

# Westford Public Library – Temporary Closure Update

## A message from the Director

Hello Westford community,

For those I haven't had the chance to meet yet, my name is Maggie Kabbeko, and I'm the new Director of the Westford Public Library. While I wish my first introduction to many of you were under easier circumstances, I'm grateful for the warmth, patience, and support our community has shown during this temporary closure.

I'd like to share a clear update on the building, our expected reopening timeline, and the services and programs available while remediation is underway.

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## Library Building Update

The library remains temporarily closed while building remediation is completed. This work is important for the long-term safety and health of the space, and it is actively moving forward.

**Our current projection is to reopen the library by mid-January.**

If remediation is completed sooner than expected, we will immediately share updates through:

- our website
- Front Porch Forum
- our Facebook page

We appreciate your patience and are eager to welcome everyone back into the building as soon as it is fully ready.

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## Library Services & Programs During the Closure

Even while the building is closed, many library services continue thanks to community partnerships:

- **Programs** are being held at the **Common Hall** (with their generous support)
  - **Interlibrary loan holds and pickups** are available at the **Town Office**
  - **Digital materials** (ebooks, audiobooks, and more) remain available for checkout
  - **Holiday gift trees** for the library are being hosted at **Phoenix Books**
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## Programs at the Common Hall

Please join us for the following December programs:

### Storytime

Dates: Thursdays, December 11 and December 18:

Time: 11:00 a.m.

### Coffee and Cards

Dates: Tuesdays, December 16, 23, and 30

Time: 10:30 a.m.

All are welcome!

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## Digital & Homecard Library Access

As always, our digital services remain available throughout the closure. As a **Vermont Homecard Library**, your Westford library card can also be used at many other libraries across the state.

A list of Homecard libraries will be posted on our website soon and included at the end of this announcement.

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## Holiday Giving & Gift Trees

We're delighted to share that **Phoenix Books** will be hosting our library **gift trees** for the holidays - possibly as early as Sunday! Our holiday helpers are working hard to get everything ready.

If you'd like to support the library this season:

- Choose a book from the library's wish list at the gift tree
- Dedicate it in someone's name, if you wish
- Receive **20% off each title** when you mention it's for the Westford Public Library and present a star from the tree

For those who prefer an online option, we are also setting up an **Amazon wish list**, which will be shared soon.

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Thank you again for your patience, generosity, and care for our library. Westford Public Library is very much *open in spirit*, even while the building is temporarily closed, and we look forward to welcoming you back inside soon.

Warmly,  
Maggie Kabbeko  
Director, Westford Public Library