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## Lacey Timberland Library celebrates building's 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary



Today's [Lacey Timberland Library](#) is a far cry from the pink bookmobile that in January 1966 began service as the newly incorporated city's first public library. The library was moved into rented quarters in Market Square by December 1966, and then to a 4,800 square foot space in the Lacey Village Shopping Center in 1976. The 20,000 square foot library that serves the Lacey area today opened in March 1991, located between City Hall and Saint Martin's College (now Saint Martin's University).

On Saturday, October 22, an all-day open house will celebrate the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the current library building, a spacious, comfortable, well-lit facility nestled in its own wooded lot. Visitors can view a display of the library's history, organized by the Lacey Museum and the Friends of the Lacey Timberland Library, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

A program in the library meeting room will begin at 1 p.m. with remarks by Mayor Tom Nelson, former City Manager Greg Cuoio, Timberland Regional Library Director Michael Crose and a member of the Friends of the Library. Light refreshments will be served.

The library is located at 500 College Street SE, Lacey. For more details, please contact the library at (360) 491-3860 or go to [www.TRL.org](http://www.TRL.org).

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Timberland Regional Library provides for the information, reading and lifelong learning needs of the Grays Harbor, Lewis, Mason, Pacific, and Thurston county public at 27 community public libraries and 7 library service partner locations. The library system is funded mainly by local property taxes. Anyone needing special accommodations to participate in a library's program may contact the library one week in advance.