Donating to the ACI Libraries

Please review the full policy for a complete overview of what materials we do and do not accept. Important highlights:

- ➤ All donations must be in new or like-new condition
- ➤ We only accept paperbacks, no hard cover books
- ➤ We do not accept encyclopedias
- We do not accept religious materials
- No more than 40 books may be donated by one person/organization per month
- ➤ We do not accept donations for specific inmates or specific facilities

Excepted Materials

It is the policy of the RIDOC to have a free flow of information and library materials. However, the following types of material are adjudged prejudicial to the good order of the Adult Correctional Institutions (ACI) and are not permitted.

- a. Material of a sexist nature, or which glorifies or promotes violence against women/men/children;
- b. Sexually explicit material. (For more information, please refer to policy 24.01-6 DOC, Inmate Mail, or a successive policy.)
- c. Material which may be contrary to appropriate security and custodial concerns includes, but is not necessarily limited to that which:
 - (1) depicts or describes procedures for the construction or use of weapons, ammunition, bombs or incendiary devices.
 - (2) depicts, describes, or encourages methods of escape from correctional facilities, or contains blueprints, drawings, or similar descriptions of any correctional facility within the State of Rhode Island.
 - (3) depicts or describes procedures for the brewing of alcoholic beverages or the manufacture of drugs, drug paraphernalia and/or poisons.
 - (4) depicts or describes the manipulation and control of others (e.g., military field manuals and other technical publications which deal with psychological operations and other non-lethal methodologies).
 - (5) is written in code.
 - (6) depicts, describes, or encourages activities that may lead to the use of physical violence or group disruption.
 - (7) glorifies or promotes gang activities.
 - (8) glorifies or promotes racial, religious, or ethnic discord.