



The Foundation

Hoboken Public Library

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Dear Hoboken Neighbor,

These are challenging times for us all, and we hope you're in good spirits and good health!

The Hoboken Public Library continues to meet the needs of our community as we all navigate our way through unprecedented times. The library kept serving the public when the world shut down and continues to offer innovative programs as our situation changes.

- During the early months of the shutdown the library switched to virtual programming via video, Facebook, Instagram, Zoom and YouTube.
- The Library's digital resources continue to expand with more e-books, downloading and streaming options, online library card signups, and chat reference advice.
- The Hoboken Public Library was one of the first libraries in NJ to compile a one-stop reference page offering job-search support, stimulus package information, and census advice. This page is updated on an ongoing basis.
- The library began the reopening process with curbside pickup, grab and go checkout services, self-checkout options, computer appointments, and expanded Wi-Fi to Church Square Park.
- The library purchased additional laptops, Chromebooks and hotspots for use by the community.
- Safety of patrons and staff is a top priority. To this end, plexiglass has been installed, and the space has been repurposed to accommodate social distancing requirements as the library reopens.

Additionally, the library continues to make plans for renovation and innovation to better serve our community as we all look to a brighter future post-pandemic. The library received a grant from the NJ Historic Trust and applied for a state grant to enable further renovation.

Right now, the library is doing everything possible to sustain daily operations and provide services, but this can't be done alone. Your generosity will help the Hoboken Public Library continue to serve our community during these challenging times, as well as work towards the future when we can meet again in person.

If you're able, please make a donation.
Donating is easy. You have several options:

- Mail the enclosed donation envelope with your check to the Hoboken Public Library Foundation
- Go to www.hobokenlibraryfoundation.org and click on the donate button to use PayPal
- Use the camera on your phone to make a donation via this QR code



Thanking you in advance for your support.

Sincerely,

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Its mission is to seek private, perpetual financial support from the community to ensure that high quality library services will be available for the City of Hoboken now and for future generations.