



### **5-7-2020 UPDATE from the Library Director on COVID-19**

We are all anxious to get back to SDL, and we look forward to serving you there once again. For safety's sake, reopening of the building will occur in phases. When staff are able to return to the building, we will begin making changes that are necessary to allow public interactions in a safe manner. In the meantime, library staff continue to work from home on many things including ordering library materials, preparing virtual programs, and planning for the eventual reopening of the Library.

Once the Library is allowed to reopen the building to the public, pick-up of reserved materials is the only in-person service that will be offered. Reserves may be requested most easily through the library catalog and will also be accepted by email and phone at a later date.

Additional in-person services will be slowly phased in as safety permits.

Our annual Summer Reading Program will still take place, but the format will be rather different from past years. We will still encourage people of all ages to participate.

We expect that visits to the Library will look very different for quite a while. At this time, we cannot be certain about any dates or how long any new service phases will be in effect. Please continue to watch our website for more details.

**The Library will remain closed at least through May 28th**, with an opening date yet to be determined. While we know this closure is difficult for many, we must do what is best for the community, including the library staff, to stay healthy.

We miss seeing you at the Library!

**Thank you for your understanding and assistance in keeping our community safe.**

**Mary Ellen Mulcrone, Library Director**