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PRESS RELEASE

COVID-19 UPDATE: LIBRARY AND COMMUNITY HALL CLOSURES

Kamloops, BC—March 16, 2020— As a result of the rapidly changing situation around COVID-19, the Thompson-Nicola Regional District will be closing all Library locations to the public beginning on Tuesday, March 17, until further notice.

Please note that Monday, March 16 will be the last day that customers can pick up holds or borrow books until Library locations reopen.

In addition, the Avola School House, Little Fort and Vavenby Community Halls will be shut down after this evening.

We've made these decision to support the overall health and wellness of our communities and for the safety of our customers and staff. Closing these public spaces is the responsible thing to do, and the best way to serve our patrons right now is to help minimize the spread of COVID-19.

We know that our library system is a critical resource for all ages, so we are taking steps to support our patrons during this temporary closure:

- All book drops will be closed during this time. Please do not return library items during the closure period.
- All due dates will be extended until Tuesday, April 29 and fines are waived during the closure period.
- All of our digital content, including eBooks, audiobooks, magazines, video streaming, eLearning, is available 24/7 online. Visit the tnrl.ca website for all digital content.

The health and safety of our patrons and staff is our top priority. For more information, go to www.tnrd.ca.

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