

# Timberland Regional LIBRARY

eNewsletter:  
November 2019



TIMBERLAND LIBRARIES WILL BE

# CLOSED

**Veterans Day**  
Monday  
November 11, 2019

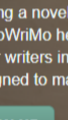
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**Thanksgiving Holiday**  
Thursday & Friday  
November 28-29, 2019



Expanded Access Hours at the McCleary Library are available during holiday closures

## November is National Novel Writing Month



NaNoWriMo

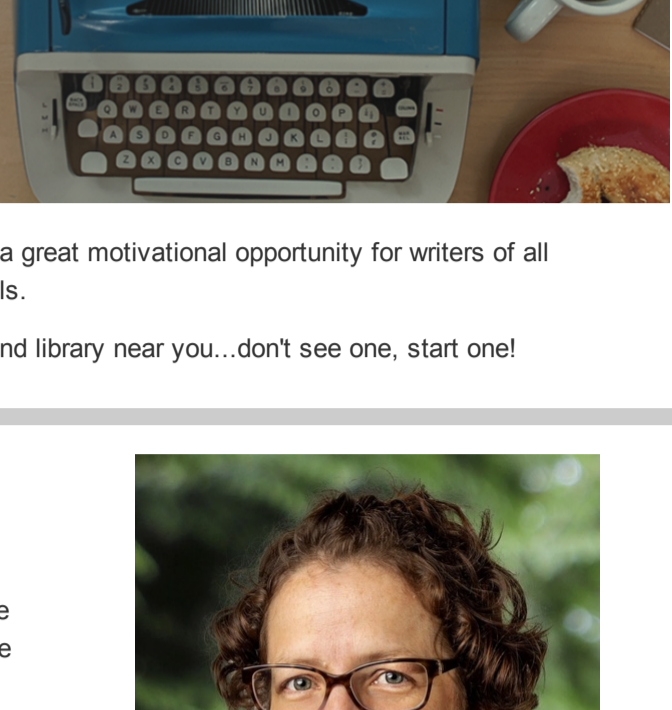
WHAT IS NANOWRIMO?

Every story matters.  
Let's start writing yours.

Writing a novel alone can be difficult, even for seasoned writers. NaNoWriMo helps you track your progress, set milestones, connect with other writers in a vast community, and participate in events that are designed to make sure you finish your novel. Oh, and best of all, it's free!

SIGN UP

Young writers and educators, explore our Young Writers Program



Also known as **NaNoWriMo**, this program is a great motivational opportunity for writers of all ages to connect, be inspired, and finish novels.

Check out [NaNoWriMo events](#) at a Timberland library near you...don't see one, start one!

## Strategic Planning Update

In October we finished up our work with the strategic planning process. We held one more committee meeting and read through all of the feedback collected from the September Community Check-ins, staff and community surveys. Significant changes were made to both the Vision and Mission statements to incorporate the feedback and blaze a new path forward. This was a successful first attempt at a staff-led and community-informed planning process.



**Sarah Ogden**  
TRL District Manager  
Innovation and User Experience

On October 23rd, 2019 the TRL Board of Trustees voted to adopt the 2020-2022 Strategic Direction that was created using community and staff feedback! You can view the [AVCapture All video](#) of the meeting and follow the discussion around the Board vote. With the Board's approval of the Strategic Direction, district staff have begun crafting Action Plans for 2020 at a district, department, branch, and individual level.

I want to thank all of the community members that participated in this process by showing up to a conversation or check-in, by calling or emailing staff, and by filling out one of the many surveys that landed in your inbox. Your voices are important! You can look forward to many more requests to engage with us as we work to fulfill this new Strategic Direction and keep track of our progress at [TRL.org/2020-2022-strategic-direction](http://TRL.org/2020-2022-strategic-direction)

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## 2020-2022 STRATEGIC DIRECTION

### VISION

Libraries connecting to our communities.

