

ELIZABETH PUBLIC LIBRARY

STRENGTHENING CONNECTIONS | BUILDING COMMUNITY | ENRICHING LIVES

CHECK IT OUT! SEPTEMBER 2025

This September, join us at the **Elizabeth Public Library** to celebrate **Library Card Sign-Up Month!** We invite you to visit the library to discover the incredible benefits of obtaining a **FREE** library card. We bet you'll be surprised with ALL that's included.

The benefits of a library card start at our **four libraries**, where borrowing books is **FREE!** This is just one of the many free resources available to you! Books are also available in various formats and languages and accessible through electronic devices using our resource database for eBooks or audio books with [eLibraryNJ](#), [Hoopla](#), or the [Libby](#) app.

At **Elizabeth Public Library**, you will also find

- **Children** can visit the library to use [ABC Mouse](#), or from home, interactive [Tumble Books](#), along with literacy and creative weekly programs at the library.
- **Teens** have access to homework help, SAT/AP test prep through digital resource [Brainfuse](#), and stream movies, music and ebooks with [Hoopla](#) in addition to many engaging afterschool programs.
- **Adults** can benefit from **FREE** newspaper subscriptions to the [Star Ledger](#), [New York Times](#), and [Digital magazines](#). We also offer adult classes for ESL, GED, Citizenship, Computer Literacy, and social services to assist with community based resources.

This year's theme, "**One Card, Endless Possibilities**," conveys a meaningful message: Libraries have something for everyone! Start your child's school year with one card that offers numerous possibilities for academic growth.

To apply for library card, please visit the library with photo ID and proof of address. September applicants will be entered for a chance to win \$25.00 Gift Card drawing. We look forward to seeing you soon!

Discover ALL the possibilities this September with a free library card!

Best regard,
Eleni Glykis, MLIS
Library Director



**Main Branch: 3rd Fl
Large Classroom**

Sept 4 & 17

2:00-3:00PM

KARAOKE HOUR

4:30PM - 5:30PM

Friday, September 5, 2025

Monday, September 15, 2025

Friday, September 19, 2025

Monday, September 29, 2025



MAIN LIBRARY:
11 SOUTH BROAD STREET, ELIZABETH
NEW JERSEY 07202
908-354-6060
MONDAY-THURSDAY: 8:30 AM -
7:45 PM
FRIDAY: 9:30 AM - 5:45 PM
SATURDAY: 9:30 AM - 4:45 PM



ELMORA BRANCH LIBRARY:
740 W. GRAND STREET, ELIZABETH
07202
(908) 353-4820
MONDAY-THURSDAY: 8:30 AM -
7:45 PM
FRIDAY: 9:30 AM - 5:45 PM
SATURDAY: 9:30 AM - 4:45 PM



LACORTE BRANCH LIBRARY:
418- 424 PALMER STREET,
ELIZABETH 07202
(908) 469-1866
MONDAY-FRIDAY: 10:00 AM -
5:45 PM



ELIZABETHPORT BRANCH LIBRARY:
102-110 3RD STREET AT E. JERSEY
STREET ELIZABETH 07206
(908) 289-9032
MONDAY-FRIDAY: 10:00 AM -
5:45 PM



American Revolutions:
Rev250 at the
Elizabeth Public Library

THE FIRST INVASION OF CANADA

SEPT 3-30, 2025

Learn the history behind the First
Invasion of Canada during the
American Revolution through our
mini exhibit.

Join us as we celebrate the
upcoming 250th anniversary of the
Declaration of Independence with
monthly mini exhibits highlighting
revolutionary events and Elizabeth
natives.

Third Floor Elizabethtown
Reading Room Exhibit Case

11 S. Broad St
Elizabeth, NJ 07202

(908) 354-6060
ext. 7220

[https://elizpl.org/
localhistory](https://elizpl.org/localhistory)

313+ Ancestors Speak Project: African American Genealogy Workshop

LEARN THE BASICS OF RESEARCHING AFRICAN
AMERICAN GENEALOGY. JOIN THE ELIZABETH
PUBLIC LIBRARY AND THE NJ CHAPTER OF THE
AFRO-AMERICAN HISTORICAL & GENEALOGICAL
SOCIETY, INC. FOR A SECOND IN A SERIES OF
WORKSHOPS SUPPORTING THE 313+ ANCESTORS
SPEAK

PROJECT.

