

## FAQ

## What Patrons Are Saying...

### What can I borrow?



Almost everything!

Every library has its own rules, especially regarding DVDs and new books. Call before traveling to any Open Borrowing library to make sure that you will be able to borrow what you want.

### How long may I keep the material?

Every library has its own rules, therefore it is important to always ask the staff from the library you are visiting. Most libraries will give you a receipt or due date sticker to help you.

### Where can I return what I have checked out?

You can return the items to any library listed on the membership lists inside this brochure.

### Please Note:

Each library reserves the right to limit or refuse loan privileges to a patron based on their individual library policies and procedures.



*"Open Borrowing is an amazing service...."*

*"I enjoy being able to find the resource material I'm looking for without the limitations of location."*

*"I have the green sticker on my card and that gives me the access to go to the libraries that I need."*

*"I can go to libraries close to work, home, school, or shopping."*

## Questions?

- Call the library: 732-632-8526
- Visit the website : [www.metuchenlibrary.org](http://www.metuchenlibrary.org)
- Visit the library in person!



# 10 Million Choices – 1 Library Card



Find out how you can borrow 10 million books, DVDs, and CDs with your Metuchen Library Card!



480 Middlesex Avenue  
Metuchen, NJ 08840  
Phone: 732-632-8526

# 1 Library Card ... More than 150 libraries to visit...

## LMxAC

The Metuchen Public Library is a member of **LMxAC**: the Libraries of Middlesex Automation Consortium.

### What do I need to do to begin taking advantage of this membership?

*Nothing!* When you register for a Metuchen Library card, you automatically are entered into the systems of the other LMxAC libraries.



### How it works:

- Visit any LMxAC library to check out and return
- Use online catalog to view the items owned by LMxAC libraries
- Request items from LMxAC libraries to be sent to any other library for pick-up

### LMxAC Members:

- Carteret
- Dunellen
- East Brunswick
- Edison
- Elizabeth
- Jamesburg
- Kenilworth
- Keyport
- Long Branch
- Matawan-Aberdeen
- Metuchen
- Middlesex
- Middlesex County College
- Milltown
- Monroe Township
- New Brunswick
- North Brunswick
- Old Bridge
- Perth Amboy
- Piscataway
- Plainfield
- Plainsboro
- Red Bank
- Roselle
- Roselle Park
- Sayreville
- South Amboy
- South Brunswick
- South Plainfield
- South River
- Spotswood
- Springfield

## MURAL

The Metuchen Public Library is a member of **MURAL**: the Middlesex Union Reciprocal Agreement of Libraries.

### What do I need to do to begin taking advantage of this membership?

Just bring your Metuchen card with you. Some locations also may require that you present a form of ID with your home address.

### How it works:

Visit any MURAL library in person to check out their material and also return material borrowed from another MURAL library.

### MURAL Members:

- Berkeley Heights
- Carteret
- Clark
- Cranbury
- Cranford
- Dunellen
- East Brunswick
- Edison
- Elizabeth
- Fanwood
- Garwood
- Highland Park
- Hillside
- Jamesburg
- Kenilworth
- Linden
- Long Branch
- Metuchen
- Middlesex
- Milltown
- Monroe
- Mountainside
- New Brunswick
- New Providence
- North Brunswick
- Old Bridge
- Perth Amboy
- Piscataway
- Plainfield
- Plainsboro
- Rahway
- Roselle
- Roselle Park
- Sayreville
- Scotch Plains
- South Amboy
- South Brunswick
- South Plainfield
- South River
- Spotswood
- Summit
- Union
- Westfield

## Open Borrowing

The Metuchen Public Library is a member of **Open Borrowing**:

A reciprocal program for library patrons to borrow in-person from among more than 150 public libraries in Northern NJ:

- LMxAC (Libraries Of Middlesex Automation Consortium),
- M.A.I.N. (Morris Automated Information Network),
- PALS (Passaic Library System),
- SWELL (Sussex Warren Electronic Lending Libraries).
- Hunterdon County Libraries

### What do I need to do to begin taking advantage of this membership?

Ask Metuchen Library staff to set up this service.. Staff will place a green "Open Borrowing" sticker on your library card. You can now bring your card to any Open Borrowing library so that each library may register your card in their computer system. Some locations also may require that you present a form of ID with your home address.

### How it works:

Visit any Open Borrowing library in person to check out their material and also return material borrowed.



### Open Borrowing Members:

Ask a librarian for a complete list or visit [www.openborrowing.org](http://www.openborrowing.org) for a complete list of participating libraries from each of the county.