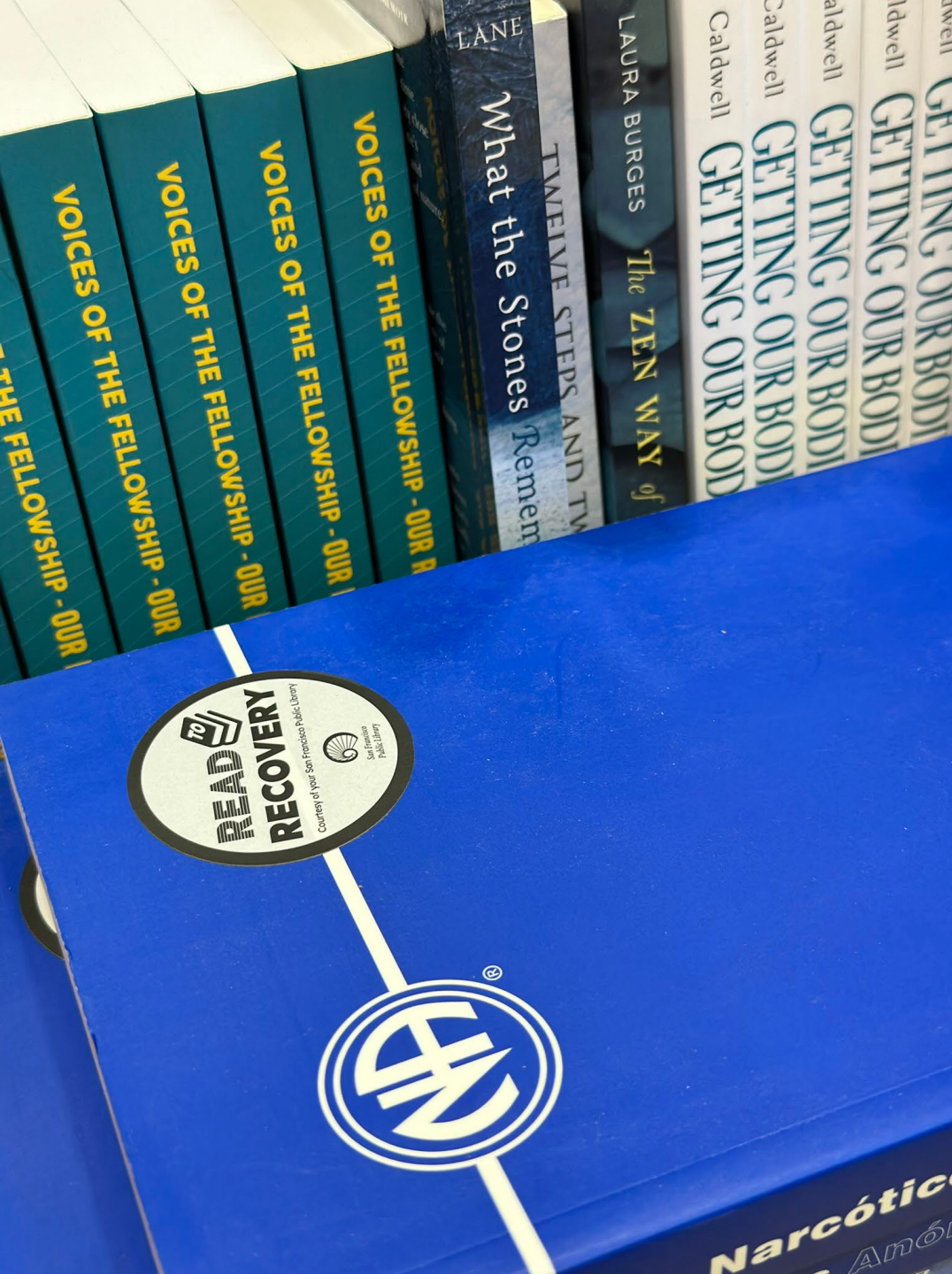




# Read To Recovery: A Progress Report

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# Timeline

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- 2021** Patron requests Narcotics Anonymous Big Book
- 2022** SFPL refreshes 12 step books
- 2022** Supervisor Dorsey launches SF Recovers Program
- 2022** Prop F funds library collections
- 2023** Pilot launches at Main, Mission Bay, Park libraries
- 2024** Board of Supervisors pass Read to Recovery Ordinance
- 2025** Read to Recovery expands to all libraries
- 2026** American Library Association presentation



