Founded in 1957 by a small group of volunteers, the Friends of the Newport Beach Public Library is a nonprofit organization that is dedicated in its support of the library and takes pride in helping maintain its excellence.

Support from the Friends of the Library plays a pivotal role in the library experience of children, families and adults in this community. It is essential to the Newport Beach Public Library and its mission. When you become a Friend of the Library you become a member in an important philanthropic group. Collectively, the Friends help make possible children’s and cultural arts programming, expanded collections, state-of-the-art technology, and a vast array of educational and entertainment resources.

**Who are the Friends?**

The Friends Bookstore is located in the Newport Beach Central Library: 1000 Avocado Avenue Newport Beach, CA 92660 (949) 759-9667

**Store Hours**
Monday - Saturday 10:30-4:30pm
Sunday - 1:00-4:00pm

**Book Sales**
Triannual book sales are held in the Central Library Friends Meeting Room on the first Friday and Saturday in February, June and October.

**Sale Hours**
Friday sales 1:00-4:00pm (Members Only)
Saturday sales 9:00am-2:00pm
Open to the public

The Friends of the Library presents the City with a check in support of library programs. The Friends contributes about 200,000 per year to enrich the Library's programs, collections and services.
What do Friends do?

**Bookstore**
The Friends operate a used bookstore in the Central Library, manned by a volunteer staff of over 100 dedicated individuals. It is open seven days a week from 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Sunday. Books donated by the public are sorted and priced, then sold in the store. Prices range from 50 cents to $100, but most books are sold for 50 cents to $3. Books of special value are offered for sale on the internet through Amazon or an auction house. In addition, books discarded by the library are sold at minimal prices in the store.

**Triannual Book Sales**
Every four months, on the first Friday and Saturday of February, June and October, books not sold in the store are placed for sale in the Friends Meeting Room at the Central Library. Friday sale day is for Members Only. All books remaining are sold by the bag on Saturday to the general public.

Where does the money go?
The income generated by book sales is used to supplement the Library's budget by funding library special projects, programs, and activities, such as:

- Summer Reading Program
- Children’s special events
- First grade class visits
- Sunday Musicals
- Children’s Discovery Garden
- Book collections
- Audiovisual materials
- Checkout equipment
- Literacy program materials
- New furnishings

How can I help?
It's easy to help the Friends of the Library raise money for library programs and resources.

- Buy books at the Friends Bookstore
- Donate your used books to the Friends
- Become a member of the Friends of the Library
- Volunteer at the bookstore or the book sale