

How You Can Get Involved:

- Become a patron by visiting and exchanging books
- Become a volunteer by staffing the Exchange one morning or afternoon
- Attend our special programs (see website: bannerelkbookexchange.com)
- Donate your gently used books
- Make donations to help with monthly operating costs and additional improvements
- Give us suggestions on how to improve what we're doing!

TO DONATE: Please make out your check payable to *Town of Banner Elk* with "Book Exchange" noted on the memo line and mail to: **PO Box 2049 Banner Elk, NC 28604** or donate at the Book Exchange while you are there.

TO RECEIVE NEWS and a schedule of events in our e-mail newsletter, please contact **Cathy Reynolds** at cathytolman@skybest.com

TO VOLUNTEER, please contact **Dusty Ross** at dkross77@gmail.com

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Many thanks to our generous supporters:

- High Country Charitable Foundation
- Mountain Electric's Pocket Change
- Town of Banner Elk and the Tourism Development Authority
- Glenn and Carol Arthur and other private donors.

Comments from the community

"The idea of donating books for others to enjoy is very appealing."

"My grandchildren think this is a perfect spot to come and read."

"What a great idea! I love it!"

"This is a wonderful place to pick up a book while we're on vacation."

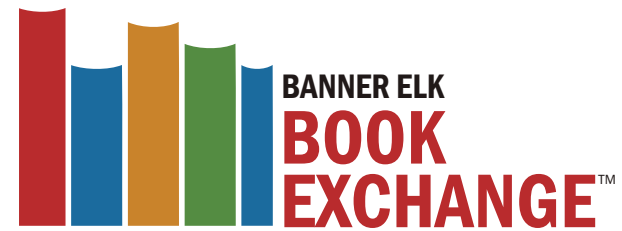
"We enjoy checking just to see what's new."

"This is a comfortable gathering place to meet new people in the area."



PO Box 234
Banner Elk, NC 28604

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Located in the
Historic Banner Elk School
185 Azalea Circle SE, Banner Elk NC 28604



Bring a book... take a book.

It's that easy!

Not a library...

No check out... No due dates...

No cost!

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Bring a Book, Take a Book! Seriously.

This local volunteer-run book exchange operates on the simple idea of sharing books with other people in our community. This is not a library - there is no check out, no due dates, no return of books required! All we ask is that you refrain from taking out more books than you brought in.

If you have time, feel free to settle into a comfortable chair to read, browse through our selection of magazines, or bring the children in your life to explore our kids corner.



No book to exchange?
No problem!
Simply make a small monetary donation instead.

Operating hours are:

- Tuesday - Friday: 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
- Saturday 1-4 p.m. Summer only (May thru Oct.)
- Closed Sunday and Monday

Materials Available:

- Adult fiction
- A wide variety of non-fiction including cookbooks, gardening, and history
- Books by local authors and of local interest
- Young adult books
- Children's books
- Current magazines

Programs Offered

- **Book discussion groups** – Third Tuesday of each month, 6:30 p.m.
- **BE Readers (Children's book discussion)** – Grades 4-7, Mid-summer Thursdays, 3-4 p.m.
- **Play and Learn Sessions** – For children 0 to 5 years old and their parents and/or caregivers. Mondays 10-11 a.m.



- **Carolina Explorers Adventures in Nature** – Grades 4-6, one day per month. Visit www.NCexplorers.com for details.
- **Third Monday Bluegrass Jam** – 6:30 p.m.

A Work in Progress!

We received generous donations from individuals and organizations which enabled us to open our doors in December 2015. We completely transformed Banner Elk's old elementary school library space into the Book Exchange which has served the community in these ways:

- Welcomed more than 6,000 patrons in 2019 before the pandemic
- Received over 17,000 donated books and shared over 8,000 books with the community
- Expanded programs and services and created new, innovative programs for all ages
- Provided community gathering space for special events
- Continued to provide free Wi-Fi internet service

