

Fines and Fees

Our Library holds Intellectual Freedom, Privacy, and Equity as our Guiding Principles. To ensure the free and open exchange of ideas and equitable access to all our citizens, the Cedar Rapids Public Library does not charge overdue fines on library materials. The board of trustees empowers library staff to set clear procedures, send regular reminders, and create a sense of belonging and commitment with our patrons to ensure materials are used by our community and returned in a timely manner. The library will charge patrons for items not returned and to recover the cost of processing.

The library will charge fees as an economic disincentive to waste or to recover the cost of certain targeted services. On occasion, the library will charge for extraordinary or specialized services to raise revenue that supports foundational services.

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