When communities are in crisis, public libraries step up to help. We are currently under the unusual circumstances where we need to serve our community by closing the doors of our physical library. However, the Findlay-Hancock County Public Library is still here to serve. Our digital collections through the Ohio Digital Library (Libby) and hoopla are open 24/7, as are our many databases. We’re making new Digital Library Cards for patrons just discovering the library and helping our existing patrons remember their log in information. We continue to work to find new ways to bring you library services in this challenging time. This newsletter shares many of the digital services we’ve long provided, as well as some new ideas to keep you connected.

Library leaders from around the state are working to answer the tough questions about when and how libraries will be able to safely open our physical locations again. Until then, please visit us virtually. I and the rest of the staff of the Findlay-H Hancock County Public Library look forward to seeing you in the library again soon.
The Findlay-Hancock County Public Library is committed to the health and safety of our patrons, staff and community and made the difficult decision to close all library branches on Saturday, March 14 at 5 p.m. through at least Sunday, April 5. The latest information available from Governor DeWine’s office indicates “aggressive early social distancing” is critical to stemming the spread of coronavirus.

As previously reported, we will be working with Lisa Wingate and the Marathon Center for the Performing Arts to reschedule our CommunityREAD Feature Event with Ms. Wingate. Your tickets will be honored for the new date.

Patrons are asked to hold on to their checked-out items rather than return them. Items currently checked out will have their due dates extended. If you have an item on the holds shelf it will remain there until the library reopens.

We know this is a difficult time for our community. We will resume service as soon as is appropriate. You can find the latest updates on the library’s website at www.findlaylibrary.org or on our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/FHCPL/

Your library card is your key to unlimited sources of information, continuing education, cultural opportunities and recreation!
What is a Digital Library Card and Why Should I Get One?

If you don’t already have a library card, you can apply online to get a Digital Library Card so that you can still access our fantastic resources! If you already have a card, all you need to do is go to our website, click on the E-Media tab and choose the resource you’d like to browse for books, movies and more! Just sign in with your library card information and you’re ready to go!

If you don’t have a card yet, you can get a Digital Library Card online. Just click HERE and sign up to get started!

We’ll miss seeing all of you while we’re closed, but you can still access many online resources with your library card or new Digital Library Card, such as eBooks, eMagazines, eAudiobooks, music and movies through the Ohio Digital Library, OverDrive (Libby) and hoopla. Checkout limits for hoopla will be increased from 10 to 20 per month during our closure. Additionally, many research and online learning tools are available in our online databases. You can find these resources on the library’s website at www.findlaylibrary.org in the E-Media tab.
You Can Still Get Books, Movies and A Lot More With Resources like hoopla, and OverDrive (Libby)!

What is hoopla?

hoopla digital partners with libraries across the United States and Canada to provide online and mobile access to eBooks, audiobooks, comics, music, movies, and TV. With hoopla and a valid library card, patrons can borrow, instantly stream, and download dynamic content via hoopla’s mobile app or www.hoopladigital.com. Simple to access and use, with no waiting and no hassles, hoopla digital is a service of Midwest Tape – a trusted partner of public libraries for over 25 years. All you need to get started is your library card and a web browser, smart phone, or tablet. Sign up today!

How Do I Get hoopla and OverDrive (Libby)?

1. Go to the library’s website at www.findlaylibrary.org
2. Click on the E-Media tab and choose hoopla, or OverDrive
3. Sign on with your library card information and start browsing!
4. There are special sections for KIDS on both resources!

What is OverDrive? (aka Libby)

OverDrive is a free service offered by your library that lets you borrow digital content like ebooks and audiobooks anytime, anywhere. Every OverDrive collection is slightly different because each library picks the digital content they want for their users. All you need to get started with free digital content from your library is your library card!

You can also go to your app provider on your cell phone or tablet (Google Play or Apple App Store) and download the hoopla &Overdrive (Libby) Apps! Sign on with your library card information and get started! If you have any questions, we're here to help. Just click HERE to contact our Staff!
Virtual Tours & Exhibits for Online Learning and Fun!

Lions, tigers, and bears…paintings, sculptures, and digital art! Children can continue their learning by “visiting” museums, art galleries, zoos, or aquariums online from the comfort of their own homes. Virtual tours, exhibits, and activities provide learning opportunities about arts and culture, animals, history, and more.

**Museums and Galleries**

- **Akron Art Museum** - View some of the museum's 5000 pieces of art.
- **The British Museum** - A virtual tour featuring the museum's famous artifacts.
- **The Cleveland Museum of Art** - Learn about current and upcoming exhibits.
- **Children's Museum Cleveland** - Check out stories, crafts, and activities students can do at home.
- **Google Art Project** - Online exhibits from the world's most famous museums.
- **#metkids** - The Metropolitan Museum of Art's website for, with and by kids.
- **Musee du Louvre** - View some of the world's most famous masterpieces in Paris.
- **National Museum of Natural History** - Tour the Hall of Mammals, Hall of Geology, Gems, and Minerals, the Hall of Fossils and more!

**Zoos and Aquariums**

- **Columbus Zoo and Aquarium** - From A-Z, learn about more animals from this Columbus Zoo Animal Guide.
- **Cincinnati Zoo and Botanical Garden** - Keep learning while the zoo is closed with a Home Safari video highlighting a different animal every day with activities.
- **Cleveland Metroparks Zoo** - This resource features information on animals living at the zoo.
- **Houston Zoo** - The zoo is home to rhinos, chimps, elephants, giraffes and more! Watch them on their live webcams.
- **Maryland Zoo** - Live webcams featuring penguins, giraffes, flamingos, and goats, including during feeding times.
- **Zoo Atlanta** - Check out the zoo's adorable Panda Cams!
For questions you have about COVID-19, please call 1 (833) 4-ASK-ODH from the hours of 9 am -8 pm.

