

# Library on Wheels Bookmobile

The *Library on Wheels* Bookmobile is essentially a mobile "branch library" whereby services are extended to individual/organizations that may not otherwise be served. The use of the vehicle has been impacted by the Coronavirus Pandemic (COVID-19) having ceased operations as a result. This plan shall be put in place as the *Library on Wheels* resumes operations.

# **Safety First**

All protocols set forth in the *Buffalo & Erie County Public Library COVID-19 REOPENING SAFETY PLAN* shall be in effect for the *Library on Wheels*.

#### In addition:

- One staff member shall remain inside the vehicle and one staff member will remain stationed at a portable table outside of the vehicle (weather permitting) once the vehicle reaches its destination;
- Doors will be marked "Entrance" and "Exit;"
  - o Traffic patterns will be marked on the floor;
  - Social distancing will be marked outside of the vehicle to form a queue for entering.
- One family or individual, beyond staff will be allowed in the *Library on Wheels* at any given time;
  - To encourage fair and equitable use, visits will be limited to 5-8 minutes unless no one is waiting to enter the vehicle.

## **Services**

Given the confined space of the vehicle and for the safety of patrons and staff, limited services will be offered including:

- Circulation of library materials;
  - o Borrowing library materials;
  - Requesting library materials;
  - Return of library materials;
    - All returned materials will be quarantined per the *Handling Materials* during COVID-19 procedure dated May 18, 2020 or as amended process;
- Issuance of library cards;

- Requested library material "hold" pick up;
- Computer assistance;
  - o At table located outside of vehicle (weather permitting);
- 2020 Census assistance;
  - o At table located outside of vehicle (weather permitting);
- Lobby stops pick up and drop off of materials.

### Locations

The Library on Wheels shall resume visits to various locations throughout Erie County at the discretion of the *Library on Wheels* Manager and B&ECPL Administration.