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Monmouth County Library Headquarters to Close for Renovations January 21, 2024

Manalapan, NJ – The Monmouth County Library Headquarters, located at 125 Symmes Drive in Manalapan, New Jersey, will close for approximately 4 months as the County embarks on an interior renovation project. Included will be upgrades and modernization of the building's reading and meeting rooms, electrical infrastructure, and ADA alterations to meet the 21st century needs of library patrons. The Library Headquarters was first built in 1987 and expanded in 2000.

The library will close on January 21 for in-person visits with an anticipated reopening in May. Door-side pickup of materials placed on hold will be available at Headquarters Monday through Friday, 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM, at the Archives entrance off Alexandria Drive and continue throughout the closure. Patrons will be called when items are available. The book drop will officially close on February 1, 2024 and remain inaccessible throughout the duration of the project. Library materials may be returned to any of the other twelve branches during the closure.

Monmouth County Library patrons are welcome to visit any of the other twelve branches during the renovation closure. County Library branches are located in Marlboro, Colts Neck, Howell, Shrewsbury, Allentown, Atlantic Highlands, Hazlet, Holmdel, Ocean Township, Oceanport, Wall Township, and West Long Branch. The library's online content, including ebooks, eMagazines, streaming video and research resources, is available 24/7 via the library's website at www.monmouthcountylib.org. Virtual programming is also available.

The scope of the renovation addresses finish upgrades, including flooring and painting, ceiling and lighting replacements, technology upgrades, furniture replacements and restroom updates. A new public address system will also be installed.

The project is funded by a \$1,950,000 New Jersey Public Library Construction Bond Act grant. Matching funds were procured through a capital improvement bond ordinance requested by the Monmouth County Library Commission and approved by the Monmouth County Board of County Commissioners.

Additional updates and advisories will be issued as the project progresses, and posted on the library website. All projections about the duration of the construction and temporary services are subject to change due to unforeseeable circumstances.