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Pierce County Library System Board discusses 2022 work plan and other issues

PIERCE COUNTY, Washington – The Pierce County Library System Board of Trustees will discuss the Library System's 2022 work plan and conduct other business at its <u>Board meeting</u> on Wednesday, Jan. 12, 3:30 p.m.

Join the meeting by phone or online:

- Phone: 253-215-8782, webinar identification: 853 3159 8218, passcode: 305939
- Zoom with a Zoom account from a web browser or an app: https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85331598218?pwd=TVRWcEVYTFY3N0tod0FSa1ZBV2xqQT09

The Library's 2022 strategic work plan highlights work in the Library's three focus areas: learning, enjoyment and community. As the world continues to live and work during the COVID-19 pandemic and external circumstances, the Library System intends to center its work on its fundamental purpose to provide reasonable and fair access to information. Public libraries are central in a democracy by supporting an individual's access to the information they seek and the privacy to explore that information, form opinions and reach conclusions or decisions.

Projects on tap for 2022 include exploring innovative ways to deliver library services such as lockers and mini libraries in retail outlets; launching a new reading program called Enjoy BOOKS!, featuring Try 10 to read, which encourages people to read new genres, authors and expand their reading interests; improving the Library's offerings of books and materials in a variety of languages; and completing its expansion of Wi-Fi in nearly all of its libraries, which will extend Wi-Fi into its parking lots and improve internet connectivity for the public.

<u>More information</u>: <u>https://www.piercecountylibrary.org/about-us/board-trustees/board-agenda-packets/Default.htm</u>

About Pierce County Library System

The nationally acclaimed <u>Pierce County Library System</u> serves 634,000 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 more than one million books, e-books, audiobooks, 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 homebound, and to children in childcare centers and schools. <u>Pierce County Libraries are located</u> 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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