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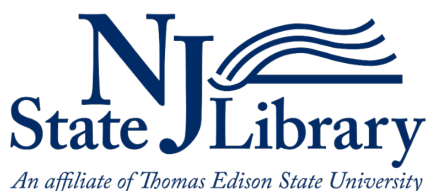
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*Weekly News Updates for New Jersey Public Libraries*



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## NJSL News and Events

## Learn About Displaced Homemaker Programs

This webinar, which will be held on March 24, 2020, will explain the Displaced Homemaker Programs available to New Jersey residents. The Displaced Homemaker Programs assist individuals with obtaining short term education certificates, employment opportunities, computer technology updates, resume writing, and career counseling with a goal of reaching economic self-sufficiency. Libraries serve individuals who may be displaced homemakers and have an opportunity to connect them to resources that could greatly benefit them. Partnering with local Displaced Homemaker Programs also provides an opportunity for libraries to extend services, offer new programs, or promote relevant services and events. [Learn more here](#) and [register here](#).

## Attend the Resource Development and Grant Writing Basics Workshop

The State Library, in partnership with Brittany Campese of Vision Driven Consulting, will host a workshop to teach the basics of resource development, fundraising, and grant writing. The workshop will be held on April 27, 2020 at the Cherry Hill Public Library and on April 28, 2020 at the Parsippany-Troy Hills Public Library. [Learn more and register here](#).

## NJLibsGrowsBiz Summit

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## Registration Open

The NJLibsGrowBiz Summit will be held on April 30, 2020 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Monmouth County Library in Manalapan. This event will focus on strengthening business services and outreach in libraries across New Jersey. Attendees will also have an opportunity to network with representatives from the New Jersey Economic Development Authority, UCEDC, and New Jersey Department of Taxation. [Learn more and register here.](#)

## Grant Opportunities and More

### Attend the Camden County Small Business Resources Workshop

The New Jersey State Library has been participating in events for small business owners and entrepreneurs sponsored by the NJ Economic Development Authority and Business Action Center. The next event will be held on March 11, 2020 at the James J. Florio Center for Public Service in Camden, NJ. [Learn more and register here.](#)

### New Jersey Historical Commission Project Grant Guidelines Available

The goal of the grant program is to engage diverse audiences in the active exploration, enjoyment, interpretation, understanding, and preservation of New Jersey history. Project grants are available to both individuals and organizations. Applicants can request up to \$25,000 in support of their project. Intent to apply forms are due March 11, 2020. [Learn more here.](#)

### Human Genetics Film Kits Available

Public libraries may apply to receive a Human Genetics Film Kit from the National Network of Libraries of Medicine. Human Genetics Film Kits contain a curated selection of materials, including a set of four DVD films on topics related to human genetics, designed

to support public libraries in raising scientific literacy and awareness of precision medicine. Through attending screenings of the films and participating in wraparound discussions, library patrons will learn about human genetics and the advance of precision medicine. Due to the limited number of film kits, priority will be given to members of the Association for Rural and Small Libraries. To participate, selected public libraries must host at least one film screening and post-screening discussion or activity within twelve months of receipt of the kit. The [application](#) deadline is March 16, 2020 for first consideration.

## Attend a Disaster Preparedness Workshop

The NJ Cultural Alliance for Response will host a workshop, "NJCAR Workshops in Disaster Preparedness for Cultural Institutions". This workshop will teach attendees about the disaster planning process and explore contents of a disaster plan, business continuity issues, and information about resources to help with planning in order to protect people and property. The workshop will be held on March 18, 2020 at the Middlesex Cultural and Heritage Offices and on March 19, 2020 at the Tuckerton Seaport. [Learn more and register here.](#)

## Lift Every Voice Grant Application Deadline Extended

The Library of America is accepting applications for its Lift Every Voice grant program. The principal objective of Lift Every Voice is to engage participants in a multifaceted exploration of the African American poetic tradition, the perspectives it offers on American history and the struggle for racial justice, and the universality of its portrait of the personal experiences of African Americans over three centuries. Lift Every Voice offers \$1,200 grants to 50 libraries, museums, and nonprofit cultural institutions to host a minimum of two public programs, at least one of which must be a discussion/reading group moderated by a scholar of African American literature designed to draw out and explore the project themes. The [application](#) deadline is March 20, 2020.

## HomeServe Cares Foundation Grant Application Open

HomeServe Cares Foundation is offering two grant awards up to \$20,000 each for projects, initiatives, or ongoing programs that target common spaces where community residents gather with family and friends for engagement, fun, and recreation. Focus areas include upgrades to existing facilities to accommodate residents with disabilities, refurbishment or replacement of equipment and facilities to ensure the safety of visitors, improvements to community centers or spaces aimed at inclusion and/or resident engagement, or establishment of new projects aimed at uniting communities through shared spaces. [Applications](#) are due March 24, 2020.

## Ezra Jack Keats Mini-Grants Application Open

Applications are open for the 2020 Ezra Jack Keats Mini-Grants. A Mini-Grant is an award of up to \$500 that the Ezra Jack Keats Foundation gives to eligible organizations to provide creative, innovative programs that support or extend the Common Core Standards in education. Programs may serve children from preschool to grade 12. Both public

libraries and public schools are eligible to apply. The [application](#) deadline is March 31, 2020.

**As always, we look forward to your feedback. Please don't hesitate to forward any questions or concerns to the team in NJSL's Office of Communications, Marketing & Outreach.**

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