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Pierce County Library System's Board discusses reopening libraries and more

PIERCE COUNTY, Washington – The Pierce County Library System Board of Trustees will discuss reopening libraries, upgrades to Bonney Lake and Graham Pierce County Libraries, and other issues at its [Board meeting](#) on **Wednesday, July 14, 3:30 p.m.**

Join the meeting by phone or online:

- Phone: 253-215-8782, webinar identification: 977 6052 7787, passcode: 106659
- Zoom with a Zoom account from a web browser or an app:
<https://zoom.us/j/97760527787?pwd=T1VGT0ZvbEhhRWVmSXdOTEFwQndrQT09>

Reopening libraries with more in-building services. As of July 8, 12 of 18 full service Pierce County Libraries are open with more in-building services. People are ecstatic to now browse and check out books, movies and other materials and use computers and printers. By the end of July, all full service libraries will be open. Many people have been sharing how downloadable e-books and audiobooks and the Library's curbside service have been lifesavers while they've been staying home. The public is very happy to be back in their Pierce County Libraries.

"I got a little teary when I walked in. This feels really good. I just like the smell. It's so different than just picking books up curbside." – Graham Pierce County Library customer

"Honey, I'm home!" – DuPont Pierce County Library customer

"I'm going to pop some champagne! This is the best news ever!" – Pierce County Library customer

Improvements to Bonney Lake and Graham Libraries. Upgrades to children, teen and adult spaces at Bonney Lake Library will help improve access to books and movies. The remodeling will allow for a better use the overall space for quiet reading and studying as well as noisier group activities. Updates at the Graham Library involve changes to the parking lot to align with the county's nearby road improvements, which the Library System projects will improve access to the building.

More information: <https://www.piercecountylibrary.org/files/library/board-packet-07142021.pdf>

About Pierce County Library System

The nationally acclaimed [Pierce County Library System](#) serves 620,000 people throughout Pierce County with 20 libraries and online services. The system is the fourth largest in the state and is funded primarily through property taxes. People may choose from 822,000 books, movies and other materials. Pierce County Library is committed to directing services in three primary areas: learning, enjoyment and community connection. Its services and programs spark success for Pierce County residents. More than 2 million people visit Pierce County Libraries each year. The Library provides services and programs directly to people in adult care facilities, people who are

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homebound, and to children in childcare centers and schools. [Pierce County Libraries are located](#) at Anderson Island, Bonney Lake, Buckley, DuPont, Eatonville, Fife, Gig Harbor, Graham, Key Center, Lakewood, Milton/Edgewood, Orting, Parkland/Spanaway, Pierce County Library Administrative Center, South Hill, Steilacoom, Summit, Sumner, Tillicum and University Place. Pierce County Library is an independent municipal corporation and operates as a junior taxing district.

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