ANU Library thanks the community

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The ANU Library continues to rebuild our Chifley Library collection following the flooding on Sunday 25th February 2018.

Library staff and community members were devastated by loss of such an important part of our collection, built over the last 50 years by academics and library staff to support world class research and study.

Over the past few months, we put the call out for donations of books lost in the flood. We received an overwhelming amount of support.

"On behalf of the Library Advisory Committee and Library I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of those who have made offers of support, including donations of books and financial contributions," Professor Paul Pickering said.

"It is very heartening to see the outpouring of support and assistance during this time. We are extremely grateful of your generosity and I am proud to be a part of the ANU community."

"While this loss has been particularly devastating for our staff, academics and student community, we have also been very touched by the assistance and collaboration during this time."

While the specific call for donations is over, we still welcome any further donations of books or financial support. Please visit the Chifley Flood Donation Appeal webpage to find out how you can donate.

"The loss from the flood was devastating – destroying roughly 10 per cent of the library's holdings." University Librarian Roxanne Missingham said.

"The rebuilding process has involved collaboration with leading academics and the broad community. Library staff have worked very hard behind the scenes to deal with the needs of academics and students. I am very thankful that the ANU spirit of cooperation has been a key contributor."

"Rebuilding the library's collection will be an ongoing process over the coming years, and even decades. We are very grateful to those who have donated and continue to encourage individuals to review the list of monographs lost in the flood."

A reminder that a free shuttle service operates between Hancock Library and the National Library of Australia (NLA). This service is being provided by the ANU Library in response to the loss of access to collections in Chifley.