

### The Louisville Free Public Library Provides Access to Knowledge

As you know, the Louisville Free Public Library has temporarily shut its doors, but during this time of uncertainty and social distancing, LFPL is still providing a doorway to information and learning. It is because of the need for this access to knowledge and online resources that I continue to ask for your support.

# Yes, even with its doors closed, LFPL is still bridging the physical distance between us and allowing our community to continue to learn, grow, and engage.

Digital services – such as public information websites, eBooks, eMagazines, streaming movies and books, and online learning platforms – are vital during these times of social distancing. That is why LFPL has recently made it possible for people without library cards to get one online at LFPL.org or by calling (502) 574-1781.

Of course, a library is more than its digital resources. For some patrons, the physical closure is merely an inconvenience, while for others – such as children seeking a safe place to spend the day or lonely people looking for human connection at programs and meetings – it is a devastating loss. Today's crisis clearly demonstrates how important it is to ensure that LFPL has the necessary resources to serve the community both digitally, now during this time of social distancing, and physically, later when we once again gather in community.

As we look to the future, we know that libraries will continue to provide important services to the public. They will need more books, not fewer. They will need more digital connection, not less. That is why, even when times are uncertain and our normal lives are disrupted, your support of the Library Foundation's spring appeal is needed.

#### Please help us prepare for the future by making your gift now!

Sincerely,

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Chandra Gordon, Executive Director

Below you will find a list of many of the items I reference above. Please take advantage of all the wonderful resources our public library provides for you and share them with your friends and family!

## Ways the Library can help you stay informed, entertained, and engaged—<u>FREE</u>—without leaving your home.



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