

## Friends FAQs

### What is the Friends of the Library?

The Friends of the Greenville County Library is a non-profit organization that raises funds to enhance library programs and services and purchase materials for the Greenville County Library System.

### What are the benefits of joining the Friends of the Library?

Members:

- Receive the Library System's Access newsletter in the mail
- May attend members-only opening nights of the Friends Book Sales
- Receive a 10% discount on all purchases at the Friends Shop in the Hughes Main Library
- Have the satisfaction of enhancing our community through the support of the library system.

### Are there volunteer opportunities for Friends members?

Yes. Volunteer opportunities include working at the Friends Shop, transporting and sorting book donations at the book sale site and helping with publicity for the Friends Book Sale.

### May I join the Friends even if I cannot volunteer?

Yes. Your Friends Membership Form allows you to indicate your willingness to volunteer, but there is no requirement to do so.

### How do I become a Friend of the Library?

Fill out [this form](#) and mail with payment to:

Friends of the Greenville County Library System  
25 Heritage Green Place  
Greenville, SC 29601-2034

### How can I support the Friends of the Library?

Joining the Friends of the Library, donating gently used books to your local library branch and shopping at the semi-annual book sales and Friends Shop are all ways to show your support.

### What sorts of donated items are accepted by the Friends of the Library?

The Friends accept most books and audiovisual materials that are in usable condition. The following items are not accepted by the Friends:

- Magazines
- Reader's Digest Condensed Books
- Encyclopedias (unless no more than five years old)
- Text books (unless current)
- Mildewed or badly damaged materials of any kind

### How are my donated items used?

Books and materials donated to the Friends of the Library are offered for sale to the community either at the semi-annual book sales or at the Friends Shop.

**Where do I take my donations for the Friends?**

You may take donations to any branch of the Greenville County Library System. The library staff will issue you a donation receipt upon request.

**When are the Friends' book sales?**

The Friends of the Library hold book sales twice a year in the spring and fall. Check the library's newsletter, *Access*, or website for specific dates.

**What is the Friends Shop?**

The Friends Shop is a retail store at Hughes Main Library operated by the Friends of the Library. Merchandise includes stationary, gift items and gently used books. Proceeds from sales help provide library programs and materials.

**When is the Friends Shop open?**

Monday-Saturday, 10a-4p.

**Where is the Friends Shop located?**

It is located in the gallery at Hughes Main Library, next to the circulation desk.