

# Del Norte County Library District

# Your Local Library Network

# Exciting News!!!

As of December 1, 2020, the Del Norte County Library District is no longer charging overdue fines on materials (with the exception of DVDs). With overdue fines being waived, you may now enjoy full library privileges.

Through research and collaboration with other excellent libraries, we have found that late fines may act as more of a deterrent to utilizing library services than an incentive to return materials. To support our mission in empowering our community by providing access to resources, we are waiving late fines in an effort to better serve you.

# "Does this mean that I can keep my borrowed items for as long as I want?"

No. You will still be expected to return your items on or before the due date. Items not returned in good condition after 30 days will be billed to you with an additional processing and handling fee.

## "Does this mean I will have to wait longer for holds now?"

We plan to monitor our returns in order to ensure that the elimination of late fines will not result in an inconvenience to our patrons. Statistically, libraries that have eliminated late fines are not having issues with items being out for longer periods of time.

### "Will the Library's budget suffer now that late fines are

# Got Social Media?

We do! This is another way to stay informed with all of the Library's latest announcements. We post content on a daily basis and there are even prize drawings which you can participate in! Follow us on **Facebook** and **Twitter** today!



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While late fines have accounted for a small portion of our revenue, we feel that it is more important for you to have access to our valuable resources. If you are interested in donating to the Library, please contact us today.

## **Del Norte County Libraries**

### MAIN LIBRARY 190 Price Mall

Crescent City, CA 95531 Phone: (707) 464-9793

### SMITH RIVER BRANCH

241 First Street Smith River, CA 95567 Phone: (707) 487-8048

### DEL NORTE READS

1080 Mason Mall, Suite 9 Crescent City CA 95531 Phone: (707) 464-7072

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