



COVID-19

AND HOW TENNESSEE PUBLIC LIBRARIES ARE RESPONDING



Partners in Communities

Libraries are more relevant than ever during this crisis. They continue to serve as integral partners in outreach services, leaders in education, and virtual hubs for their local communities. For a current list of services, call, visit your local library's website, or view their Facebook page.



Library services continue while buildings remain closed:

-  **healthcare resources**
<https://www.tntel.info/>
-  **virtual storytime**
using Facebook and Youtube
-  **digital resources**
eBooks, audiobooks, magazines, streaming videos, etc.
-  **educational resources**
test prep, primary source materials, etc.
-  **curbside services**
holds and returns
-  **free wifi**
some via parking lot while closed
-  **teen/adult programs**
using Zoom, Google Hangouts
-  **E-gov services**
taxes online, Census reporting, unemployment filings, etc.
-  **outreach**
libraries calling patrons to check on them

Caring for Books & Videos

Materials are disinfected and placed in quarantine for at least 24 hours before being loaned again, per advice from the CDC.

Additional Resources

-  **TENNESSEE ELECTRONIC LIBRARY - www.tntel.info**
24/7 access to primary source materials, genealogy records, test prep, career search tools, language learning, homework help, and more!
-  **REGIONAL EBOOK & AUDIOBOOK DOWNLOAD SYSTEM**
<https://reads.overdrive.com/> - Provides eBooks, audiobooks, magazines, and videos free to residents with the TN regional library system.

