# RA Through the Weeds:

## Weeding your way to better RA interactions

#### **Print Resources:**

- Hibner, Holly & Kelly, Mary. (2013). *Making a Collection Count: A holistic approach to library collection management*, 2<sup>nd</sup> ed. Cambridge, UK: Chandos Publishing.
- Jacob, Merle. (Spring 2001). Weeding the Fiction Collection: Or should I dump Peyton Place? Reference & User Services Quarterly, 40 (3) pp. 234-239.
- Larson Jeanette. (2012). CREW: A Weeding Manual for Modern Libraries [PDF]. Austin, TX: Texas State Library and Archives Commission. Retrieve from <a href="http://bit.ly/1RV2Myz">http://bit.ly/1RV2Myz</a>.
- Vnuk, Rebecca. (2015). The Weeding Handbook: A shelf-by-shelf guide. Chicago, IL: ALA Editions.

#### Selection & Deselection Policies:

- See examples included in Rebecca Vnuk's The Weeding Handbook, particularly:
  - o Arizona State Library, Archives, & Public Records: Retrieve from <a href="http://bit.ly/2w1LFu7">http://bit.ly/2w1LFu7</a>
  - o LaGrange Public Library's Collection Development Policy: Retrieve from http://bit.ly/2xg8PLO
  - ALA's Workbook for Selection Policy Writing: Retrieve from <a href="http://bit.ly/2xvZNcU">http://bit.ly/2xvZNcU</a>
- Naperville Public Library's Materials Selection Policy [PDF]: Retrieve from <a href="http://bit.ly/2w]cOmu">http://bit.ly/2w]cOmu</a>

### Weeding Inspiration:

- Hibner, Holly & Kelly, Mary. Awful Library Books, available on Facebook, Twitter, and http://awfullibrarybooks.net. See also:
  - Formula that estimates shelf capacity: <a href="http://bit.ly/2fCnqv9">http://bit.ly/2fCnqv9</a>
  - SlideShare Presentations: Retrieve from <a href="http://bit.ly/2wrMkGs">http://bit.ly/2wrMkGs</a>

## Displaying in the Stacks:

 Hollands, Neil. (2017). Every Book Its Reader: The Simple Power of Putting the Best Face Forward. Booklist, 113:15, 23. Retrieve from http://bit.ly/2iuFha8.

## What to do with Discards:

- Craft Programs
- Prizes
- Library (or Friends) Book Sales
- Donate to local school or community center
- Donate to military: <a href="http://booksforsoldiers.com/">http://booksforsoldiers.com/</a>
- Donate to prisons: <a href="http://prisonbookprogram.org/">http://prisonbookprogram.org/</a>
- Better World Books (Earn % of sales): <a href="https://www.betterworldbooks.com/">https://www.betterworldbooks.com/</a>
- Discover Books (Pulps non-resellable books): https://www.discoverbooks.com/
- Thrift Books Library Program (Earn % of sales): https://www.thriftbooks.com/library/

