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Harmon Library, pictured above, recently celebrated five years of service in its new building. The original location, Phoenix Public Library's first branch facility, was established in 1950. Harmon Library will launch a seed library later this month! Learn more below.

## Featured Story

### Seed Library @ Harmon

Phoenix Public Library will soon join the seed library movement!

Join us from 1 - 3 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 15 for the Seed Library launch party at Harmon Library, 1325 S. 5th Ave. Get free seeds and find out how you can be a part of the action! Seed libraries help contribute to sustainable food systems and local agriculture.



The Seed Library @ Harmon has over 100 varieties of fruit, vegetable and perennial seeds available for check out to Phoenix Public Library customers. Gardeners of every level are invited to "borrow" seeds and participate in our ongoing Seed Library workshops. Additionally, participants may donate saved seeds from their harvest to the collection.

[Upcoming FREE Seed Library workshops include:](#)

#### Composting 101

6 - 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 18

Learn the basics from Recycled City's expert composters.

#### Seed Harvesting Orientation

6 - 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 20

Learn how to save seeds from your harvest. Find out how to be a Seed Library volunteer.

#### Ask a Master Gardener

11 a.m. - noon Saturday, Nov. 29

Master Gardeners from the University of Arizona Pima County Cooperative Extension will answer your gardening questions.

### How do I check out seeds?

- Seed packets can be checked out at Harmon Library with your valid Phoenix Public Library card. Each seed packet counts toward the total number of items checked out on your account.
- You may check out up to three seed packets at a time with a limit of three seed packets checked out per three week period.
- You do not need to return the seed packets; they will automatically be removed from your account after the three week check out period.

### How do I save and donate seeds?

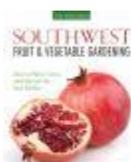
Saved seeds from your harvest can be donated to the Seed Library @ Harmon. For more information, visit the Harmon Library or attend a seed harvesting workshop.

### How do I learn about Seed Library workshops?

The Seed Library will continually offer FREE workshops covering everything from composting to seed harvesting. Visit the online calendar for upcoming Seed Library @ Harmon programs.

### Recommended Reading

Good seed makes a good crop! *Staff Picks: Urban Grown* includes a wide variety of books on the topics of edible gardening and seed harvesting along with links to local resources. Here are two stand outs:



Southwest Fruit & Vegetable Gardening: Plant, Grow, and Harvest the Best Edibles  
by Soule, Jacqueline A.



The Complete Guide to Saving Seeds : 322 Vegetables, Herbs, Flowers, Fruits, Trees, and Shrubs  
by Gough, Robert E.

## EXTRA! EXTRA! New Magazines Added to Zinio

Some of the world's most popular magazines are now available to Phoenix Public Library customers for free via Zinio. Zinio has recently acquired the Conde Nast collection of magazines for digital circulation. New, full digital issues of the following magazines are being added to the collection:

Allure  
Architectural Digest



Bon Appetit  
Brides  
Conde Nast Traveler  
Details  
Glamour  
Golf Digest  
GQ  
Lucky  
SELF  
Teen Vogue  
The New Yorker  
Vanity Fair  
Vogue  
W Magazine  
WIRED

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## Children Build Literacy Skills with the Help of Therapy Dogs

Children accompanied by an adult are invited to read to registered Therapy Dogs at Phoenix Public Library locations throughout the Valley. Therapy Dogs are excellent listeners and help to build the confidence of young readers. Reading aloud to a friendly Therapy Dog in a relaxed environment creates a positive learning experience and leads to improved reading and social skills. For participating locations and times, visit the [online calendar](#).



Meet some of the Phoenix Public Library Therapy Dogs:



Sioux Pooh is a nine year old Newfoundland-Landseer. She volunteers at Desert Broom and Agave Libraries. She is named after the “Sioux” Indian tribe and Winnie the “Pooh.”  
Favorite Activity: Swimming



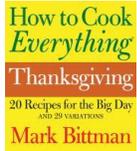
Orlagh is a four year old Golden Retriever. She passed the AKC Canine Good Citizen test at six months old. She volunteers at Cesar Chavez and Agave Libraries.  
Favorite Toy: Tennis Balls



Gracie is a Border Collie. She volunteers at Century Library. Gracie loves to socialize and cuddle.  
Favorite Treat: Peanut Butter Buddy Biscuits

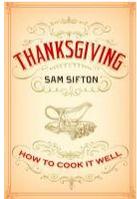
## Plan Your Thanksgiving Day Meal

Thanksgiving is just around the corner. Start planning your menu now and beat the last minute grocery store rush! Get some culinary inspiration with a few picks from our extensive cookbook collection:



### [How to Cook Everything Thanksgiving by Mark Bittman](#)

This eBook by Mark Bittman, author of the award-winning *How to Cook Everything Series*, provides readers with a quick reference that's sure to be your kitchen companion for many holidays to come.



### [Thanksgiving: How to Cook It Well by Sam Sifton](#)

From one of America's finest food writers, the former restaurant critic for The New York Times, this is a definitive, timeless guide to Thanksgiving dinner--preparing it, surviving it, and pulling it off in style.



### [Vegan for the Holidays: Celebration Feasts for Thanksgiving Through New Year's Day by Zel Allen](#)

Vegan cooking expert Zel Allen demonstrates that plant-based holiday foods are as delicious, innovative, and elegant as their hallowed meat-based counterparts.

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