



## **ADDISON LIBRARY SERVICES FAQ**

### **Why can I no longer get a Farmers Branch Library card?**

On March 22, 2018, Farmers Branch informed Addison that they are terminating the contract between our cities for library services. Because of an unresolved dispute regarding the impact of Vitruvian Pond on Farmers Branch Creek, Farmers Branch has cancelled multiple contracts with the Town, including library services. Effective March 28, Addison will no longer be issuing Farmers Branch library cards. Residents will still be able to get a Dallas Public Library card and can continue to access the Farmers Branch Library, and other area libraries, through the TexShare program.

### **I have a Farmers Branch Library card now. How long can I use it?**

You can use it until it expires. When you renew your card at the Athletic Club, you will be given a Dallas Public Library card.

### **How do I get a Dallas Library Card?**

Bring proof of residency (Driver's license, rental agreement, utility bill, etc.) to the Addison Athletic Club at 3900 Beltway Drive during Club hours and the staff will issue you a voucher. Redeem that voucher at the Fretz Park Library (6990 Belt Line Road, at the corner of Belt Line and Hillcrest) first to get your card, but then you can use any library in the Dallas system.

### **What is the TexShare Program?**

TexShare is a consortium of Texas libraries joining together to share print and electronic materials, purchase online resources, and combine staff expertise. A TexShare card provides you with borrowing privileges from more than 500 participating libraries across the state, including Farmers Branch and Carrollton. You can get a complete list of participating libraries at: [www.tsl.texas.gov/texshare/card](http://www.tsl.texas.gov/texshare/card).

**How can I participate?**

Once you have your Dallas Library Card, you can apply for your TexShare card at the circulation desk at any Dallas Public Library location. Photo identification and address verification is required. The card is good for a period of six months, after which it can be renewed at six month intervals if you are in good standing with the library.

**The first time you visit a library to use your TexShare Card, be sure to bring a photo ID, your library card from your home library, and your TexShare Card.** You'll be asked to complete a registration form in order to activate your borrowing privileges at that library.