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Main Library to close temporarily due to water emergency project

The Atlantic City Free Public Library's water emergency project will result in the temporary closing of the Main Library – located at 1 North Tennessee Ave. – beginning Monday, June 2.

As part of the project, new flooring is being installed in phases throughout the Main Library's first floor. In this next phase, moving and flooring crews will be working in the central section of the floor, which includes the Circulation Desk, Tennessee Avenue and atrium entrances, women's bathroom, plus the Fiction, New Book, Urban Fiction and Graphic Novels collections.

The Main Library will remain closed until the completion of this phase, which is projected to last 2-4 weeks. In-person classes at the Main Library are canceled, but online programs will be held as scheduled.

During this time, moving crews also will be returning shelving units and library materials to the areas impacted by earlier phases of this project.

To make library services and resources more accessible, extended hours have been scheduled at the Richmond Branch Library – located at 4115 Ventnor Ave. The Richmond Branch is open 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday through Saturday on a temporary basis.

Also, library members will still have access to extensive digital collections, including eBooks, audiobooks, music, movies, comics and magazines, through services such as hoopla, Kanopy, OverDrive and ComicsPlus. Library members with internet access can borrow and download materials from these collections any time of the day.

The Main Library closed for three weeks after sprinkler pipes burst in late December 2022, causing severe water damage to the first and second floors, including the Alfred M. Heston Room, staff room and a computer lab. Many of the repairs have already been

made.

The library asks the public to visit acfpl.org for project updates.