

# BUILDING COMMUNITY

## Building Little LENDING LIBRARIES



### ARTS COMMISSION MISSION

As an element of the Mill Valley Arts Commission's Public Art Program, Art in Public Places, the Little Libraries celebrates the written word, promotes the art of writing, and supports local authors. We hope to highlight and encourage Mill Valley residents to read, lend, and help their neighbors of all ages enjoy books, thereby building community and foster the arts.

DESCRIPTION: Mill Valley currently has quite a few existing Little Lending Libraries, which have been identified using considerable community input, including photographs. Little Libraries are often placed in front of people's homes; we plan to make a community map available showing these locations for borrowers and donors, after obtaining written permission from the Little Lending Libraries owners.



### LITTLE LIBRARY RESOURCES

The Arts Commission has information on the Little Lending Libraries available via our website, social media, and in print at City Hall and the Community Center.

- **Find Little Libraries Near You:** <https://littlefreelibrary.org/ourmap/>
- **Build Your Own:** <https://littlefreelibrary.org/build/>

Free "build your own" drawings and plans are available to the public, along with a few sites where ready-made Libraries can be purchased at a low cost.

<https://littlefreelibrary.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/07/BuilderTips.pdf>

[https://littlefreelibrary.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/09/LFL-Building-Design\\_6.17.13.pdf](https://littlefreelibrary.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/09/LFL-Building-Design_6.17.13.pdf)

- **Shop for Discounted Books for Your Library:** <https://littlefreelibrary.org/books/>
- **Add Your Library to the World Map:** <https://littlefreelibrary.org/mapyourlibrary/>

We will encourage Little Lending Library owners to register with the International Registry and inform us about their locations so they can be added to our local map. An advantage of registering with the global registry is that it provides information on the type of books stocked and available in individual Little Libraries.

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