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## HEPBURN LIBRARIES FORGIVING TREE – FINES AMNESTY

Hepburn Libraries (comprising of The Warehouse - Clunes, Creswick Hub, Daylesford and Trentham libraries) are hosting a Forgiving Tree program between 16 December 2019 to 31 January 2020.

The Forgiving Tree program involves community members donating food for people in need, in exchange for the waiver of overdue fines. A Forgiving Tree program is a judgement free process for borrowers with fines to remove charges that they may have been avoiding or unable to pay.

For every item of non-perishable food donated, \$5 worth of fines will be waived from a patron's library card. Items outstanding must be returned and this does not apply to charges associated with missing or damaged library items. It is also only valid for Hepburn Libraries collection items and patrons.

The Forgiving Tree program aligns with the goals of the 'Libraries Change Lives' initiative that Council supports.

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