### MISSION

Welcoming everyone to a vibrant world of possibilities.

Connecting people, places, and ideas.

Evolving to meet the needs of our communities.

### We Value

Access for all.

Working together.

Diverse communities and ideas.

Responsible use of public resources.

### We Will Focus On

#### Local communities.

- Sharing local culture.
- Increasing our presence in under-served communities.
- Creating opportunities for inter-generational connection.

#### Equity, diversity, and inclusion.

- Reaching those with disabilities and other access barriers.
- Reflecting under-represented groups in our collections, staff, and services.
- Partnering with local agencies and organizations to support diverse communities.

#### Children from birth to five.

- Providing appealing spaces and engaging experiences.
- Clarifying what they need and how to provide for those needs.
- Empowering them to build relationships with the library and within their communities.

### BORROW

Assistive Devices  
eBooks and Books  
Movies  
Audiobooks

### PARTICIPATE

Storytimes  
Book Groups  
Arts & Crafts  
Meeting Space

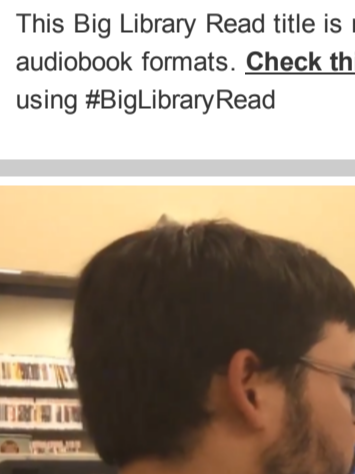
### DISCOVER

Legal Forms  
Auto Repair  
Homework Help  
History & Genealogy

### CONNECT

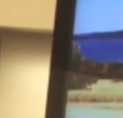
Wifi  
Printing  
Computers  
Job Search

For more information: <https://www.trl.org/2020-2022-strategic-direction> DRAFT OCT 2019



“...A compelling and powerful novel that is sure to make an impact.”  
— Angie Thomas, New York Times bestselling author of The Hate U Give

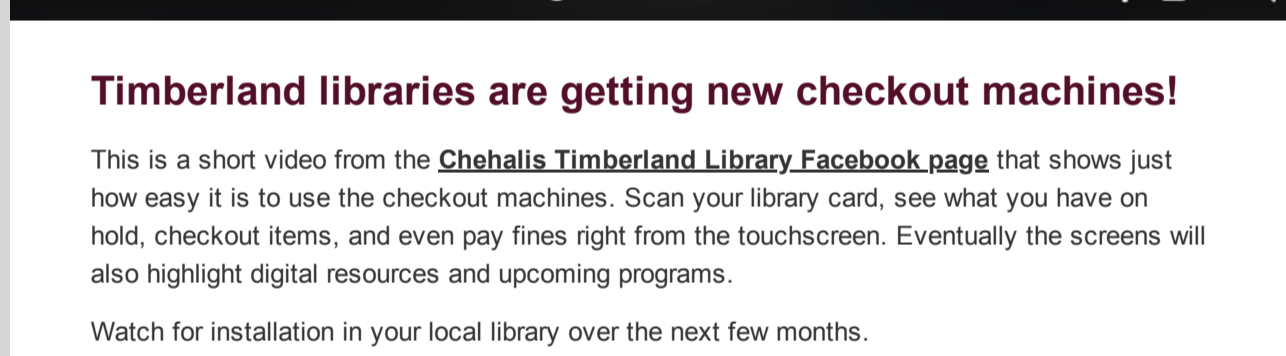
*I'm Not Dying With You Tonight*  
by Kimberly Jones & Gilly Segal



November 4 - 18, 2019

#BigLibraryRead over Overdrive connects readers around the world with the same book at the same time **without any waitlists or holds**. The current title, "I'm Not Dying with You Tonight" by Kimberly Jones & Gilly Segal, is a story about two different girls, from two different backgrounds, and one chaotic night. *Note: contains mature themes.*

