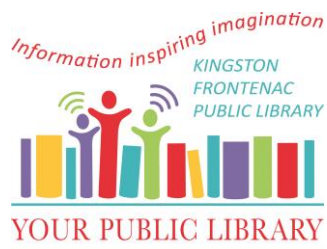


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### **KFPL collecting community's COVID-19 stories**

Across Kingston and Frontenac County, we are all experiencing the COVID-19 pandemic differently. Some of us are parents trying to guide their children through online schooling. Some of us are business owners trying to cover their bills during the shut-down. Everyone has their own story to tell.

The Kingston Frontenac Public Library's StoryMy project, started in 2012 to capture local history by recording residents' memories, is shifting its focus to capture the stories of the COVID-19 pandemic.

"We're looking for stories about everyday life in Kingston Frontenac during this unique time in history," said Kimberly Sutherland Mills, Manager of Programming and Outreach. "Community members are invited to contribute digital photos, images, text, audio and video recordings. The collection will share our community's story during the COVID-19 pandemic, connecting us now and preserving the memories the future."

Participants will be asked to consider a variety of prompting questions to help create their story: "What would you be doing today if the pandemic hadn't occurred? What's the hardest thing you're experiencing right now? What's the best thing? If you could send a message to someone living 10 years from now, what would you tell them?"

Selected stories will be shared on the Digital Kingston StoryMe site at [ [https://urldefense.com/v3/ https://www.digitalkingston.ca/story-me](https://urldefense.com/v3/https://www.digitalkingston.ca/story-me) ;!!MtWvt2UVEQ!RCGjK9pmG2i1sJHxmZK8X3cZ\_WU5hKfo8o8iUXkHbJZ3qyK\_C9ucGy7UPv0CnPOig\$ | <https://www.digitalkingston.ca/story-me> ] .

To learn how to participate, visit [ [https://urldefense.com/v3/ https://www.digitalkingston.ca/story-me/storyme-covid-19-edition](https://urldefense.com/v3/https://www.digitalkingston.ca/story-me/storyme-covid-19-edition) ;!!MtWvt2UVEQ!RCGjK9pmG2i1sJHxmZK8X3cZ\_WU5hKfo8o8iUXkHbJZ3qyK\_C9ucGy7UPuMr6zQng\$ | <https://www.digitalkingston.ca/story-me/storyme-covid-19-edition> ]

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