Thank you Ocean County Library customers for your continued patience and support during this extraordinary time.

On July 2nd the Executive Order signed by our Governor permits libraries the ability to reopen at 25%.

The Ocean County Library continues to provide service in the safest way possible.

Library staff and customers are required to wear a cloth face covering while in the indoor portion of the premises, except when doing so would inhibit that individual’s health or where the individual is under 2 years of age, as per Executive Order 157 of the Governor of the State of New Jersey. Door-side service is available for any customer who cannot wear a cloth face covering due to a health condition.

Hours of Operation
Toms River, Berkeley, Brick, Jackson, Lacey, Lakewood, Manchester
Monday through Thursday 10 AM – 8 PM; Friday and Saturday 10 AM – 5 PM.

Barnegat, Little Egg Harbor, Point Pleasant Borough, Stafford
Monday 10 AM – 5 PM; Tuesday through Thursday 10 AM – 8 PM;
Friday and Saturday 10 AM – 5 PM.

Long Beach Island, Upper Shores
Monday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday 10 AM – 5 PM;
Tuesday and Wednesday 10 AM – 8 PM.

Beachwood, Island Heights, Plumsted, Point Pleasant Beach,
Tuckerton, Waretown, Bay Head, Whiting
Monday 10 AM – 8 PM; Tuesday through Saturday 10 AM – 2 PM.

Check in, Check out, & Fines
All materials returned will be quarantined for the recommended length of time set by public health officials, after which they will be checked in and added back to our collection. Contact-less pickup of materials is available, using our self-pick up holds and our self-check kiosks. Please remember to bring your library card to use the kiosks. Overdue fines will not accrue on materials during this time.

Public Spaces
Seating will be limited to allow for social distancing. At this time, our meeting rooms and quiet study areas will be utilized for the quarantining of materials. All in-person programs and events are suspended. Additionally, short-term browsing will be allowed; we ask that you are mindful of those wishing to use the library and limit your time spent in our libraries due to the limited 25% capacity.

Please continue to engage with us virtually through our website, which provides access to online resources, streaming movies, ebooks, and audio ebooks 24/7.

The Ocean County Library’s Lakewood Branch is closed until Wednesday, January 6 for cleaning after an employee tested positive for Covid-19.