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Irving Residents Find Books Faster with Library's New Online Catalog

Irving Library launches new state-of-the-art online catalog Aug. 28

(IRVING, TEXAS)—Residents soon will find books, e-books, DVDs, and other library items faster and conduct business on-the-go with Polaris, Irving Library's new online catalog. The system works seamlessly with the city's website and is optimized for computer, tablet and smartphone users. The public is invited to try the new online catalog and modernized services when the system goes live August 28.

Polaris, with the look and feel of an Internet search engine, makes the experience of searching for library materials more enjoyable. Customers will notice a simplified catalog search page, with attractive carousels of book recommendations, new arrivals and bestsellers. Polaris has handy new features allowing users to track their reading history, create e-mail alerts and send call numbers to their mobile phones.

Polaris offers 24-hour, seven-day-a-week access to the library's online catalog and databases for a community on-the-move. Residents can go from browsing the library's popular eBook collection to checking out in fewer steps with the new system. New account features include an option to personalize user names and PINs, update contact information, and receive text notifications.

Residents are invited to visit cityofirving.org/library for more information.

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About the City of Irving

Irving is the second city in the nation and the first in the State of Texas to receive the [Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award](#) (2012) as well as the first municipality in Texas' history to receive the [Texas Award for Performance Excellence](#) (2011). Irving is the 13th largest city in the state with 227,000 residents and is home to the largest office park in North Texas, where more than 10 percent of Fortune 500 companies are headquartered or have a significant presence.