



Tigard Public Library

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Popular Food for Fines Drive Returns to Library

Sunday, March 20 - Saturday, March 26

Tigard Library users can take a bite out of their fines next week at the library's annual Food for Fines drive from Sunday, March 20 – Saturday, March 26. For each donated non-perishable food item, the library will forgive \$1 of fines up to \$10.

The library will donate the food to the St. Vincent de Paul food pantry in Tigard, which will distribute it to families in need. March is an important month for food pantries because their inventory is often depleted.

Acceptable donations include:

- Canned meats (tuna, chicken, salmon etc.)
- Canned and boxed meals (chili, soup, macaroni and cheese etc.)
- Peanut butter
- Pasta, rice and cereal
- Canned fruits
- 100% fruit juices
- Baby food

The library cannot accept homemade, perishable, open or unlabeled items, rusty cans or items past their expiration date. Food for Fines applies only to fines, not other library charges. Last year, library users donated more than 3,400 pounds of food to needy families.