

Libraries

The Cumberland County Public Library & Information Center includes the Headquarters Library in downtown Fayetteville and six branch locations spread throughout the county. Three of the locations are open seven days a week; the other branches are closed only on Sunday. Each location offers conference rooms, an activity room and public computers.

Access to the library's catalog is available 24/7 on its web site and Mobile Outreach Service is available for homebound residents. Online help from librarians is available 24/7.

Wireless service is available at all seven locations. The system employs close to 200 staff members.

The Headquarters Library has more than 45,000 foreign language books, sound recordings and videos located on the second floor. More than 125 different languages are represented in the collection. These items can be borrowed and are listed in the library's catalog of resources.

Library cards are free for those who live or own property in Cumberland County (persons who do not live or own property in Cumberland County must pay an annual fee of \$25.00 for a library card). The library system offers more than 2,000 free programs for all ages including story times for children, activities for teens and computer classes ranging from basic Internet to blogging and online investing. More than 1.8 million items were loaned in 2006, including books, magazines, DVDs, audiobooks and CDs.

Meeting rooms and activity rooms are available free of charge to the public for various functions.

Visit www.cumberland.lib.nc.us for more information.