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| *Princeton Public Library*COVID-19 UPDATE |

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| **What you need to know** |

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| As a public institution that attracts more than 2,000 visitors daily, Princeton Public Library is keenly aware of its responsibility to ensure the safety of our customers. We have followed with concern the spread of the COVID-19 virus and our staff has been working to develop responses to the various challenges presented by the virus. In this period of uncertainty and ever-changing developments, we urge you to visit our [website](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001AwcxIu3XtPmXpFobCS4fzh5-nZM6OZIwUGOfGGHnjKIxxpLAnLF9SQ8i1koKWqGVSE26n79vDZPpARYeD_XWZEdXjEMIORd7UbZWZ7HHuZmtOFNrqIU5zLhCehcJyTC8AjU9u7KChA6OcG07N-tM3w==&c=xpzU4aM0yhOngcheT4A8QYrLfDgUXCzQMu2qSPItIrLi-P5GcVmLBg==&ch=lE4oVAiyPIK1Esp34IDbIaziQyy4nV507Qksai3LIg11WoLIbv2rDA==) for updates. |

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| **What We’re Doing**We are working with the [Princeton Municipal Health Office](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001AwcxIu3XtPmXpFobCS4fzh5-nZM6OZIwUGOfGGHnjKIxxpLAnLF9SRfqoTpnr2JGGinjOEPv2vBtb-s8gl3ZtihHjFHvwFCS17q8wWJjWBTYGqqZuN0ysjHwJPn9fMWVONi_El6GFq5R5xeeG8A0SWazM7EjNxGvOz9P_EKMryFXoitI8ENSGoKB5h4dVlc0&c=xpzU4aM0yhOngcheT4A8QYrLfDgUXCzQMu2qSPItIrLi-P5GcVmLBg==&ch=lE4oVAiyPIK1Esp34IDbIaziQyy4nV507Qksai3LIg11WoLIbv2rDA==)and with the state Department of Health to keep abreast of the latest developments regarding COVID-19. Our responses will be informed by their professional recommendations and by the actions of community partners.If you are sick, do not come to the library. We recommend that all visitors educate themselves about the risks of the virus and follow all guidelines of the [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001AwcxIu3XtPmXpFobCS4fzh5-nZM6OZIwUGOfGGHnjKIxxpLAnLF9SRfqoTpnr2JGvwrVE7gK58MP25SjuwFcIRxQTLFqwwbSH8cWFKHqf8nBOE3b9Z8bBPRHixTWXVUAM5kFnQ8ErgQ=&c=xpzU4aM0yhOngcheT4A8QYrLfDgUXCzQMu2qSPItIrLi-P5GcVmLBg==&ch=lE4oVAiyPIK1Esp34IDbIaziQyy4nV507Qksai3LIg11WoLIbv2rDA==) and the [World Health Organization](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001AwcxIu3XtPmXpFobCS4fzh5-nZM6OZIwUGOfGGHnjKIxxpLAnLF9SRfqoTpnr2JG46qzRWBaX5UAKF5pJ2g98Bs8gqxv7BrA6aQWMr7VPBOXWJc2gdglUYTtAIw71hocCp5U4PGVhUU=&c=xpzU4aM0yhOngcheT4A8QYrLfDgUXCzQMu2qSPItIrLi-P5GcVmLBg==&ch=lE4oVAiyPIK1Esp34IDbIaziQyy4nV507Qksai3LIg11WoLIbv2rDA==)before visiting the library. We have rearranged seating and computers wherever possible to institute the CDC standard of social distancing in public spaces. While in the library, we recommend people keep at least six feet apart from one another and avoid close contact including handshakes and hugging.Library staff members have been instructed to stay home if they are sick.We are investigating ways to continue providing limited library services in the event we are forced to close our physical space. Digital services, including [streaming movies,](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001AwcxIu3XtPmXpFobCS4fzh5-nZM6OZIwUGOfGGHnjKIxxpLAnLF9SRfqoTpnr2JGFOYN7Ny7Dy-oO3i0GM31WVu1gPdhMp5TMUBCnQyHM9YRUhlXrhk8JfSGc2y8oF_R9Z4fgXSjDi7DXAF80eV9knbMmvEbwO03Mj1GnG0yse8uAfRSFKZ3khXFCppAHbYv&c=xpzU4aM0yhOngcheT4A8QYrLfDgUXCzQMu2qSPItIrLi-P5GcVmLBg==&ch=lE4oVAiyPIK1Esp34IDbIaziQyy4nV507Qksai3LIg11WoLIbv2rDA==) [e-books](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001AwcxIu3XtPmXpFobCS4fzh5-nZM6OZIwUGOfGGHnjKIxxpLAnLF9SRfqoTpnr2JG-NZHVUval0i1mILZ-jTSpbQT3msyeObjUADEFmXVvSLdUsYGchSCf8Zfy36HTeEA6TyNaDlB8_SfVCPwEJYvhcMpCPBPZxJFjajq_sO7Whcc5zZ40-viIyUSmSqaO547&c=xpzU4aM0yhOngcheT4A8QYrLfDgUXCzQMu2qSPItIrLi-P5GcVmLBg==&ch=lE4oVAiyPIK1Esp34IDbIaziQyy4nV507Qksai3LIg11WoLIbv2rDA==)and [audiobooks](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001AwcxIu3XtPmXpFobCS4fzh5-nZM6OZIwUGOfGGHnjKIxxpLAnLF9SRfqoTpnr2JGZiaYZdJh3aTMKCD4X6UQY4B0jhzAXyrh1Xxrlwenlt2UjoMqQ3KpJ6j-DrzUSDbzLF0VrxPttQRPCzL3nxMfuRxtq7tGKoaRAX8gYvduPRPg4T1T_JOOs6WkSBvCb5CHvidkzg2vAis=&c=xpzU4aM0yhOngcheT4A8QYrLfDgUXCzQMu2qSPItIrLi-P5GcVmLBg==&ch=lE4oVAiyPIK1Esp34IDbIaziQyy4nV507Qksai3LIg11WoLIbv2rDA==) and homework help through[Brainfuse,](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001AwcxIu3XtPmXpFobCS4fzh5-nZM6OZIwUGOfGGHnjKIxxpLAnLF9SV_KpU9qU94yj6LMOc591TaPuJ4C9rg9Vk4WQJbPvbmkEy74zYr2KzHfVTs72CJXGm_uVVu3h-60eFG9vA8Zt78LqO_OBiSsDojcw1Pxh2uHM_dqGXK13Iauxp0M33PGyPe2LiyqUVZpwrSqwGQzilg=&c=xpzU4aM0yhOngcheT4A8QYrLfDgUXCzQMu2qSPItIrLi-P5GcVmLBg==&ch=lE4oVAiyPIK1Esp34IDbIaziQyy4nV507Qksai3LIg11WoLIbv2rDA==) will continue to be available during a potential closure.Since part of our mission is to keep a civically engaged community informed, staff members are ready to help the public assess the veracity of information being shared online about the virus. We continue to rely on information provided by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and recommend that members of the public use the CDC website as their primary source of information.  |