This Big Library Read title is running Nov 4 - 18, 2019 and is available in both eBook & audiobook formats. [Check this title out on Overdrive](#) and share your thoughts on social media using #BigLibraryRead



## Timberland libraries are getting new checkout machines!

This is a short video from the [Chelalis Timberland Library Facebook page](#) that shows just how easy it is to use the checkout machines. Scan your library card, see what you have on hold, checkout items, and even pay fines right from the touchscreen. Eventually the screens will also highlight digital resources and upcoming programs.

Watch for installation in your local library over the next few months.

Help us reach our goal of  
**1 Million**  
digital checkouts

Read on Libby.

## One Million Digital Checkouts Update

Last month we shared our goal of reaching the One Million Mark for digital checkouts, at that time we were just over 725,000 checkouts with approximately 27,000 patrons using Overdrive. As of October 31, we have reached 822,224 checkouts and increased the number of unique digital users by 1,324! We are glad to see so many of you enjoying the vast collection of free digital resources available with your library cards!

Try out one of the many lists we've put together with books available to read or listen to right now, such as [Fairy Tales Reimagined](#), [Mysteries Without the Murder](#), and [Military & Espionage Thrillers](#).

Visit the [TRL OverDrive website](#) and log in with your library card and PIN. Browse, check out, and start reading and listening! Easily download the [Libby App](#) to a mobile device via your preferred app store [\[APPLE\]](#) [\[ANDROID\]](#) and follow the step-by-step log in instructions.

TRL staff are always willing to help you get started or answer questions. Visit your local library location (bring your device if you're having trouble) or contact the Ask-a-Librarian service.

## #eBooksForAll

ALA AmericanLibraryAssociation

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A few months ago we shared a change in policy from Macmillan Publishers regarding new-release eBooks. For the first eight weeks from publication, libraries will be allowed to purchase one (1) copy per library system. For any system that are not limited by this new policy. This would include print books, physical audiobooks, and older copies of in-demand eBooks. Downloadable audiobooks also are not included in this new policy and will continue to be purchased. Macmillan Publishers includes Tor, Henry Holt, Farrar, Straus & Giroux, St. Martin's Press, and Macmillan Children's Publishing Group.

We believe that this new policy is harmful to libraries and the patrons we serve. As use patterns change, digital equity and access to information are at risk when publishers withhold books from the digital library market. We will buy titles from publishers who do not limit library purchasing and who support equitable digital access for library eBook borrowers.

Looking for ways to express your concerns about access, please visit <https://ebooksforall.org> to sign a petition organized by the American Library Association. You can also email Macmillan Publishers at [press.inquiries@macmillan.com](mailto:press.inquiries@macmillan.com).

TRL will evaluate this important decision to boycott Macmillan on February 1, 2020, or earlier if Macmillan reverses the policy. This decision was not taken lightly as we know that it will negatively affect some of our eBook users for the next few months, but we believe fighting for your continued digital access is vitally important.

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OPEN SESAME

## Open Sesame! Sesame Street that is!

Parents, Teachers, Caregivers... and kids-at-heart! Sesame Street (season 39) is now available on Kanopy Kids for your (educational) viewing pleasure. If you haven't checked out this amazing resource that is available for Free with your library card... what are you waiting for?

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Just click on the icons below:

## TRL.org

Timberland Regional Library district provides for the entertainment, information, and lifelong learning needs of Grays Harbor, Lewis, Mason, Pacific, and Thurston county residents at 27 community public libraries and seven library service partner locations. The library system is funded mainly by local property taxes, timber tax, fundraising efforts of TRL Friends of the Library, and generous donations by individual supporters. Anyone needing special accommodations to participate in a library's programs may contact the library one week in advance. All Timberland programs are free and open to the public. For more information visit [TRL.org](http://TRL.org)