



WE'RE turning the page ON PERIOD POVERTY.

Dear Community,

We believe that period supplies, like pads and tampons, are necessities that should be readily available and easily accessible to all members of our community. Which is why we are excited to announce that we have joined the national movement to offer free period supplies in all libraries.

We're turning the page on period poverty by making it easier for our communities to access necessary products when and where they need them.

These kinds of products are not often readily available, accessible or affordable. Studies have shown that one in five teens struggle to afford period supplies, and 86% of women surveyed said they started their period unexpectedly in a public space.

Join us on **Monday, March 27, at 3:30 PM**, for our special event featuring a behind-the-scenes look at the making of *Go With The Flow*, with authors [Karen Schneemann](#) and [Lily Williams](#). To mark the launch of our new period equity offering and in honor of Women's History Month, this interactive livestream event will explore themes of friendship, puberty, menstrual equity and activism, all through the lens of a heartwarming graphic novel. This program is best suited for students in the 5th grade and up.

Free period supplies are now available in bathrooms across our libraries.

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[Meet Author Laura Numeroff](#)

Welcome author Laura Numeroff to our [North Fair Oaks Library](#) on **Thursday, March 30 at 6:30 PM**. Join us at the library for this special storytime and short presentation of Laura's adventures. A Q&A session and book signing will follow. Limited copies of Laura's books will be available for the first 15 families that attend the event.

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[We're Hiring for Big Lift Inspiring Summers](#)

Spend your summer having fun and connecting with youth, by leading learning camps for K-3rd grade children with [San Mateo County Libraries](#). If you enjoy working with youth, tutoring or are interested in exploring education, this is an opportunity to make a difference in the lives of children and families. Pay is competitive at \$20.00 – \$33.00 per hour.

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[Cooking Demo With Anna Voloshyna, Author of Budmo!](#)

Get excited and heat up your favorite pan, because we've got a virtual Ukrainian cooking demo just for you! We're excited to welcome [Anna Voloshyna](#) for a special cooking demo based on her new book, *Budmo! Recipes From a Ukrainian Kitchen* on **Tuesday, April 4 at 6:30 PM** over Zoom!

[Register Now](#)



[Spring Into Gardening With the Master Gardeners](#)

In spite of the storms, spring has officially sprung! Come join us as we welcome the change in seasons with our series of in-person talks all about spring gardening, featuring [the Master Gardeners](#). In these [introductory classes](#), you can learn how to set up butterfly and bee-friendly gardens, how to grow herbs and edible flowers, and how to start container gardening.

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Explore, learn and connect at our [library programs](#)! You might also be interested in...

[All About Herbs & Edible Flowers and Seed Swap](#)

Wednesday, March 29 • 6:00 PM • Atherton Library

Learn the basics of growing, harvesting and using culinary herbs and edible flowers. Registration is required.

[Understanding Alzheimer's and Dementia](#)

Thursday, March 30 • 12:30 PM • East Palo Alto Library

Join us to learn about Alzheimer's and dementia, current treatments and where to find resources. Registration is required.

[Power Up Afternoons – Maker Activities: Pizza Pillows](#)

Thursday, March 30 • 3:00 PM • Woodside Library

Create your own custom slice of comfort by decorating your huggable pizza slice! We provide the toppings, you provide the creativity!

[VA Mobile Clinic and Services](#)

Monday, April 3 • 10:00 AM • Half Moon Bay Library

Drop by and ask any questions about veteran benefits, their spouses, dependents and parents of deceased veterans. Staff can provide consultations, referrals and assist in navigating the VA system.

[Art Talk – Facing Mecca: Reflections of Islam in Art](#)

Monday, April 3 • 7:00 PM

Join the virtual docent lecture by the Asian Art Museum and be fascinated by the complexity and breadth of Islamic art. Registration is required.

[Peter and the Wolf With the Academy of Ballet and Etiquette](#)

Tuesday, April 4 • 4:00 PM • North Fair Oaks Library

You are invited to celebrate the Month of the Young Child by joining us for an active program of Peter and the Wolf.

[Explore All Events](#)

Make sure to [follow our blogs](#) for updates on new events, resources and services.



Stay connected with our family of libraries!

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