

Strengthening LA County Library with YOUR generous support.

#### **March 2020**

Dear Library Champion,

I hope you're doing well, and navigating these rugged times as smoothly as possible.

#### Your Library is here for you.

Here for you this month - Women's History Month - and here for you every month...even when physical library locations are closed.

Here for you 24/7 with online resources - your own digital care package.

Even, and especially during, times like these.

Times in which you may be anxious, unsure, looking for information you can trust. Information about Coronavirus and what you can do to keep yourself and others healthy.

Information to help you work from home, study, or teach your students or kids.

And a source for other essentials...like movies, books, and music.

And virtual storytimes!

As a Library cardholder, **you have a world of information and entertainment** at your fingertips.



Alis Sinisalu (I); Sincerely Media (c); and Mateo Abrahan (r) on Unsplash

#### Sign into LA County Digital Library. Your Library has you covered.

Don't have a library card? Get your free 90-day digital library card today - sign up here.

Plus, you can still place holds on books and have them delivered to the lobby of one of 40 library locations (the list is growing).

Read on for details about digital resources to make your life easier, happier, and even, a bit more fun.

#### How are you using your Library to get through these tough times?

Let me know. Email me at acarroll@lacolibraryfoundation.org.

Thank you for keeping LA County Library strong!

With all good wishes,

**ANDREA** 

Andrea Carroll Executive Director

**P.S.** Your LA County Library needs you. <u>Your generous donation</u> to LA County Library Foundation ensures the Library stays strong...and serves up what you need, in good times and bad. Thank you.

## You've Got Places to Go: the Digital Library

Your Library is here for you. Explore, and enjoy, the Digital Library.

**This is a time to care for yourself**, in addition to family, friends, and colleagues.



Read an ebook or listen to audiobooks.

Stream a movie or TV show, learn a language, check out a digital magazine, or read a national newspaper.

Get career advice, learn a new skill, or get parenting tips.

These resources are all **online**, **and free to you** with your Library card. You'll need your PIN and a device with Internet access.

#### PUT TOGETHER A CARE PACKAGE FOR YOU:

Read an eBook and take off on a virtual adventure.

Available through OverDrive, Hoopla, and BiblioBoard.

Listen to an Audiobook while you do some spring cleaning.

Available through OverDrive, RBDigital, and Hoopla.

Skim a Magazine and just kick back.

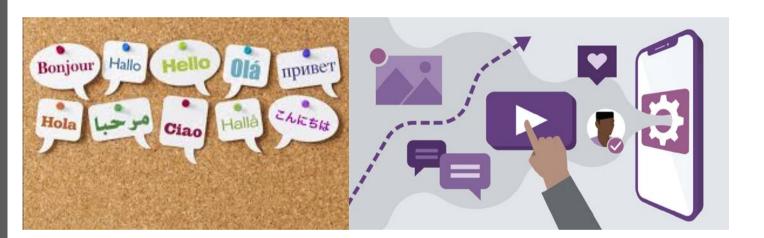
Available through RBDigital.

Stream a Film or TV show, pop some popcorn, and enjoy.

Available through Kanopy and Hoopla.

Put on some Music and walk, hike, or dance!

Available through Freegal and Hoopla.



FAST FORWARD YOUR PERSONAL & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT.

#### Take an online class

Pick up new skills with **Lynda**. Popular courses include: Microsoft Excel; Microsoft Powerpoint; Photography; Game Design; Time Management; Video Editing; Web design; and Business training.

**Gale** courses run for 6-8 weeks. Choose from a range of subjects: stocks, bonds, and investing; resume writing; digital photography; grammar refresher; mobile apps; WordPress websites; and more.

**Universal Class** delves into computers; business; home & garden; health; and technology.

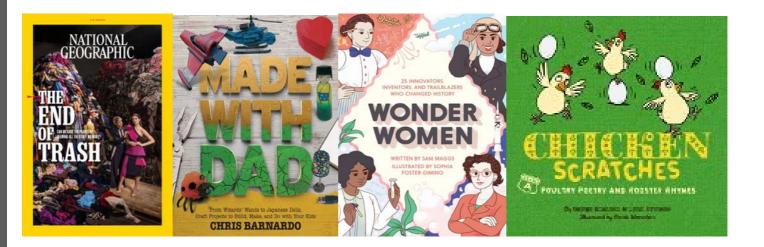
#### Learn a Language

**Mango** offers self-paced lessons in more than 70 languages. Plus, ESL courses in Spanish, Mandarin, Arabic, Japanese, and more.

Click here to learn more about online learning.

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KIDS OUT OF SCHOOL? YOU'RE OUT OF SCHOOL? DON'T DESPAIR.

Get Homework Help (for kids & learners of all ages)

Brainfuse offers one-on-one homework help and tutoring from 1-10 pm every day. Plus, a writing lab, resume writing help, job coaching, and more.

#### Tap into Parenting Tips

Parents and caregivers:

ReadyRosie delivers ideas for early learning opportunities and connecting with your kids. Sign up for weekly texts or emails.

Check out TumbleBook Library, an online collection of animated and talking picture books.

Join a LIVE virtual storytime! Check out the Library's Twitter (@LACountyLibrary) to find out when.

## LA County Library is here for you...24/7.

**Curious?** Visit the <u>Digital Library</u>.

### Your Library matters.

Your gift matters. Especially now.



Thank you!

LA County Library Foundation lacolibraryfoundation.org/contribute



County Library Directors: Celia Gleason (1912-1924); Skye Patrick (started 2016).

## For Fun: Fabulous Facts for Women's History Month

- LA County Library has had 8 Library Directors...7 of them have been women.
  - o Starting with Celia Gleason in 1912 *eight years before the 19th Amendment guaranteed women the right to vote* through today, with Skye Patrick.
- Gleason ordered **the first book for Los Angeles County Free Library system**: *Little Women* by Louisa May Alcott.
- Dolores Huerta, labor leader and cofounder with César Chávez of what became the United Farm Workers of America union, **coined the phrase** *Sí se puede* ("Yes, we can") words for today and to celebrate on March 31, César Chávez Day.

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