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### **Burleson Public Library offers Food for Fines**

*Burleson Public Library customers who owe library fines can get as much as \$30 forgiven Oct. 23 through Nov. 4, by bringing donations that will be given to Harvest House.*

Burleson Public Library customers who owe library fines can get as much as \$30 forgiven Oct. 23 through Nov. 4 through the Library's Food for Fines program. The catch is that instead of digging into their pockets, customers can search their cupboards for donations that the library will turn over to Harvest House.

Customers can bring new, unopened personal hygiene products and nonperishable food items to the library to receive credit of \$1 per item and \$2 per "high need" item. A maximum of \$30 can be waived.

High need items, as designated by Harvest House, are packages of toilet paper, toothpaste and toothbrushes, bar soap, shampoo and conditioner, razors, feminine hygiene products, deodorant, and laundry soap.

"Food for Fines was a huge success last year," said Heather Huse, Library Business Manager. "Library staff members are excited to once again offer an opportunity for our customers to reduce or eliminate their fines by helping their community," she added.

Fees associated with lost or damaged items, and fines for items belonging to other libraries cannot be waived. Only current overdue fines are eligible for the program. Food for Fines has the potential to reduce some of these charges and bring customers' accounts back into good standing.

Customers are welcome to bring in donations even if they do not have fines on their account. Donated items may be dropped off at the Burleson Public Library Oct. 23 through Nov. 4 during open hours, Monday-Wednesday 10 a.m. – 8 p.m. and Thursday-Saturday 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

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