

## **Stage 2: Curbside Continues, Grab Bags and Added Materials**

Once branches are comfortable and caught up from the closure, we will be adding in Grab Bags of material in addition to holds. Procedures for Grab Bags are below.

The FAQs from Stage 1 all still apply in Stage 2, but we will send out additional information closer to when Stage 2 launches. This will allow us to make changes if necessary based on new information or feedback from Stage 1.

### **Grab Bag Procedures**

In addition to local holds, branches can create “Grab Bags” of materials. Bags can be made in advance or you can do custom bags for patrons. The bags are meant to give patrons options as they can't come in to browse and may not know what to search for on the website.

To make a bag:

- Simply choose about 5 books and add them to a bag.
- When a patron requests a grab bag, you can check each item out to them individually like normal.
- Patrons should be encouraged to return items normally - they should not return the bag as we can't reuse it.

Some suggestions for bag “themes”:

- Genre specific paperback bags (ie: Summer Romance, Cozy Mystery, Inspirational)
- Kids theme bags (ie: Dinosaurs - include some non-fiction books too!; Princesses; etc)
- Early Reader Grab Bag
- Graphic Novels Grab Bag
- True Crime Grab Bag

Patrons may also just request a certain type of book. Staff can accommodate that as best they can within their collection.

When items are returned, check them in individually. You can choose to rebag them into a grab bag again or shelve them.