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## CALL THE NEWARK PUBLIC LIBRARY'S LA SALA HISPANOAMERICANA FOR BOOKS AND ASSISTANCE IN SPANISH

## La Sala Team Offering Grab & Go Service and LIVE Tele Reference

**NEWARK**, **NJ**, **August 18**, **2020** – La Sala Hispanoamericana's team at the Newark Public Library announced that it is offering its Spanish-speaking patrons LIVE tele-reference services Monday through Friday, from 10AM to 4PM, and free, contactless **Grab & Go** service, from 11AM to 3PM.

Community members can now call the Sala (973-733-7772) for LIVE tele-reference services and talk with a Spanish-speaking librarian who will answer their questions on any topic, provide requested information, and assemble their order of books for *Grab & Go* service. Patrons can also contact the Sala via email at <a href="mailto:salastaff@npl.org">salastaff@npl.org</a>.

The Newark Public Library's *Grab & Go* service allows patrons to borrow a maximum of 10 items after requesting them via phone, email, or by placing them "on hold" in the online catalog (<a href="http://catalog.npl.org">http://catalog.npl.org</a>). Sala staff will assemble your Spanish book order. When you receive the message that your items are ready, please telephone the Sala to arrange a pickup time. Your items will already be checked out to you before you pick up your *Grab& Go* order at the door of the Main Library at 5 Washington Street. The Library asks that patrons using the *Grab & Go* services maintain a physical distance of six feet and wear masks or face coverings at all times.

In order to participate in the *Grab & Go* services, a library card is required. Any Newark resident who does not have a library card can request one for free at <a href="http://npl.org/librarycard">http://npl.org/librarycard</a>.

The Sala Hispanoamericana maintains the most extensive collection of materials in Spanish of all the public libraries in the state. It is recognized as a source of information and resources in Spanish for libraries throughout New Jersey. The collection includes books for adults and children, magazines, audiobooks, internet access and other electronic resources in Spanish, which encompasses myriad topics and interests, including: health, parenting, computers, self-help, the occult, best sellers, art, philosophy, literature, religion, history, biographies, and much more.

## **About Newark Public Library**

Since 1889, The Newark Public Library has been an anchor institution in Newark. It is New Jersey's most comprehensive public library, serving nearly 10,000 patrons per week and providing equal access for all to vast educational, cultural, literary, historical and digital resources. Through its Main Library and seven branches, The Newark Public Library provides

residents of Newark with reference help for job searches and accessing social services, ESL and computer classes, and family literacy programs. To learn how to become involved with The Newark Public Library, please visit the website <a href="https://www.npl.org">www.npl.org</a>.