SEPT. 16, 2025

6:30-7:30 P.M.

In-person

Elizabeth Public Library

11 S. Broad St Elizabeth, NJ 07202

(908) 354-6060 ext 7220

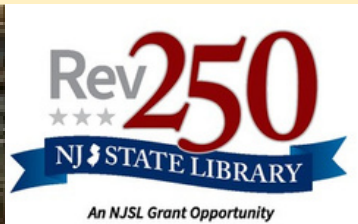
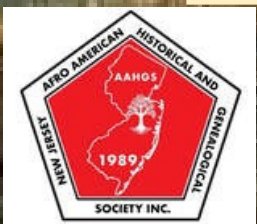
4th floor auditorium

zoom



Meeting ID: 892 6636 6973

Passcode: 270222



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ELMORA BRANCH EVENTS

SPACE IS LIMITED FOR PROGRAMS. PLEASE REGISTER ON OUR LIBRARY CALENDAR AT ELIZP.ORG OR BY CALLING 908-353-4820

ELMORA ADULT PROGRAMS

Library Card Sign-up Month: Library Bingo – Month of September (All Month, All Day)

Join our bingo card challenge! Complete activities like “check out a book” or “attend a program.” Fill a row to win a prize and discover all the amazing things our library has to offer while having a blast!

Zumba Gold – Tuesday, September 2, 9, 16, 23, 30; Thursday, September 4, 11, 18, 25; Monday, September 8, 15, 22, 29 at 9 am

Add fitness to your daily routine through the joy of dance! **Walk-ins are welcome.**



Adult English Book Club – Tuesday, September 2 at 11 am

Join our Book Club meeting and engage in a lively discussion about our latest book.

Crochet with Sol – Tuesday, September 2, 9, 16 at 12 pm

Learn the tips and tricks with Ms. Sol! She will teach you everything you need to know to get started, from fundamental stitches to understanding gauge.

Tai Chi & Qi Gong - Wednesday, September 3, 10, 17, & 24 at 9 am and Monday, September 8, 15, 22, & 29 at 4 pm
Join Pete on Mondays and Wednesdays for Tai Chi, a gentle Chinese art that combines slow, flowing movements with deep breathing. Experience the refreshing benefits of mindfulness!



Family Bingo - Wednesday, September 3 at 2 pm

Join us at the Elmora Branch Library for a fun-filled game of Bingo!

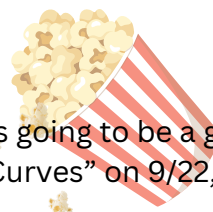
Mahjong - Monday, September 8, 15, 22, & 29 from 12 pm - 2 pm

Everyone who loves Mahjong is welcome to come & play at the library. Bring friends or come alone & find new partners. We'll provide the space for open play. A minimum of 4 players are required to play the game.

Ages: 18 & up

Monday Cinema at Elmora - Monday, September 8, 15, 22, & 29 at 1 pm

At 1pm, don't miss out on the fun! Join us for a Monday Cinema at Elmora Branch Library. It's going to be a great time! This month's showtimes are “Blue Beetle” on 9/8, “Rio” on 9/15, “Real Women Have Curves” on 9/22, & “Under the Same Moon” on 9/29



Adult Scrabble Club - Thursday, September 11 at 2 pm - 3:30 pm

Word lovers! Exercise your B-R-A-I-N (7 points) by playing Scrabble with other like-minded adults.

Stitch & Mending - Tuesday, September 16 at 10am and Wednesday, September 17 at 5pm

Come to Elmora to mend your clothing. Bring the article you need help with and assistance will be provided.



Adult Spanish Book Club - Thursday, September 18 at 2 pm

Come and join Martha as she hosts a monthly book discussion for Spanish-speaking adults!

Tech Confidence for Seniors - Saturday, September 20 at 2 pm

Join Daniel Orozco for a session where patrons will learn to use their devices with ease—tech support basics.

The Rummikub Club - Tuesday, September 23 & Thursday, September 25 at 10 am

Join us for a friendly game! Beginners are welcome!

