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New Library Director Brings Successful Record To The Hunterdon County Library System



After an extensive search, James Keebler, formerly the President of the New Jersey Library Association and a New Jersey Librarian of the Year, has been named Director of the Hunterdon County Library system, replacing Mark Titus, who retired last year.

Mr. Keebler, a Hunterdon County resident, has over 12 year experience as a Library Director, having served as Director for both the Piscataway and New Providence Library systems. Mr. Keebler holds a Master of Public Administration and Master of Library Science, both from Rutgers University.

Freeholder Deputy Director Suzanne Lagay, liaison to the Library Commission, stated, "The effort put forth in the search for a new Library Director paid off. We feel confident that Mr. Keebler is the right fit for Hunterdon County and our libraries.

Mr. Keebler comes to us with extensive qualifications and leadership experience, having achieved a successful record as a Director of other systems. The Freeholder Board and Library Commission are excited about what he will bring to our libraries and the many Hunterdon County library patrons."

Mr. Keebler's record includes increasing library schedules for public accessibility, seeking out funding opportunities and technological advances, including being part of a team that created the first makerspace in a public library in New Jersey. He has developed library websites, newsletters, and annual reports, as well as being a founding member of the planning team for NJ Makers Day, a statewide celebration of making and maker culture.

Brad Myhre, Hunterdon County Human Resources Director, said, "We would like to give a big thank you to Deputy Director Jennifer Winberry for the fine work that she has done to date. Deputy Director Winberry has a tremendous amount of passion for the Hunterdon Library system, its employees and the patrons that it serves. Ms. Winberry will continue to remain a key partner in helping to share the future of Hunterdon County's libraries as they continue to adapt to technology changes and patron needs."

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Jean E. Allured, Hunterdon County Library Commission Chair said, “We are delighted with the selection of James Keehbler as our new Hunterdon County Library Director and look forward to seeing what we can do together to benefit the Hunterdon County community.”

Hunterdon County has three main county locations and ten municipal locations, [click here](#) to access the website.

Mr. James Keehbler said, “It is certainly a challenge to find the best ways to serve a community with multiple libraries spread out in different communities. My vision for the library is to be continually evolving, creating community partnerships, evaluating existing services and developing new ones, to become an exemplary library that creates opportunities to inform, to inspire and support innovation for our residents.”