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Please remove the restrictions on the Carlsbad City libraries.

It is frankly ridiculous to sit in your car and phone in your hold request, waiting for someone masked to come out into the broad daylight and put your book in your trunk.

And the seven day hold on returns? The world has been doing testing and contact tracing for nearly a year and I have not heard of even ONE case, anywhere in the world, of the virus being transmitted from a book!

The entire experience is like a scene from a B-rated horror film.

Social distancing is far easier in libraries than Costco or Ralphs anyway, and our community has not been experiencing problems from our residents shopping there.

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I was disappointed to learn that Carlsbad is spending \$15,000 on Unconscious Bias training. It is my personal view, based upon 62 years of life, that the overwhelming majority of Americans, of all ages, genders, ethnicities, etc., have no inherent bias against other Americans regardless of the other's age, gender, ethnicity, etc. And for those few who do, I don't believe their biases will be changed by a training program.

I would hope the training will also consider the possibility that all of these woke identity-based measures could have the effect of directing unconscious bias against white males and ultimately lead to a hostile work environment for them. Bias works in all directions, after all....

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