



Explore the Virtual Monmouth County Library

Although library buildings are closed, the e-library is available 24/7

In response to Governor Murphy's Executive Order No. 107, all Monmouth County Library branches are closed to the public.

Out of an abundance of caution for the community and staff, the following changes have been made:

- All branch libraries are closed to the public until further notice.
- Staff is available by phone and email to assist you with your information needs or to provide technical support for the use of our online services.
- Book drops are closed; please enjoy your items.
- Due dates will be extended until reopening.
- Help the library by not leaving any items outside our doors.
- Fines will be waived during the closure.



So that the library can continue to provide valuable and timely resources for the community, we encourage you to utilize the library's databases and resources, which are available to library card holders, 24/7.

Thank you for your understanding during this challenging time. Stay healthy, be safe, and practice social distancing.

Ebooks and Audiobooks



Did you know the library has thousands of ebooks and audiobooks? [Libby by Overdrive](#) offers a curated collection with a focus on quality selections for your reading and listening pleasure.

You can borrow them, instantly, for free, using just the device in your hand and your library card! This app is available only on the [App Store](#)

[for iPhone and iPad.](#)

For Phone Assistance

1-866-941-8188

Monday - Thursday 9 am - 8 pm
Friday & Saturday 9 am - 5pm

Virtual Chats

Virtual assistance is available during abbreviated operating hours on our website:

[Monmouth County Library](#)

Chat now



Research Databases

Explore an array of resources through our online databases using your valid library card for access.

[Click here for the complete list!](#)

[Valueline](#) and [Morningstar Investment Research Center](#) are among the many available.

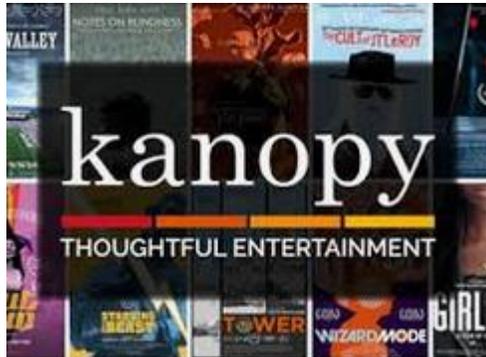
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Children's Resources

[Databases for Children](#) are available even when the library is closed!

Story books, read-alongs, nonfiction, videos, language learning, playlists, games, puzzles, and more! All available for free with your library card!



FAQs

Are there any library resources I can use while library locations are closed?

Yes. MCL provides a wide array of digital offerings, including [ebooks](#), [audio ebooks](#), [streaming video](#) and a wide range of [online resources](#).

What if my items are due? Will I accrue late fees?

The due dates for all checked-out circulating materials have been extended. No late fees will accrue on materials that were originally due during the closure period.

Can I drop off my materials in outdoor book-drops?

Outdoor book-drops will also be closed during this time period. We ask that you hang onto, and enjoy, any materials you may have. Please do not leave items outside of library buildings.

What if some of my holds are ready for pick up?

Holdings that are listed as ready for pick up will be held at the branches until we reopen.

Why can't I place new holds through the catalog?

We are temporarily disabling holds on physical items. However, you can



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still access and place holds on digital materials via our catalog and the [Libby App](#).

Can I apply for a library card?

During our period of closure, Monmouth County residents living in or owning property in one of our branch or member municipalities are welcome to apply for a library card. Please send an email to mcl@monmouthcountylib.org, and include your name, phone number, and an attached image of identification that includes your name and street address, preferably a current valid driver's license. This card will be valid for three months only. Once we reopen, new applicants can visit their local library branch to validate and pick up their physical library card. We are only able to process new library cards for adults, not juvenile patrons at this time.

My library card is about to expire. How can I renew?

All accounts that have expired or will expire between 9/1/19 and 6/30/20 have been temporarily extended through July 2, 2020. Once we reopen, please visit your local library branch to validate and fully renew your card.

I have questions about my account. Is there anyone that can help?

If you have questions about your account or how to access materials, our staff is available using the live chat feature on our [website](#) or call 1-866-941-8188 Monday - Thursday 9:00 am - 8:00 pm and Friday & Saturday 9:00 am - 5:00 pm.

Please email questions to: mcl@monmouthcountylib.org



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