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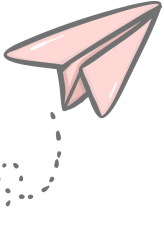
ELMORA CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

LIBRARY CARD SIGN-UP MONTH: LIBRARY BINGO - MONTH OF SEPTEMBER (ALL DAY)

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ALL WEEK BACK TO SCHOOL SCAVENGER HUNT - TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2 TO SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6 (ALL DAY)

Can you find all the images hidden in the Children's area? Get a small prize from our treasure chest when you complete the hunt!



FAMILY BINGO - WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3 AT 2 PM

Join us at the Elmora Branch Library for a fun-filled game of Bingo!

JUNIOR CHESS CLUB (AGES: 7-12) - FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 12, 19, & 26 AT 4 PM

Don't miss out on our Chess Club for Kids! We welcome beginners. Join us and let's play some chess!



BUBBLES ARE US - SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6 AT 1 PM

Located on 640 3rd Avenue, Elizabeth, NJ

Join Ms. Martha at the laundromat for songs, stories, and crafts with LOADS of fun! This storytime will feature stories in English and Spanish for the whole family. FREE PIZZA!!!

CODEFORWARD - MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 15, 22, & 29 AT 5 PM TO 6:30 PM

At CodeForward, we're opening doors to the future— offering free coding education to kids who are ready to create, build, and lead. Our team brings years of experience in Java, Python, and other programming languages, gained through rigorous coursework at the Academy for Information Technology.

[*PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN ELECTRONIC DEVICE](#)



TODDLERS WORLD - FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12 & 26 AT 11 AM

An hour of fun songs to sing, music, and playtime.

BAD ART: DOT DAY - SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13 AT 11AM

Join us to spark creativity and collaboration with just a dot! We'll provide supplies—bring your imagination and have fun. No art is ever bad!

HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH SCAVENGER HUNT - MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 22 TO SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27 (ALL DAY)

Can you find all the images hidden in the Children's area? Get a small prize from our treasure chest when you complete the hunt!

EL TIGRE: THE ADVENTURES OF MANNY RIVERA - SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27 AT 11 AM

Join us for an exciting watch party of El Tigre: The Adventures of Manny Rivera!

Relax, have fun, and create your own Luchador paper mask!



LACORTE BRANCH EVENTS

REGISTRATION FOR ALL OUR PROGRAMS WILL NOW BE ON OUR WEBSITE! ALL OF THESE PROGRAMS WILL BE HELD AT THE LACORTE BRANCH. PLEASE GO TO ELIZPL.ORG TO CHECK OUT ALL OUR EVENTS!

LACORTE ADULT PROGRAMS

Peaceful Pages: A Coloring Escape - Thursday, September 11, 11am-12pm

Enjoy some peaceful time coloring a variety of printed pages. Crayons and coloring pencils will be provided, but feel free to bring your own favorite supplies. Come relax, unwind, and let your creativity flow!

LET THE GAMES BEGIN! - Thursday, September 18, 11am-12pm

Bring a family member or a friend to enjoy various board & card games!

Festive Decorative Bowl - Thursday, September 25, 11am-12pm

Craft a decorative bowl to enhance your fall décor. You'll have a lovely centerpiece to use for snacks and sweets, fill with pine cones, or use it as a candle holder.

LACORTE CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

Play-Doh Fun! – September 9, 16 & 23 at 4 pm

Squish, roll, and shape your way to fun! Come to Play-Doh Time and bring your wildest creations to life. **No registration is required.**

Scavenger Hunt! – September 5, 12, 19 & 26 at 4 pm

Celebrate Spanish Heritage Month with a fun scavenger hunt! Search the library for hidden clues, fascinating facts about Spanish-speaking countries, their rich cultures, and famous people who made history. **Registration is not required.**

Lego Hour! – September 10 & 24 at 4 pm

Build, stack, and let your imagination soar! Join us for LEGO Hour, where you can create anything you dream up one brick at a time. **No registration is required.**

Crafty Mondays! – September 8, 15, 22 & 29 at 4 pm

Get ready to get creative! Join us for Crafty Mondays, where each week brings a new hands-on project you can make and take home. **No registration is required.**

Library Card Sign-Up Month – All Month Long

September is Library Card Sign-Up Month! Don't have a library card? Come in and sign up this month and receive a small welcome gift to start your reading adventures.

