Columbia City's library receives largest donation of new books

Library receives new, signed books worth $15,000 to $20,000

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With 33 boxes of new books surrounding them, the Columbia Community Library was the recipient of a generous donation.

Friends estimate the donation to be worth $15,000 to $20,000.

Lundberg, the library's director, said the donation is the largest the library has received so far. "This is a fantastic donation," said Lundberg. "It will help us expand our library with new books."

The PNBA is able to offer the Rural Library Project donations due to the generous support of the Publishing community.

Lundberg said, "I'm extremely grateful to the independent booksellers association for allowing us to expand our library with these books."

Hiroth, a volunteer with the association who coordinates the donations, said, "Lundberg informed us that the library had been chosen to receive the books and how she could pick them up directly after.

The library was chosen to receive the books—some of which are from small presses and other independent booksellers. "We thought it was important to support the community," Hiroth said.