Stay up-to-date on the situation in Ohio on Twitter:@GovMikeDeWine, @LtGovHusted and @OHDeptofHealth

Watch Gov. DeWine's daily press conferences at 2 pm at www.OhioChannel.org
NEED INFORMATION OR HELP?
Click the organization's logo to go to their website

**Ohio Department of Health**
The Ohio Department of Health offers a range of public health information, tools and resources. Our mission is to "Advance the health and well-being of all Ohioans."

**Hancock County Department of Health**
"Improving ourselves and our communities
Promoting public health and prevention of disease
Protecting people and the environment"

**Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)**
As the nation's health protection agency, CDC saves lives and protects people from health, safety, and security threats.

**Hancock Helps**
Hancock Helps links visitors to emergency numbers, mental health screenings, support meetings and just about any kind of help a Hancock County resident would need.

**50 North**
50 North is here to help with everyday concerns that affect seniors, including legal assistance, transportation, Medicare, counseling, and more. 50 North's programs can improve physical, social, spiritual, emotional, mental and economic well-being.

**Hancock County Resource Call Center**
**419.425.9999**
9 am – 8 pm Monday through Friday.
What Resources are Available on the Library's Website and Online to Help Me Continue My Child's or My Education From Home?

Click each logo to go to the website!

Khan Academy offers practice exercises, instructional videos, and personalized learning that empowers learners to study at their own pace in and outside the classroom. Programs are geared toward learners of all ages. Khan Academy also provides tools for parents and teachers.

Visit www.khanacademy.org and click “Sign up” at the top, right of the screen. Choose whether you are joining as a learner, teacher, or parent and enter your date of birth. You will be asked to select courses that interest you to get started. Once you’re logged in you can browse all available courses. *Khan Academy currently displays a notice about how it can be used for remote learning during school closure.

Made accessible by Ohio Means Jobs, LearningExpress Library provides support to students and professionals. Several courses aim to help users build business skills, such as productivity and public speaking, and computer skills, such as Internet basics and using Microsoft Office Products.

Visit www.ohiomeansjobs.com and click the 'Online Training' link at the bottom of the screen. You can click the green 'Access Learning Express Anonymously' button or sign in to begin!

Lynda.com provides self-directed, self-paced online learning for users of any skill level and covers a wide variety of topics, including business, advertising, computer skills, education, writing, and so much more.

Go to www.findlaylibrary.org. Click on the "Adults" tab and scroll down to Online Reference Collection and click. Scroll down the alphabetical list and choose Lynda.com. Use your library card information to log on!

Mango is an online language learning system with over 70 language courses, including English as a Second Language courses for speakers of 21 languages. You can create a free account or access Mango as a guest.

Visit www.findlaylibrary.org and click the “Adults” tab & click “Online Reference Collection” choose “Language Learning” from the Categories on the left side of the screen. Mango is the first choice. You will need your library card number and pin to get started.
INFOhio transforms student learning by providing equitable access to quality resources and instructional and technical support for each student, educator, and parent in Ohio. Go to INFOhio.org or CLICK THE LOGO ABOVE for access to these two fun, educational resources and MUCH more!

Animated classic storybooks introduce early learners to the delights of reading while sparking curiosity, creating a natural springboard into the paired nonfiction text for deeper discovery. Go to Bookflix by clicking the picture to the left!

Kids InfoBits is the perfect educational product for today’s young learners. It is a content-rich, authoritative, easy-to-use digital resource featuring age-appropriate, reliable, curriculum-related content covering a broad range of educational topics. Click the picture to the right to start!
Our WiFi is on for you.

Connect from our parking lot and spaces outside the building.
Discover your family history @ your library

Provides a great amount of genealogy and ancestry information.

Click

Scroll down to Ancestry and click to get started!
Miss coming to the library for Storytime & Makerspace? We miss you, too! That's why we created Virtual Storytime and Virtual Makerspace!

**Virtual Makerspace**
Tuesdays at 2:00 pm on our Facebook page!

**Virtual Storytime**
Mondays and Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. on our Facebook page and our website at www.findlaylibrary.org
Have a Question?
Our Staff is Still Available for YOU!
Click HERE!
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Findlay, Ohio 45840
419-422-1712

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232 North Main Street
Arlington, Ohio 45814
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Contact us by Department:

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Book Cellar 419-434-1044
Children's 419-434-1077
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Temporarily Unavailable
By Phone
Dear Friends,

Thank you for your patience and support during this difficult time. We will re-open as soon as safely possibly. Please follow us on social media for the most up-to-date information.

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Click each logo to get to our social media pages
COVID-19
Stay informed about Coronavirus with credible resources.

Ohio Department of Health - The Ohio Department of Health is sharing information about the current numbers of cases of COVID-19 in Ohio and provides tips to prevent and prepare for illness.
  • Visit odh.ohio.gov

CDC - Centers for Disease Control and Prevention is sharing information about the current cases of COVID-19 in the United States and provides information about symptoms, prevention and treatment, and more.
  • Visit cdc.gov

Medline Plus - The National Institute of Health’s website has information about Coronavirus on its homepage.
  • Visit our website, www.findlaylibrary.org
  • Go to the “Adults” tab and select “Online Reference Collection”
  • Search the Health & Medicine Category for Medline Plus

Merck Manuals - One of the world’s most widely used medical information resources provides information and commentary on COVID-19.
  • Visit our website, www.findlaylibrary.org
  • Go to the “Adults” tab and select “Online Reference Collection”
  • Search the Health & Medicine Category for Merck Manuals

If you would like assistance with these resources, please stop by the Reference Desk or call 419-422-1712.