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### Library Expansion Project Moves Forward: Temporary Closure Scheduled

**Morris, IL - September 2, 2025** - The Morris Area Public Library is excited to provide an update on its expansion project, which will enhance library services, increase community space, and improve access for patrons of all ages.

Over the past several months, significant progress has been made on the library's expansion project. The houses previously located on the property have been removed, and soil and compaction testing has been completed to ensure a strong foundation. Excavation and digging work has been finished, and the foundation footings are now in place.

Crews have completed framing the walls, pouring both the interior and exterior walls, and finishing backfill work. With these essential structural steps complete, the project is now ready to move into the interior renovation phase beginning in September.

As construction moves forward, **interior renovation work is scheduled to begin in September**. To allow crews to begin this next phase safely and efficiently, the library will be **closed from Wednesday, September 24 through Sunday, September 28, 2025**.

The library will **reopen on Monday, September 29, 2025**, with regular hours. Patrons are encouraged to plan ahead for library visits and material checkouts prior to the closure dates. Digital resources, including eBooks, audiobooks, and online databases, will remain available 24/7 at [www.morrislibrary.com](http://www.morrislibrary.com).

"We are thrilled to see this project moving forward and can't wait to welcome our community into an improved library space," said Resa Mai, Director of the Morris Area Public Library. "We appreciate everyone's patience and understanding during this short closure."

For ongoing updates about the expansion project, visit [www.morrislibrary.com](http://www.morrislibrary.com) or follow the library on social media.

**About Morris Area Public Library:** The Morris Area Public Library's mission is to provide materials, programming, and space to cultivate curiosity, enlighten the mind, and strengthen the community. We strive to offer diverse and enriching experiences for all members of our community.

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