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Until we are able to welcome you back into the building, the library remains open for our popular curbside service. Patrons can get access to our e-library and other resources at dglibrary.org from the comfort of their home, 24/7. Our friendly staff is available to help through phone calls and email.

Thank you for your patience and support in keeping our community safe.

Staff email version:

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Thank you all for your continued hard work and flexibility in providing library service to our community. The success of our curbside service is astounding, regularly serving over 300 cars per day! Along with our health and safety success, this demonstrates that what we are doing is working to balance providing service and protecting the community and staff. When we reopen to the public, it will be with the same care and diligence that has led to our success in our pandemic response since March.