10-10-2020 UPDATE from the Library Director

During the time that the library building was required to be closed, library management worked to develop a plan for a phased reopening of the building in order to keep our community and staff healthy and safe.

Currently we are in Stage 3 of our five-stage plan. This includes people coming into the building to pick up materials reserved for them. In addition to this, our staff continues to provide nearly all of our usual services, including a wide variety of virtual programs for all ages, take-and-make craft kits, book discussions, online author visits, reference services by phone and email, remote printing, wifi access on the grounds, and more. In fact, the only regular services not currently available are computers and meeting spaces.

The next stage in our reopening plan will include more access to some parts of the building, as well as some public computer access. We do not have a date set for moving to this next stage. We continue to monitor information about the pandemic from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the State of Michigan, and the Washtenaw County Health Department. This will determine when it is prudent and safe for the community and the library staff to move forward in the reopening plan.

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