Read Around the World Passport – All Month Long

Pack your imagination and get ready to travel! Come in and pick up your Read Around the World Passport, read books from different countries, and get your passport stamped. At the end of the month, bring in your completed passport to claim a special prize!

E-PORT BRANCH EVENTS

REGISTRATION FOR ALL OUR PROGRAMS WILL NOW BE
ON OUR WEBSITE! PLEASE VISIT OUR CALENDAR AT WWW.ELIZPL.ORG TO CHECK OUT ALL OUR EVENTS AND REGISTER!

Celebrate Library Card Sign-Up Month!

September is Library Card Sign-Up Month! Stop by the library to get your free library card (or renew your current one) and discover all the amazing resources we offer—books, movies, digital services, programs, and more. Special giveaways and activities will be available all month long for new and returning cardholders!

Back to School Ice Cream Social - Thursday, September 4 at 3:30 pm

Celebrate the start of a new school year with a sweet treat! Join us for an afternoon of ice cream, toppings, and fun activities as we welcome students and families back to school. Connect with friends, enjoy a cool snack, and kick off the school year on a positive note, while supplies last.

Registration Required!



Create Your Own Terrarium! - Thursday, September 11 at 3:30 pm

Bring a little magic home! Join us for a fun, hands-on craft program where you can design your very own terrarium or snow globe. All supplies will be provided—just bring your creativity! Perfect for kids, teens, and families.

Registration Required!



Apple Tree Name Craft! - Thursday, September 18 at 3:30 pm

Celebrate the season with a fun fall craft! Kids will create their very own apple tree and decorate it with apples that spell out their name. All supplies are provided—just bring your creativity!

Kids' Game Night! - Thursday, September 25 at 3:30 pm

Join us for a fun-filled evening of board games, card games, and puzzles! Bring your friends or make new ones as we play classics and discover new favorites.



TEEN DEPARTMENT EVENTS AT MAIN

FOR AGES 13-19 ONLY. SPACE IS LIMITED FOR PROGRAMS. PLEASE REGISTER ON OUR LIBRARY CALENDAR AT ELIZPL.ORG OR BY CALLING (908) 354-6060 EXT. 7237

Game Day: Saturday 6th at 1 pm

The Teen Department has tons of games to play and today we're letting them all out of the case! Stop by to play any game you want.

Anime Club: Monday 8th & 22nd at 3:30 pm

Watch and discuss anime of your choice; make sushi on the 22nd!

Dungeons and Dragons: Wednesday 10th & 17th at 3:30 pm

Join us for a 6-session full campaign! This is a build-on story series, all participants must be able to attend all 6 dates. No experience necessary. Must sign up in person at the 3rd floor Teen desk.

Film Club: Thursday 11th at 3:30 pm

Join your fellow film buffs in watching Lisa Frankenstein (PG-13) while playing bingo!

Bring Your Own Book Club: Tuesday 16th at 3:30 pm

Read a book of your choice and discuss it for 3 community service hours! **Registration required.**



Ask a Professional - Credit Union: Thursday 18th at 3:30 pm

Talk to a representative from Financial Resources Federal Credit Union to learn about personal finance. Earn community service hours! **Registration required.**

Aztec Hot Chocolate: Friday 19th at 3:30 pm

Enjoy this ancient spin on a familiar favorite! **Registration required.**

Pride Power Hour: Wednesday 24th at 3:30 pm

Join our safe space for LGBTQIA+ teens and allies! We'll hang out, make some crafts, and take a step back from the stress of everyday life.



Hispanic Heritage Month Movie: Friday 26th at 3:30 pm

Come to the Teen desk on the 3rd floor to vote for which movie we'll watch to celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month!

