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Chelsea District Library to Lend Wi-Fi Hotspots!

Beginning June 13, 2016, the Chelsea District Library will be providing 15 Wi-Fi hotspots for cardholders to checkout. This new program is in keeping with its mission to provide equal access to quality resources that serve the lifelong cultural, educational and informational needs and interests of all people.

Chelsea District Library is actively engaged in adapting our services to expand access to our online resources. This service initiative was started due to the lack of broadband access in the rural areas of the Library district. Access to information empowers the community to learn new skills, enrich lives, explore new ideas, find employment, discover new business opportunities, and contribute to the community. These hotspots will allow users to access the internet in areas without broadband, do homework on their devices, and allow access to the Library's online resources.

The new Wi-Fi hotspots will be located on the library's 2nd floor and are available for a non-renewable 3-week checkout period. They offer unlimited data over the Sprint 4G and 3G network, can support up to 10 devices at once, and will cover a 30 to 40ft range. They have very basic filtering, however they are not encrypted or secured. For more information about our Wi-Fi Hotspot program, please ask a librarian or our checkout staff. You can also email Melanie Bell at mbell@chelseadistrictlibrary.org or read the complete FAQ sheet at chelseadistrictlibrary.org/hotspot.

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About Us: Chelsea District Library is nonprofit organization whose mission is to provide equal access to quality resources that serve the lifelong cultural, educational and informational needs and interests of all people. The Library currently serves 14,000 residents in the Chelsea district – City of Chelsea plus Dexter, Lima , Lyndon and Sylvan townships and more than 20,000 individuals visit the Library each month. For more information visit chelseadistrictlibrary.org.

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