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Ocean County Library Lakewood Branch Closed Friday for Maintenance

TOMS RIVER – The Ocean County Library Lakewood Branch will be closed Friday, July 29, for precautionary maintenance in the interest of safety for patrons, visitors, and staffers.

The closure stems from the July 27 discovery of bed bugs in a drop box located outside the building. Library officials proactively authorized the building's closure the same day.

Inspection of the building and grounds indicated no insects beyond the external drop boxes. However, it was determined that pre-emptive measures would ensure safety and security for patrons and staffers.

On Thursday, July 28, Library facilities workers assessed the building's interior, created a precautionary action plan, and contracted vendors for cleaning and pest control.

Patrons are welcome to use the Library's online resources, databases, eBooks, eMagazines, video and audio streams and digital classes. They are available continuously at www.theoceancountylibrary.org.

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