



## MILWAUKEE PUBLIC LIBRARY

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### MILWAUKEE PUBLIC LIBRARY TO RESTORE FULL SERVICE

**MILWAUKEE** – Just in time for the launch of the Milwaukee Public Library Summer Reading Programs, today it was announced that a planned restoration of hours at all 13 locations as well as the reopening of all meeting rooms and public spaces for reservations will begin Monday, June 6, 2022.

**“MPL has been there for our community in every way we could while we navigate the COVID-19 pandemic,”** said Library Director Joan Johnson. **“Virtual programming, enhancing our digital offerings, curbside service of materials, lending Hotspots and Chromebooks for at-home use have all allowed us to continue to help our community read, learn and connect. This final step of opening all public spaces and restoring hours to what was budgeted for in 2022 is a cause for celebration.”**

The Central Library will be open Monday-Tuesday, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., Wednesday-Friday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday hours of 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. begin in October. The Frank P. Zeidler Room will be open Monday-Tuesday, Noon to 8 p.m., Wednesday-Friday, Noon to 6 p.m. and Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The Drive-Up is open Monday-Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Ready Reference telephone service (414.286.3011) will be available Monday-Friday, 10 a.m. 6 p.m. and Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

All 12 branch libraries will be open Monday-Tuesday, Noon to 8 p.m., Wednesday-Friday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. They are closed on Sundays. Patrons are also encouraged to continue checking out Chromebooks and Hotspots to take home for even greater access to library programs and resources, thanks to generous support from the [Milwaukee Public Library Foundation](#).

A complete list of Milwaukee Public Library [locations and hours](#) of service is available on the library’s website at [mpl.org/hours\\_locations](http://mpl.org/hours_locations). Patrons of all ages can [sign up for the Summer Reading Programs](#) at [mpl.org/summerreading](http://mpl.org/summerreading) or by visiting any library location. Meeting rooms at all locations may be reserved online at [mpl.org/libraryspaces](http://mpl.org/libraryspaces).

For more information, please visit [www.mpl.org](http://www.mpl.org) and follow the library on Facebook, Twitter, YouTube and Instagram.

#### **About Milwaukee Public Library**

Milwaukee Public Library is an anchor institution that helps build healthy families and vibrant neighborhoods – the foundation of a strong Milwaukee. Since 1878, Milwaukee Public Library has been a free provider of education and information for residents of Milwaukee and beyond. With 13 locations, and more than three million items in circulation, MPL offers free access to a rich collection of materials both physical and digital, access to technology, classes, exhibitions, programming and more. From toddlers to scholars, MPL serves more than one million patrons who come through its doors annually and many more around the globe who use its resources at [www.mpl.org](http://www.mpl.org). To offer this wide array of free programming, MPL relies on both public and private funding. Learn more about how to support Milwaukee Public Library at [mpl.org/support](http://mpl.org/support).

