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Find the Library at Your Place this National Library Week April 19-25

Worcester, MA – During National Library Week, the Worcester Public Library invites all community members to find the library at their place by visiting the website mywpl.org to access virtual services and resources. While the library’s physical spaces may be closed temporarily due to COVID-19, the public can discover eBooks, movies, virtual help-desks, online storytimes and much more - all from home.

April 19-25, 2020 is National Library Week, a time to highlight the valuable role libraries, librarians and library workers play in transforming lives and strengthening communities. This National Library Week, the public can show their appreciation and support for libraries by visiting their library’s website, following them on social media and using the hashtag #NationalLibraryWeek.

The original theme for National Library Week, “Find your place at the library,” was chosen months ago before the emergence of a global pandemic would force libraries to close their buildings. In response to our rapidly-changing times, the theme was revised to “Find the library at your place” to bring attention to how libraries are open for business online, offering the remote services and digital content their communities need now more than ever.

In times of crisis, libraries respond to their community’s needs in innovative and inspiring ways. Throughout the coronavirus pandemic, libraries of all types are continuing to make a difference in people’s lives by providing electronic learning resources, including virtual help, online crafting and DIY sessions as well as sharing information about available community resources. At WPL, there are...
a wide array of virtual services such as reference help, virtual visits, book recommendation services, community reading programs, virtual books clubs, and census help, just to name a few.

First sponsored in 1958, National Library Week is a national observance sponsored by the American Library Association (ALA) and libraries of all types across the country each April.

For more information on the Worcester Public Library and a complete list of resources and services visit mywpl.org. For more information on National Library Week contact Linnea Sheldon, Community Relations and Communications Manager, at 508-799-1654.

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