Vinyl Painting: Tuesday 30th at 3:30 pm

Use an old vinyl record as a canvas to make a unique painting! **Registration required.**



ADULT SERVICES EVENTS AT MAIN

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Digital Literacy (Computer Help)

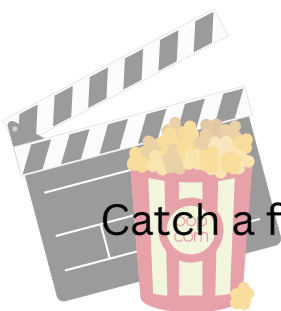
Every Tuesday at 2:00pm -4:00 pm

Need tech support? Stop by for one-on-one computer and internet help.

Flex Space Painting

Every Wednesday at 12:30 pm

Unwind midweek with open painting sessions—materials provided.



Movie Time

Thursdays at 5:00 pm

Catch a film on the big screen with us every Thursday evening.



Embroidery Club

Thursday, September 4th & 18th at 2:00 pm

Bring your creativity and learn new stitching techniques in a welcoming space.

Karaoke Hour

September 5th, 15th, 19th, 29th at 4:30 pm

Sing your heart out and enjoy a fun, relaxed time with friends.



Club de Lectura en Español

Friday, September 19th at 4:00 pm

Join our Spanish book club for lively discussions and great reads—all in Spanish!



CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT EVENTS AT MAIN

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9/1/25 Library Closed for Labor Day	9/2/25 Domino at 2pm	9/3/25 Craft Corner at 4pm	9/4/25 Little Buddies at 10am Engineer It! at 5pm	9/5/25 Baby & Me at 11am	9/6/25 Minute to Win It Challenge at 2pm
9/8/25 Family ESL Classes at 5pm	9/9/25 Beginners Dungeons & Dragons Club at 5pm Registration Required	9/10/25 Craft Corner at 4pm	9/11/25 Little Buddies at 10am Engineer It! at 5pm	9/12/25 Doodle Time at 11am	9/13/25 Family Loteria at 2pm
9/15/25 Monday Movie at 5pm	9/16/25 Sensory Stations at 11am Pokemon Club at 5pm *Registration Required	9/17/25 Craft Corner at 4pm	9/18/25 Little Buddies at 10am Engineer It! at 5pm	9/19/25 Baby & Me at 11am	9/20/25 Family Bingo at 2pm
9/22/25 Class visit room closed 9AM-11AM Family ESL 5PM	9/23/25 Theater Club at 5pm Registration Required	9/24/25 Class Visit Room Closed 9am-11am Craft Corner at 4pm	9/25/25 Little Buddies at 10am Engineer It! at 5pm	9/26/25 Doodle Time at 11am	9/27/25 Legos at 11am

