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## New Bedford libraries launch mobile app

**New Bedford, Massachusetts**— The New Bedford Free Public Library system has continued its efforts to go digital by adding the SAILS Library Network mobile app, SAILS Mobile.

SAILS Mobile makes it quick and easy to access the SAILS Library Network, of which New Bedford is a member. It is a new, convenient way for members to search the catalog, download items, manage their accounts, or find suggested reading on their phones.

Olivia Melo, New Bedford's library director, encouraged residents to download the app on their smartphones to learn more about the libraries' offerings.

"We're excited our library system's items will be available on the app, and that our members will have the ability to manage their checkouts and holds, search for books and movies, and see events hosted at our libraries, all with a few clicks on their phone," said Melo. "We hope everyone will take the opportunity to download the app to find out what's happening at their local library."

The app's features include:

- Search for items in the network by title, author, subject, or general keyword and place holds on interesting titles.
- Manage your account view your checked-out items, fines, account information and manage holds. You can also link accounts to manage your family's checkouts and holds, all in the same place.
- Find libraries in the network, see if they're currently open, and decide what events you want to attend.
- Search by barcode: Use your device's camera to scan the barcode on a book, CD, DVD, or other item at a friend's house or bookstore and search for available copies in the SAILS' Network.

Anyone with questions or concerns upon downloading may contact the SAILS Library Network at <a href="mailto:eservices@sailsinc.org">eservices@sailsinc.org</a>.

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