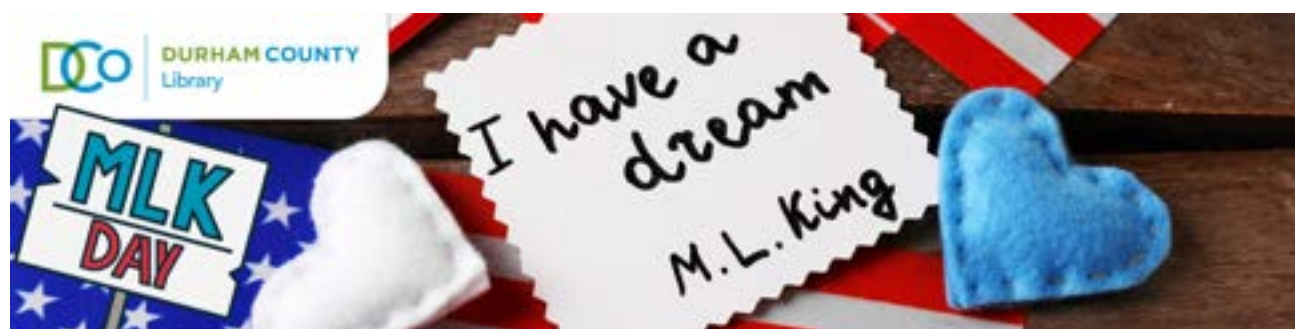


Happy New Year from Durham County Library

Dear Durham Community,

We would like to take the opportunity to wish each of you a Happy New Year! Last year was a great year for the library; we set circulation records, and so many of you came to our locations. In addition, just last month, our [Stanford L. Warren Branch Library](#) reopened to the public following over three years of repairs and renovations. The reopening ceremony featured a talk by Eileen Watts Welch, a descendent of Dr. Aaron McDuffie Moore, a figure crucial to Stanford L. Warren's history. For more Stanford L. Warren Branch history, check out our [North Carolina Collection's digital exhibit!](#)

Representatives from Durham County and the City of Durham, the [Durham Library Foundation](#), the [Friends of the Durham Library](#), and the local community joined library team members to celebrate this momentous event. We can't wait to see you at one of [Stanford L. Warren's program offerings](#) this year! We are so excited to begin 2025 with [all seven of our locations](#) open. We invite you to stop by and check out a book, use a computer, ask a friendly library team member for assistance, or just spend some time in one of our buildings.



Durham County Library to Close for Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday on Monday, January 20

This time last year, library team members collected our [responses to the question, "What does Black History mean to me?!"](#) This year, we want to hear from you, our patrons! As we commemorate the birth of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. on Monday, January 20, what does Black History mean to you? Please [fill out this digital form](#), and we'll include some of your responses in next month's newsletter.

Please note that all Durham County Library locations will be closed on Monday, January 20 in recognition of the holiday.

[What does Black History mean to you?](#)



Durham County Library Annual Report

At the end of each calendar year, we release our Annual Report to celebrate our accomplishments in the previous fiscal year. This year's report covers the library's activities from July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024. In the report, you'll read about our wide variety of programs and learn some interesting statistics about Durham County Library. Be sure to [check out our YouTube channel](#) for our playlist of Annual Report videos. In these six videos, we interviewed some of our biggest fans about what they love about the library! See below for our interview with library regular and entrepreneur DJ Ferguson.

[Read the Annual Report](#)

DJ Ferguson Annual Report Video:



Upcoming Friends of the Durham Library Events

The Friends of the Durham Library is a 501(c)(3) organization that supports Durham County Library through staff scholarships, programming grants, and more. The Friends sell gently used books, CDs, DVDs, and games donated by the community. For upcoming events, membership information, donation instructions, and more, please [visit the Friends' website](#).

You can shop for books any time at the [Friends' online storefront](#). Each month, the Friends discount books in certain categories in their online store by 25%, so be sure to check their website for this month's discount!

Pop-Up CD Sale
Main Library
Saturday, January 11, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

The Friends of the Durham Library will host a pop-up CD sale at Main Library on Saturday, January 11. There will be thousands of CDs from every genre. Most are single CDs or two-disc sets, but many outstanding boxed sets will also be available. Some CDs are new and still in the shrink-wrap, all for just \$1 each. Multi-disc sets are just \$1 per disc.



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