



CHARLESTON
FRIENDS
of the Library

That FRIENDly Newsletter - March 2024



Book Your Spot as a FRIENDS Volunteer

What do all our friends have in common? They love reading, they support literacy & learning, and they can't wait to share the last great book they read. If that sounds like you, we want to be friends, too!

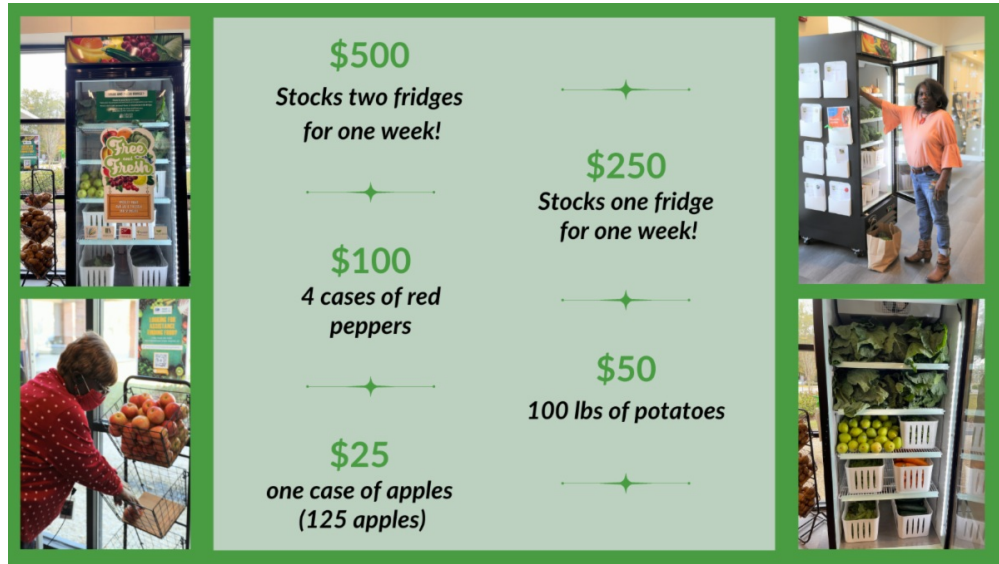
There's no better way to meet other booklovers than to **volunteer with the FRIENDS of the Library**. We're always on the lookout for new friends to help with...

- Book Sales
- Our Book Sorting Room
- Special Events

So if you want to join the best book club in Charleston, email Leah Donaldson (director@charlestonlibraryfriends.org) to learn about all our volunteer opportunities.

Events for Booklovers Abound

A large *thank you* with extra toppings to our mellowest friends at Mellow Mushroom in West Ashley. This past week they hosted a FRIENDS of the Library night and donated 20 percent of their proceeds to benefit programs at the Charleston County Library. And it was oh-so tasty!



The infographic is a green-bordered box containing a list of donation amounts and their corresponding items. On the left side, there are three small images: a community fridge, a person in a red shirt selecting produce, and a close-up of a fridge shelf. On the right side, there are two more small images: a person in an orange shirt selecting produce and a close-up of a fridge shelf. The text is arranged in a central column with decorative horizontal lines separating the items.

\$500 Stocks two fridges for one week!	
\$250 Stocks one fridge for one week!	
\$100 4 cases of red peppers	
\$50 100 lbs of potatoes	
\$25 one case of apples (125 apples)	

What's Inside the Community Fridge Program?

Let's take a peek inside one of our favorite Charleston County Library programs that we support: The Free and Fresh Community Fridge Program.

Available at the John L. Dart, Otranto Road, and St. Paul's Hollywood branches, the program provides a community refrigerator where patrons can pick up free food or leave food for others.

"We have been able to distribute thousands of pounds of free produce to the community. We know that food insecurity and health disparities are prevalent throughout Charleston, and we are happy to continue to offer this service to the community through this new program." —Kathleen Montgomery, CCPL Associate Director of Community Engagement.

**Help us Restock the Community
Fridge**





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