



## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **Hartford Public Library To Re-Open Downtown Library and Offer Contact-free service at Two Branches Starting July 13**

HARTFORD – Hartford Public Library will roll out its next level of service - welcoming customers back to the Downtown Library – starting Monday, July 13.

"We look forward to welcoming the community back to the Downtown Library and extending pick up services at the branches. We will continue to assess service restoration and make adjustments as we go to provide the best service while responsibly observing health and safety protocols," Quinn-Carey said.

The Downtown Library will be open beginning July 13 Monday through Thursday 9 am to 6 pm, and Friday from 9 am to 5 pm. Saturday service will be added from 9 am to 5 pm beginning August 3.

Services that will be available:

- One hour computer sessions
- Fax, copy and scanning
- Passports, notary public services and municipal IDs by appointment.
- The American Place and the Hartford History Center by appointment.

All customers will be required to wear masks while in the building and must observe other safety protocols including social distancing and limited occupancy in elevators.

All customers will enter from Main Street and exit on Arch Street.

Only the first floor will be accessible for use.

Contact-free pick up service for materials will continue, along with the extensive offerings of online services and virtual programming.

More details, including how to request appointments, will be available on our website soon.

**About Hartford Public Library**

Now celebrating its 126th year, Hartford Public Library remains at the forefront of redefining the urban library experience in the 21st Century. With seven locations throughout the city, the library provides education, intellectual enrichment and cultural development for thousands of children, youth and adults every year. Hartford Public Library has also gained local and national recognition for its wide range of new initiatives and partnerships designed to meet the needs of a diverse and dynamic city and region, including immigration services, employment assistance and youth leadership training. [www.hplct.org](http://www.hplct.org).