WEEDING WITH BAKER AND TAYLOR SUSTAINABLE SHELVES



HOW IT BEGAN

- 60% of our collection had not circulated in 10+ years
- Many items had not circulated since 1999
- Outdated material no longer aligned with curricula
- Many items in e-book/ e-journal format.
- HVAC and renovations.
- BOND Approved for renovations!!!





GOALS

- Create a document to include future weeding goals:
- 1. Percentage to weed each session
- 2. How to utilize the space after weeding
- 3. Method of disposal

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- Scan book bar codes
- Upload list from ALMA
- B&T evaluates and categorizes each title.
- Green is resale; pink is recycled
- Box up accordingly to Pink or Green.
- B&T provides shipping labels
- Ship to B&T
- B&T gives credit for future purchases

HOW ITS GOING

- To date, we have weeded 19%
- Earned 3,400 in credit to be used for future DEI collection development.
- Developed a new collection weeding plan
- Prepared for a muchneeded renovation.
- Reevaluated our collection needs to align with current and future curricula

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Sustainable Shelves Program

Sustainable Shelves is a new service, powered by Baker & Taylor, that helps libraries responsibly remove weeded or unwanted books



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