# Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Information Page

The novel coronavirus (COVID-19) and its variants are proving an ongoing health threat to our service populations in the City of Martinsville, Henry County, and Patrick County with the number of cases once again rising in our area. The welfare of our communities is of utmost concern to us, and we believe the best way to safeguard that welfare is to take steps suggested by health officials and mandated by federal, state, and local governments. As such, we have drafted the following response to the current health crisis:

# **UPDATED 1/7/2021:**

# Beginning January 11, 2021 all branches will be temporarily closed to the public. Curbside service will be available Monday – Friday, 10 – 6.

Returned materials will be quarantined and may not be checked in for at least 3 days.

No late fees will be charged for any returned items.

Due to virus concerns, we are not accepting any book donations.

We are working with local and state officials and will update our <u>website</u> and <u>Facebook</u> pages respectively with any changes to those dates or services.

## **Library Programming**

All Library programming has been cancelled for the time being until it is safe to resume.

### **Official Information**

For official, up-to-date information on Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19), please visit:

- Virginia Department of Health Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Official Page
- North Carolina DHHS COVID-19 Case Count in North Carolina
- United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Page
- Martinsville City and Henry County <u>Informational Resources for COVID-19</u> (Coronavirus)

#### Check books out from home

The library offers patrons access to thousands of downloadable e-books, and audiobooks, for use on mobile devices, home computers and other devices. These are available now and will be available even if operating hours are impacted by COVID 19. Please make use of these resources, and call your library branch if you require assistance.

- RBDigital: Downloadable Magazines
- Libby/Overdrive: Downloadable e-books and e-audio
- Hoopla: e-books, e-audio, comics, music, movies and tv

The staff of the Blue Ridge Regional Library system would like to thank everyone for their patience during the COVID-19 outbreak and we look forward to the time when we can once again offer you full service.

