

What does Fine Free mean?

It means that the library will no longer charge a daily fine for overdue materials. You are still responsible for bringing materials back on time and will be charged the replacement cost for any lost or damaged materials or for materials that are 20 days overdue.

Why is the library going fine free?

We want to lower barriers for all patrons to return to the library! Fines tend to keep patrons away from the library instead of encouraging them to return materials.

While we were fine free during the pandemic we had an opportunity to test-drive the format and found the majority of patrons still returned their materials on time.

Aren't you going to miss the revenue?

Fines account for less than 1% of our revenue and of this amount more than half goes toward resources and staff time collecting those fines.

We have added resources to our website that go further into detail about the fine free movement.