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Library Makes Borrowing Easier with Returns Boxes and Books by Mail

VANCOUVER, Wash. – Fort Vancouver Regional Library District has now made it more convenient for rural residents to receive and return library items. The district recently introduced the added service of no-fee return postage and reusable fabric mailing bags for patrons using the library's Books by Mail program. FVRL also added a library-return box at the Lyle Mercantile earlier this year.

FVRL has mailed books out to FVRL patrons at no cost for many years, with service currently available at no charge to those who live 10 or more miles away from a library or are physically unable to get to a library. Residents can apply for the service by filling out and submitting a form available at www.fvrl.org, or by calling or stopping in at any FVRL library.

All Books by Mail customers now receive shipments in green fabric reusable mailing bags, with a return-postage label provided inside each bag. The bags can be used to ship items back to the library via U.S. mail, or dropped off at any FVRL branch.

In the Lyle area, there's now another reason besides groceries, snacks and supplies to stop by the Lyle Mercantile, and not just during the store's regular hours. The library-return box installed outside the store entrance offers a convenient way to return books, DVDs, CDs or other FVRL items 24/7. Returned items are picked up once a week by the library district's couriers, and checked back in at the library.

24/7 library returns also are located at the Goldendale and White Salmon libraries, in Alderdale at the Mercer Farms office, and in Klickitat at Canyon Market. Items can be returned on the bookmobile as well.

A library card is simple to obtain and provides the key to borrowing items from the library and accessing a world of information resources. Temporary library cards are available online and allow new users to immediately place holds; permanent cards are available at any library or bookmobile.

More information about library services is available by calling any FVRL library or (toll-free from area code 509) 888-546-2707, or visiting any library or bookmobile, or www.fvrl.org.

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