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Flagler Main Branch Library curbside operations reinstated Tuesday, April 7

April 6, 2020 – Flagler County will reinstate curbside operations at its Main Branch Library at 9 a.m. on Tuesday, April 7.

"We are very excited for our patrons," said Library Director Holly Albanese. "Especially since we have been asking residents to stay at home, having access to books and videos is extremely important."

The Library shut down its already abbreviated services on March 31 in an abundance of caution, as a small number of its staff were experiencing symptoms similar to COVID-19. That caution is no longer necessary.

Hours will be weekdays from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Main Branch in Palm Coast, and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in Bunnell.

"Use of online resources and e-books is recommended as much as possible," Albanese said. "You may call or use the online catalog to have items pulled from the shelves. Once an item is pulled you will be notified via phone, email or text message. The patron will then be required to call customer service prior to arrival, and staff will bring items to front door."

A photo ID will be needed for Library pick-up.

Residents can all use hoopla for digital assets. Information is available here: http://flaglercounty.org/departments/library/books_and_more/Hoopla.php.

All fines will be suspended until further notice. The County IT Department extended wifi reach into the parking lot so patrons will not have to leave the vehicle to gain access to the Internet. Please call the Library 386-446-6763 for additional information.

Officials urge all residents and businesses to abide by Executive and Emergency Orders, and follow Florida Department of Health and CDC guidance, to include:

- Staying home except when engaged in essential services or activities
- Wearing cloth face coverings when out in public
- Practicing aggressive social distancing at all times people should keep a minimum of 6 feet of space between one another, and keep groups to less than 10, which includes while shopping and waiting in the check-out line
- Frequent hand washing for at least 20 seconds, or use an alcohol-based (at least 60% alcohol) hand sanitizer when soap and water are not available
- Avoiding close contact with people who are, or may be, sick

Additionally, those who are sick and/or told to self-isolate are to: remain at home unless seeking medical care, cover coughs and sneezes, wear a facemask around others, and disinfect touched surfaces daily.

COVID-19 health related questions or concerns should be directed to your regular healthcare provider or the Florida Health hotline at 866-779-6121.

COVID-19 business concerns should be directed to the Florida Department of Business & Professional Regulation at 866-532-1440.

All other COVID-19 government services questions or concerns may be directed to a specific municipality or the Emergency Operations Center at 386-313-4200.

Check for current information on Flagler County's website www.flaglercounty.org, and follow "Flagler County Government" or "Flagler County Emergency Management" on Social Media. The county's social media team will provide updates through these official accounts:

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