



# City of Denton

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## AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

**DEPARTMENT:** Library

**ACM:** Frank Dixon

**DATE:** April 14, 2025

### **SUBJECT**

Receive an informational report and hold a discussion regarding the Friends of the Denton Public Libraries.

### **BACKGROUND**

The Friends of the Denton Public Libraries is a nonprofit organization that supports the Denton Public Library through community service and fundraising to provide materials and equipment to improve and extend Library services. This report provides an update on the organization's activities and fundraising efforts.

The Friends Executive Board met on April 10, 2025. The Board reported success in their participation in the inaugural Library Giving Day. They raised \$3,530. They also discussed the work of their new Fundraising Committee, which has six Friends members and three Friends Executive Board members. They are developing fundraising projects including a Give Us Your Change jar at various businesses in Denton, selling items made in the Forge Makerspace, and soliciting corporate donations and grants.

The Friends Executive Board discussed opening the Big Book Sales for two or three hours on Fridays before each book sale for members-only shopping. They plan to implement the additional sale period at the August book sale. The Board also agreed to begin using a point-of-sale system to take credit card payments at the book store and at book sales. Four Board members will reach out to their bank to see if they provide a system.

The Library provided a report on the approved Friends funded projects, shared information about the impact of the Institute of Museum and Library Services closure, and the Moving Stories project.

### **2025 Friends Executive Board Meetings** (in North Branch Meeting Room at 5:30 p.m.)

Thursday, July 10, 2025

Thursday, October 9, 2025

### **2025 Friends Big Book Sales** (in North Branch Meeting Room)

Saturday, May 10, 2025

Saturday, August 9, 2025

Saturday, November 8, 2025

### **EXHIBITS**

1. Agenda Information Sheet-Friends

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