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**Vaughan Public Libraries Accepts Food for Fines**Donate non-perishable items to lower your fines between December 1 to 14

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**VAUGHAN, ON** – Do you have fines for overdue items at Vaughan Public Libraries (VPL)? Starting December 1, you can lower your library fines by donating food items at your library. Donations of non-perishable food items can be dropped off at any branch of VPL. Each item will lower your fines by \$1.

Vaughan residents are invited to participate in this program, regardless of whether or not they have overdue items. Donations will be accepted at the Service Desk and will be given to the Vaughan Food Bank and Humanity First. Food items will not be accepted as replacement costs for lost or damaged items or for any fee payments (i.e. room rentals).

**Items Needed:**

- Canned soups, fruits, vegetables, juice and pasta sauce
- Cereals (hot & cold) and pancake mixes
- Crackers, cookies and biscuits
- Rice, pasta and beans
- Pickles, jams, relishes and salad dressing
- Toiletries
- Baby diapers (sizes 3 – 6)

**Items Not Accepted:**

- Bulk food
- Fresh food
- “Junk” food
- Damaged items
- Opened packages
- Food that have passed their “best before” dates
- Homemade food

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