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**For Immediate Release****NCW LIBRARIES OFFERS WINTER READING PROGRAM**

11/29/2023 - NCW Libraries' annual Winter Reading Program begins on Dec. 1 and is available at all 30 library locations and online at [www.ncwlibraries.org](http://www.ncwlibraries.org). The goal for the program is to inspire everyone to read during the cold winter months.

"Our winter reading program is all about reading for fun. It's an invitation for community members of all ages to make time to read. We want to foster a culture of reading for all, whether that's with a book, an audiobook, or even a magazine. Join us!" said Alicia O'Dell, Adult Services Manager.

Through the program, participants can set a personal reading goal and track their reading either using paper reading logs or through Beanstack, NCW Libraries' digital reading program platform. Print reading logs are available at every library location.

Anyone who meets their reading goal using the paper reading log will receive a small prize. Online participants will earn digital raffle tickets to enter into prize drawings.

Another goal of the program is to inspire reading for the whole community. Every NCW Libraries location will set a community specific reading goal. Each branch will feature a large reading thermometer to visually track how many books everyone has read. Anyone can stop by their local library to report how many books they have read and help their community reach their goal.

Last winter, NCW readers logged 20,000 books read during the two-month program.

For anyone needing some help finding a great read, NCW Libraries staff are always ready with recommendations. Local libraries will feature book displays and library patrons are encouraged to make their own recommendations and write reviews. NCW Libraries website and social media channels will also be featuring book recommendations for all ages throughout the program.

Pick up a reading log from any library or the Bookmobile. Or sign up online at [www.ncwlibraries.org](http://www.ncwlibraries.org) starting Dec. 1.

**MORE INFORMATION**

[www.ncwlibraries.org](http://www.ncwlibraries.org)

[Winter Reading Program homepage](#)

[Beanstack App](#) – Available for free in the App Store