9/29/25

Class visit
room closed
9AM-11AM

Monday
Movie @ 5pm

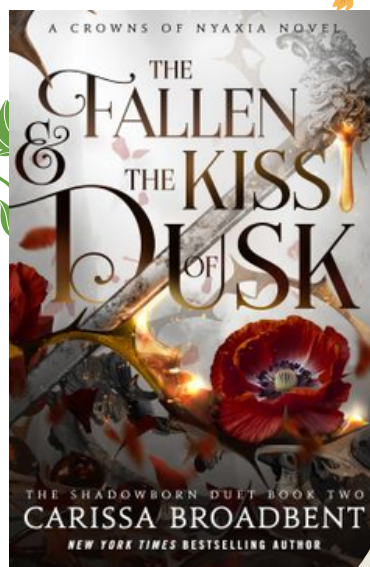
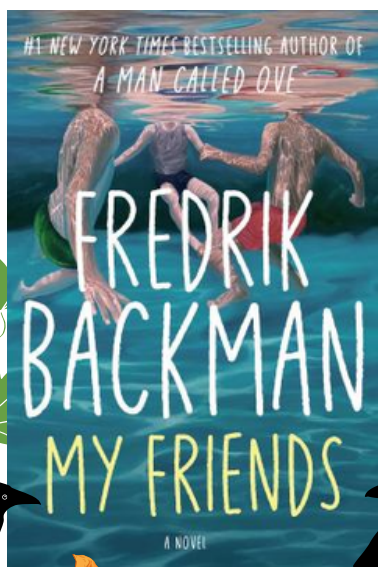
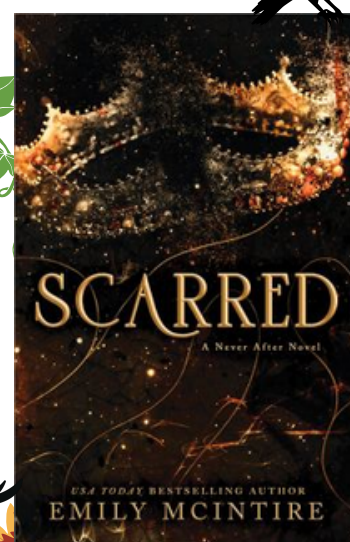
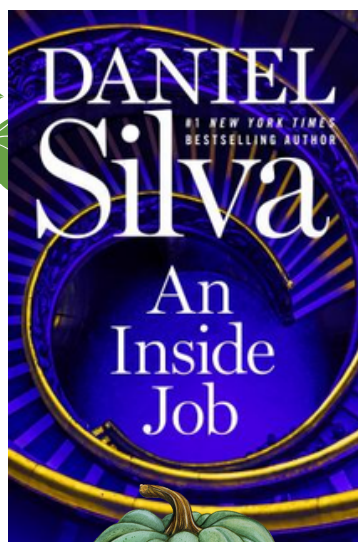
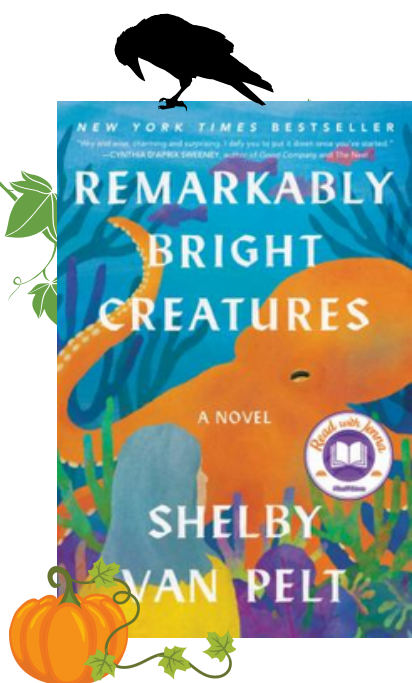
REGISTRATION FOR ALL OUR PROGRAMS
WILL BE OPEN TWO WEEKS IN ADVANCE
ON OUR WEBSITE AT **WWW.ELIZPL.ORG**.

Color Code:
 Ages 0 - 5
 Ages 3 and up
 Ages 8-12
 Family



FRONT PAGE BOOKS

CHECK OUT THESE NYT BESTSELLER'S AS FEATURED ON STELLA'S CATALOGUE! LOOK FOR THEM AND GIVE THEM A READ IN OUR STELLA LIBRARIES, OR RESERVE THEM HERE FOR PICK-UP AT ANY OF OUR BRANCHES!



STELLA

Sharing & Technology Enhancing Local Library Access

THANK YOU!

COMPUTER LAB OPEN HOURS

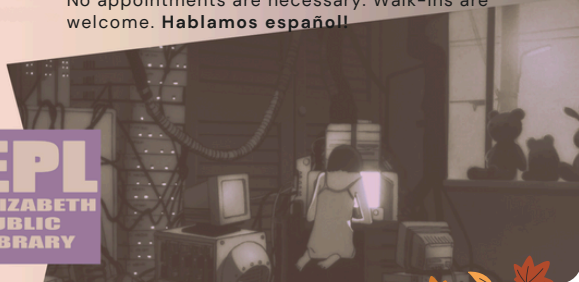
Tuesdays, 2pm–4pm, Elizabeth Public Library 3rd Floor Computer Lab

THE DIGITAL LITERACY PROGRAM OFFERS ASSISTANCE WITH A WIDE RANGE OF TECHNOLOGY RELATED ISSUES. STAFF CAN ASSIST WITH THE FOLLOWING:

- BASIC COMPUTER SKILLS
- CREATING EMAIL ACCOUNTS
- RESUME HELP
- ONLINE JOB APPLICATION ASSISTANCE
- INTERNET RESEARCH
- GED REGISTRATION

No appointments are necessary. Walk-ins are welcome. *Hablamos español!*

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Printing cost update!

Black and white: \$0.25



Color: \$0.50



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