*No Library membership card may be required for an individual to obtain written materials and books offered through the Read to Recovery Program, and such written materials and books shall be free to keep.*

Read to Recovery Ordinance 168-24  
Board of Supervisors 2024



Read to Recovery Rally February 2024

# Expansion & Integration



Glen Park Branch



Eureka Valley Harvey Milk Branch



Mission Bay Branch





3 Years

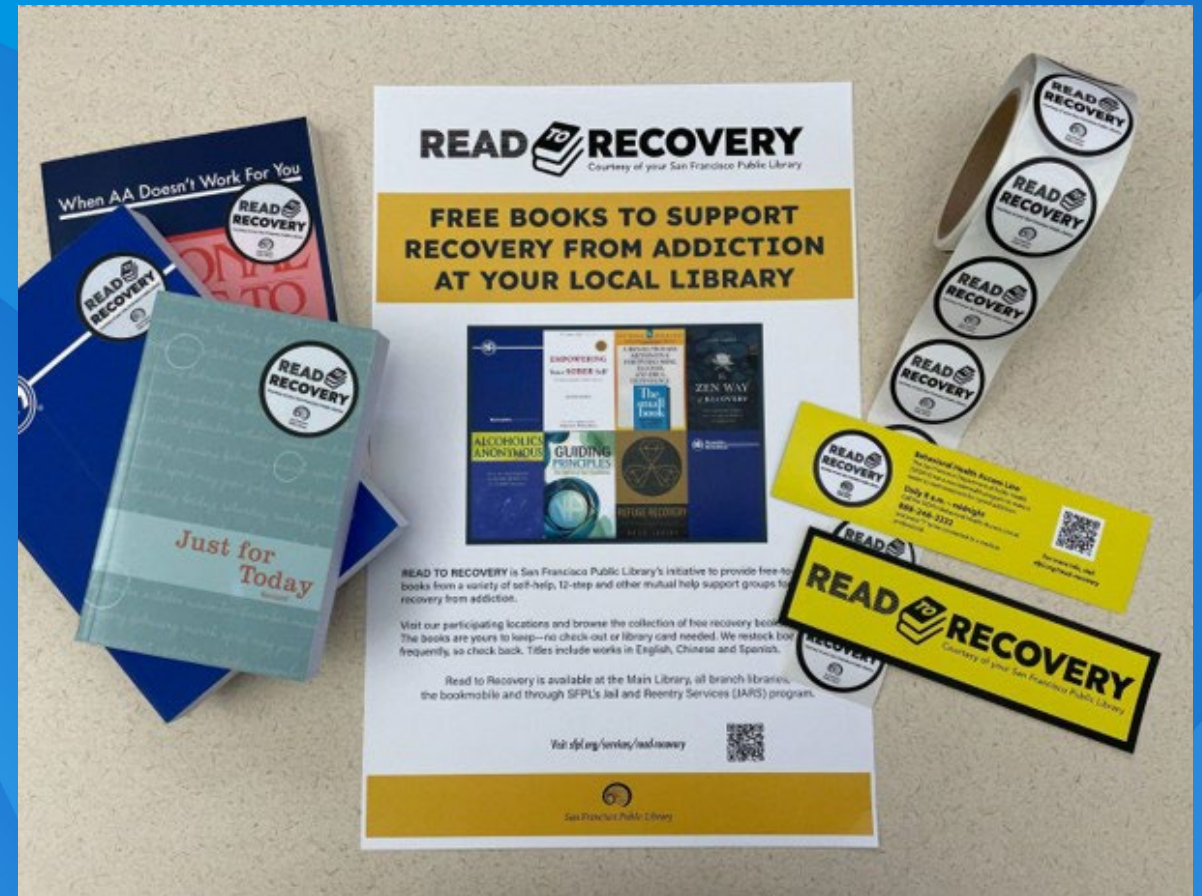
\$200,000 investment

13,000+ books taken

40+ unique titles

3 languages

10 presentations to internal and external partners





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# Thank you!

