library and advocate for increased funding!

*Library programs funded by Friends!*



## Traveling Storytime

The Traveling Storytime program is a service of the Library's Youth Services department. Volunteers with the program read and engage with children in daycare centers and preschools throughout Redwood City once weekly.

The program introduces children to the wonders of a book and the joy of storytelling. The library provides training to the volunteers and has bags of books and materials by topic for the volunteers to use (plus a huge array of additional books and supplies).

Do you enjoy being with children and reading to them? **The Traveling Storytime program is actively recruiting for volunteers!** Email Pam Evans at [pevans@redwoodcity.org](mailto:pevans@redwoodcity.org) if you are interested!

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- Junior member, under 18 years old - \$10
- Friends - \$15
- Patrons - \$25
- Librarian's Circle - \$50
- Benefactors - \$100 or more

If you wish to make the gift in honor of a friend or loved one:

We will acknowledge 2025 Librarian's Circle and Benefactor levels in our spring 2026 Newsletter.

- Check this box if you wish for your donation to be listed as Anonymous.

Please make checks payable to Friends of the Redwood City Public Library, or **donate at our website:** [www.friendsofrwclibrary.org](http://www.friendsofrwclibrary.org)

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**Please return to:**  
**1044 Middlefield Road**  
**Redwood City, CA 94063**

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### Material Donation Events ~Just Drive Up and Drop Off~

**When:** Third Saturday of the Month  
**Where:**

Location 1: Behind the Downtown Library at 1044 Middlefield Road, 10 a.m. to Noon

Location 2: In the Parking Lot of Redwood Shores Library at 399 Marine Parkway, 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

**Wanted Items:** Books, CDs, DVDs in very good condition. Puzzles (if complete), Videogames, and Albums accepted as well.

**Do Not Bring:** Anything dirty or more than slightly worn. No Magazines, Encyclopedias, VHS or Cassette Tapes, Hardback Adult Fiction if older than 3 years.

Please bring items in bags or boxes that you will leave. Every donor will be required to load the bags or boxes onto carts. Thank you!

*Material Donations have been down recently. Please consider some spring cleaning and donate at our next event, Saturday, April 19!!!*

