

## **PRESS RELEASE**

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## New Haven's four neighborhood libraries open on Saturdays this summer!

City Librarian, Martha Brogan, announced that the New Haven Free Public Library's four neighborhood branches will be open on Saturdays from July 9 through August 27. The Fair Haven, Mitchell, Stetson, and Wilson libraries will be open from 10AM to 5PM during the summer months to offer residents a cool place to read, use the internet and relax. Ives Main Library will be closed on these Saturdays.

Please note the Library will be closed on Saturday, July 2 and Monday, July 4 for the Independence Day holiday and will reopen on Tuesday, July 5. The Library will also close on Monday, July 25 for an all staff training day to better serve you and will reopen the following day, Tuesday, July 26.

In support of the Mayor's initiative to make New Haven known as "The City That Reads," New Haven Free Public Library launches a summer learning challenge for pre-K to teens. New this year, the library is introducing the ability to track summer reading minutes online and earn points for end-of-summer rewards using Wandoo Reader. The Library is also launching a new digital service, the <u>Open eBooks app</u>, which is available to all school-age kids who attend New Haven Public Schools. Learn more about both programs.

Summer hours for July 9 – August 27:

IVES MAIN LIBRARY | 133 Elm Street | (203) 946-8130 Mon 10-8 | Tue 10-8 | Wed 10-8 | Thu 10-8 | Fri 10-5 | Sat CLOSED | Sun CLOSED

**FAIR HAVEN LIBRARY** | 182 Grand Avenue | (203) 946-8115 Mon 10-6 | Tue 10-6 | **Wed CLOSED** | Thu 12-8 | **Fri CLOSED** | Sat 10-5 | **Sun CLOSED** 

MITCHELL LIBRARY | 37 Harrison Street | (203) 946-8117 Mon 12-8 | Tue CLOSED | Wed 10-6 | Thu 10-6 | Fri CLOSED | Sat 10-5 | Sun CLOSED

STETSON LIBRARY | 200 Dixwell Avenue | (203) 946-8119 Mon 10-6 | Tue 10-6 | Wed 12-8 | Thu CLOSED | Fri CLOSED | Sat 10-5 | Sun CLOSED

WILSON LIBRARY |303 Washington Avenue | (203) 946-2228 Mon CLOSED | Tue 12-8 | Wed 10-6 | Thu 10-6 | Fri CLOSED | Sat 10-5 | Sun CLOSED

Brogan is also pleased to announce that beginning in September 2016, the four neighborhood libraries will be open an additional day per week (12-6 pm) thanks to the Mayor, Board of Alders, and community advocates who made this possible.

## About the New Haven Free Public Library

The New Haven Free Public Library welcomes more than 620,000 library patrons through its doors each year. The library system includes the lves Memorial Library on the historic New Haven Green, the 24/7 online services of our digital branch, the ReadMobile – bringing books to early childhood learning centers, and four neighborhood libraries: Fair Haven, Mitchell, Wilson and Stetson.

The New Haven Free Public Library's mission is to ensure all New Haven's citizens have full and unlimited access to information and knowledge so that they may meet the needs of daily living, have opportunities for self-education, and participate successfully in self-government.

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