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Weekly News Updates for New Jersey Public Libraries

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[Diabetes: Medication, Nutrition, and Activity Program Recap](#)

[Beauty brands are improving accessibility for visually impaired customers](#)

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Upcoming NJSL Events

April 9 @ 12:30 pm - 1:30 pm
[When Parents Separate or Divorce: Addressing Issues Concerning A Child with Autism](#)

Governor Murphy Expands Eligibility for New Jersey's COVID-19 Vaccination Program

Beginning Monday, April 5, librarians and support staff at municipal, county, and state libraries will be eligible to receive the vaccine. Read the full press release [here](#).

Members Needed for LSTA Advisory Council and Library Network Review Board

April 12 @ 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm
[The Great Outdoors: The Friends of Hopewell Valley Open Space](#)

April 13 @ 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm
[Author Talk – Simon Lake & John Holland: New Jersey Submarine Inventors](#)

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Continuing Education and Training Opportunities

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The New Jersey State Library convenes both a Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) Advisory Council and the Library Network Review Board on a semi-annual basis. We're looking for new members for each body to fill terms that ended during the last year.
[Learn more...](#)

NJSL in the News!

The State Library's **Fresh Start @ Your Library** program was featured on *NPR, Weekend Edition Sunday*. Listen to the podcast and read the full feature article [here](#).

LCBA Round Two Grant Solicitation

Gov. Murphy has announced the launch of the second round of grant solicitations for the Library Construction Bond Act.
[Read more...](#)

Grant Opportunity for NJ Public Libraries

NJSL is pleased to announce CARES Act mini-grants for public libraries. These grants are designed to assist in mitigating the effects of the pandemic for both libraries and their patrons. The primary goal of the grants is to improve access to technology for the public library's customers.
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American Rescue Plan Act of 2021

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The State Library will receive an allotment of \$3,935,345 from the Institute of Museum and Library Services' (IMLS) ARPA budget. We just received the news, and are starting to plan for spending. If you have thoughts, suggestions or ideas on how we can best benefit the state with this influx of resources, please email State Librarian Jen Nelson at jnelson@njstatelib.org. [Read more...](#)

Training, Grants & Other Opportunitites

Updates from the Office of U.S. Senator Cory A. Booker

Assistance for Non-profit Organizations:

Senator Booker will be hosting a webinar for the New Jersey non-profit community on **Tuesday, March 30** to provide details from the U.S. Small Business Administration and the NJ Economic Development Authority. Please feel free to share with any of your non-profit partners or community members that they can [register here](#) to attend this free webinar.

COVID-19 Resources:

Senator Booker's office recently updated their comprehensive [COVID-19 resource guide](#) with information about the federal and state benefits and resources available to New Jerseyans – please feel free to share it with your patrons or anyone who may find it helpful.

Opportunities from National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH)

Starting on April 1, the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) will be kicking off a series of ten virtual grant workshops for those who wish to learn about NEH grant opportunities, deadlines, and application information. They will be hosting a targeted workshop for Archives and Libraries on May 20.

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Job & Career Accelerator Training for Libraries

Join us for a week of quick webinars to learn more about Job & Career Accelerator. Sessions will take place on April 12, 14 & 15. All of these sessions will be recorded and shared on [NJSL's YouTube channel](#). If you have questions, please contact Andrea Levandowski: alevandowski@njstatelib.org.

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2021 AARP Community Challenge

The State of New Jersey has recently partnered with 68 Walmart and Sam's Club sites in New Jersey to launch a 65+ COVID-19 vaccination program, and are trying to get the word out. They have established a senior-specific NJ COVID Call Center hotline at 856-249-7007 to schedule dedicated 65+ vaccine appointments, or people can contact Walmart stores directly for dedicated appointments. [View the flyer for more information](#) – please feel free to share with your senior patrons.

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Applications Now Being Accepted for John Cotton Dana Library Public Relations Award

The Award honors outstanding library public relations, whether a summer reading program, a year-long centennial celebration, fundraising for a new college library, an awareness campaign or an innovative partnership in the community. In recognition of their achievement, John Cotton Dana award winners receive a cash award from the H.W. Wilson Foundation. An application must be a public relations/strategic communication program that occurred entirely during 2020, the 2019-2020 academic year, or a multi-year project completed in 2020. **Application deadline is May 3, 2021.**

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EBSCO Solar Grants

EBSCO Solar is now accepting applications for grants that will fund solar installations at libraries around the world. The grants will help winning libraries to reduce their utilities expenses by installing solar arrays. All academic, school and public libraries that are current EBSCO customers are eligible to apply for the EBSCO Solar grant program. **Applications close May 3, 2021.**

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