



Lancaster Public Library Lost and Found Policy

The Lancaster Public Library (LPL) is not responsible for any patron's lost or left behind items. Patrons are solely responsible for their own property.

As a courtesy to our patrons, the LPL will retain and store lost and left behind items for approximately 30 days. In addition, the LPL will make a reasonable attempt to determine and contact the rightful owner of the lost property if said property contains sufficient identifying information.

1. If the rightful owner cannot be located, a lost or left behind item that is still unclaimed after 30 days will become the property of the LPL or be turned over to the Lancaster Police Department.
2. Perishable or hazardous items such as food and personal care items will be disposed of immediately.
3. The LPL will dispose of unclaimed items as follows:
 - a) General items will become the property of LPL and may be disposed of or given to a charity as appropriate;
 - b) Books will be placed in the Library's book sale;
 - c) Money will be deposited in the LPL general fund or turned over to the Lancaster Police Department, as appropriate; and
 - d) Identification documents and items, including but not limited to, credit cards and wallets, will be turned over to the Lancaster Police Department.

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Reaffirmed by the Lancaster Public Library Board of Trustees at a public meeting on June 13, 2024.