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### **Oshawa Public Libraries Supports Local Isolation Centre**

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As a result of the pandemic, Isolation Centres are being added in areas of need to help people isolate themselves if they don't have space to do so in their own homes safely.

Isolating in the comfort of your own home when familiar people, belongings, and tasks surround you is very different from staying on your own in a designated Isolation Centre. With little to no contact with others and limited activity choices, it can be challenging to combat the resulting boredom, loneliness, and possible depression.

To help people staying at a local Isolation Centre, Oshawa Public Libraries recently delivered Library bags full of donated books and information about the Library's digital offerings to help them fight boredom during their quarantine. In addition to tangible books, people can learn how to make the most of the Centre's free Wi-Fi to access the Library's extensive collections of ebooks and audiobooks, e-magazines, stream music and movies and more.

"Amid the COVID-19 pandemic, isolation is often necessary to keep our families and communities safe," says Frances Newman, Oshawa Public Libraries C.E.O. "We want people to know that whether they're isolating at home or a designated Isolation Centre, we're here to help. The Library has so much to offer to keep people engaged and entertained."

For more information, or to use our online services, including borrowing eBooks, audiobooks, movies, music, or attend virtual programs, visit our website: [www.oshawalibrary.on.ca](http://www.oshawalibrary.on.ca).

***Oshawa Public Libraries*** serves the City of Oshawa through 4 locations. To learn more about Oshawa Public Libraries, visit our website at [oshlib.ca](http://oshlib.ca). To get the most current updates on what's happening at the Library, follow us on Twitter and Instagram @oshawalibraries

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