



Library Flooring Project

Library will be closed

Scheduled for August/September

The Prairie Trails Public Library District will be undergoing an extensive flooring replacement project. It will be inclusive of approximately 90% of the library. The rooms involved are the youth services department, adult services department, the circulation department and all staff offices.

This project was anticipated by the Board of Trustees in its Strategic Planning process. The monies have therefore been set aside to pay for this anticipated endeavor. We wish to be extremely clear – there has been NO tax increase – NO loan – NO bonds taken to cover the cost of this project.

This undertaking includes the moving/storing of shelving units/ desks/ computers /materials, the removal of the current flooring, preparation/repair of cement slab, installation of new flooring, relocating of all shelving units/ desks/ computers/ materials and the dusting/vacuuming/cleaning of the library prior to reopening for patron use.

DATES OF CLOSURE:

August 7 through September 13, 2014

Last day open to the public before project begins: Wednesday, August 6 – 9a.m. to 9 p.m.

First day open to the public after project ends: Monday, September 15 – 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

The return/drop box *will be closed* during this undertaking. **No library services will be offered during the closing.** Patrons **ARE** able to use their library cards at neighboring libraries within the RAILS system.

During this time frame:

- No renewal or editing of patron cards at any library
- No inter-library loans
- No inter-library loan renewals at any library
- PTPLD loan materials **MAY** be renewed **ONLINE** or at another RAILS library. (Please note that not *all* materials may be renewed.)
- Materials **MAY** be returned at other RAILS libraries (Oak Lawn, Bridgeview, Bedford Park, etc.)
- **DO NOT return materials to Chicago Public Library**
- Drop box stays closed

The last time the library was closed for the installation of carpeting was in 1999, fifteen years ago. It has seen a great deal of wear and tear over the years with the thousands of patrons who have visited our facility.

We realize that this will be an inconvenience for our patrons, and for that we are truly sorry. However, we have a duty to keep the facility in good condition for all of our users and staff. We strongly feel that the library is an asset to the communities and patrons we serve. We strive to keep it up-to-date and appealing for all users. *Thank you* for your kind understanding of our need. Please note that we have chosen the time frame in which our library has traditionally had the least amount of usage by patrons to undertake this project.

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Library Board

Meeting

The Library Board will meet on Thursday, August 14, at 7:30 p.m.

at

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The meetings are open to the public.

Immediate neighboring RAILS Libraries:

Oak Lawn Public Library
9427 Raymond Ave, Oak Lawn, IL 60453
(708)422-4990 oaklawnlibrary.org

Bridgeview Public Library
7840 W 79th St, Bridgeview, IL 60455
(708)458-2880 bridgeviewlibrary.org

Stickney-Forest View Public Library
6800 43rd St., Stickney, IL 60402
(708)749-1050 sfvpld.org

Bedford Park Public Library District
7816 W 65th Pl, Summit Argo, IL 60501
(708)458-6826 bplib.net

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REMINDER:

*If your library card will need to be renewed **before** October 2014, please come to the library on or before August 6. We will renew it at that time so that you may use your card at a neighboring library when PTPLD will be closed.*

If you wish a new card – also see us on or before August 6, 2014.

Please note:

Chicago Public Library is NOT a member of RAILS (Reaching Across Illinois Library System). The above libraries and neighboring suburban communities *are* members – Summit, Justice, Chicago Ridge, Green Hills (Palos Hills/Hickory Hills), Alsip, Evergreen Park, Worth, etc.