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State Orders Closing of All Public Libraries

Online resources including those of the New Brunswick Free Public Library will remain fully accessible

NEW BRUNSWICK, NJ (March 21, 2020) – Governor Phil Murphy has ordered the indefinite closure of all municipal, state, and county public libraries, including those located within all public and private higher education institutions. Computer laboratories are also closed as a result of this order.

In a [tweet](#) released Saturday morning, the Governor shared his regret in having to make the decision to close the libraries, calling them “a critical part of the

fabric of our communities,” but called his actions needed to “slow the spread of #COVID-19.”

While the impact this order has on the physical resources of the [New Brunswick Free Public Library](#) is obvious, you are reminded that numerous materials are still available online, including access to reference materials, audio and e-books, resume and career assistance resources and your favorite music, movies, and comics and much more. Simply visit nbfpl.org for more information and to access the library’s vast online resources.

The City of New Brunswick is the county seat for Middlesex County and home of Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, the world headquarters for Johnson & Johnson and two globally-renowned hospitals. New Brunswick is an educationally-focused City as well as “The Healthcare City.”

All of New Brunswick’s developments provide seamless access to major transportation lines and an extensive dining scene and an arts district, located in its bustling downtown. The City is focused not only on bringing in new residents and businesses, but also on improving the lives of every one of its residents.

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