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| **All library programs, outreach and meetings have been canceled through April 5, at which time we will reassess.** **As of now, the library building remains open. Study and meeting rooms will remain closed until further notice.****Your Questions Answered**The library building is cleaned each day at closing. This cleaning includes a wiping down with a cleaning solution of hard surfaces contacted by our customers.Our materials are usually not cleaned when they are returned to the library or after they are used in the building unless they show visible signs of damage, such as a stain. We do not have sufficient resources to safely and efficiently clean the thousands of items returned every day.The library is open 62 hours per week and more than 350 days a year. Recognizing the central role of the library in the community, it is always our intention to remain open as many hours as we can safely be of service. That said, we are planning for sudden and unexpected closures that are in the best interest of the health of the community.**Additional resources**[Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001AwcxIu3XtPmXpFobCS4fzh5-nZM6OZIwUGOfGGHnjKIxxpLAnLF9SRfqoTpnr2JGKZnKtBTUVfYEtma7myQnSjy1ephm6iCTC4dF-7y3TeHCkBVFi2-D1TG0GcZyb-i_Qc44m4anVuJKenZbaJGAgxWfPfQ_unx7j_6AkjNBhjRKw6yYFzYqudIC8WUUF04SYshpSFcKzkg=&c=xpzU4aM0yhOngcheT4A8QYrLfDgUXCzQMu2qSPItIrLi-P5GcVmLBg==&ch=lE4oVAiyPIK1Esp34IDbIaziQyy4nV507Qksai3LIg11WoLIbv2rDA==)[New Jersey Department of Health](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001AwcxIu3XtPmXpFobCS4fzh5-nZM6OZIwUGOfGGHnjKIxxpLAnLF9SRfqoTpnr2JGGdjgkre0XfZg7p7uU6D_iKUZ1VkZGkWDUKw4VVf9tl1i2Tz7Z_aVPsxi6eufqqc7ajTCnFpHuM4sltN-e_TEReRf1sQABJ3Q9RULoXt7yHYjFNpeNk3LwA==&c=xpzU4aM0yhOngcheT4A8QYrLfDgUXCzQMu2qSPItIrLi-P5GcVmLBg==&ch=lE4oVAiyPIK1Esp34IDbIaziQyy4nV507Qksai3LIg11WoLIbv2rDA==)[Princeton Health Department](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001AwcxIu3XtPmXpFobCS4fzh5-nZM6OZIwUGOfGGHnjKIxxpLAnLF9SRfqoTpnr2JGGinjOEPv2vBtb-s8gl3ZtihHjFHvwFCS17q8wWJjWBTYGqqZuN0ysjHwJPn9fMWVONi_El6GFq5R5xeeG8A0SWazM7EjNxGvOz9P_EKMryFXoitI8ENSGoKB5h4dVlc0&c=xpzU4aM0yhOngcheT4A8QYrLfDgUXCzQMu2qSPItIrLi-P5GcVmLBg==&ch=lE4oVAiyPIK1Esp34IDbIaziQyy4nV507Qksai3LIg11WoLIbv2rDA==) |

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