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## Shalimar Library & Thrift Shop Donates \$3,000 to Shalimar Elementary School

Shalimar Elementary School received a generous \$3,000 donation from the Shalimar Library & Thrift Shop during a check presentation held on Thursday, February 12, on the school's campus. In attendance for the presentation were members of the Shalimar Library Board of Directors, Shalimar Mayor Mark Franks, Principal Amy Klugh, and Shalimar Elementary administrators.

Of the \$3,000 donation, \$2,000 will directly support the school library, while the remaining \$1,000 has been designated for the principal's discretion to assist with student classroom supplies. "Our town library has always been more than just a building with books. It's a place of curiosity, learning, and opportunity," said Mayor Franks. "This generous contribution to Shalimar Elementary is an investment not just in programs or materials, but in the future of our children."

Principal Amy Klugh expressed appreciation for the community's continued support. "Thanks to our Shalimar community and leadership, your generous support of your library fuels learning for kids," said Klugh. "With these funds, we will be able to support purchasing student supplies for those in need. We will also use the funds to purchase needed materials in our library."

Superintendent Marcus Chambers shared the following statement: "We are incredibly grateful to the Shalimar Library & Thrift Shop for their continued commitment to our students. Community partnerships like this strengthen our schools and ensure our children have access to the resources they need to succeed. This donation reflects the strong connection between our schools and the Shalimar community."

The Shalimar Library & Thrift Shop has proudly served the community since 1996, offering a wide selection of books and affordable thrift items. Proceeds from the thrift shop directly support library operations and community initiatives. For more information or to volunteer, visit <https://shalimarlibrary.org/>



(Pictured (L to R): Shalimar Library Board of Directors, Mayor Mark Franks, Principal Amy Klugh and Shalimar Elementary School Administration)

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