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**(Photo Caption:** Glendale Public Library patron, Nicole Miller tries one of the laptop computers now available for check out at the library. – Photo by Valerie Rupp)

## **Check Out a Laptop Computer at The Glendale Public Libraries**

The Glendale Public Library is now checking out laptop computers in addition to its wide selection of books, magazines, CDs and DVDs.

Available at all three library locations, the WiFi enabled computers are provided by a grant from the Broadband Technology Opportunities Program (BTOP), and are available to library card holders for up to four hours of in-library use. The check out period may be extended for an additional four hours if there is no waiting list.

“This is a great opportunity for library patrons to curl up in a comfortable chair and surf the Internet, check their email, write a resume or even finish up a term paper,” said Cheryl Kennedy, acting library director. “Not being confined to one of our public computer rooms gives our patrons more privacy and flexibility.”

Kennedy explained that parents may take the laptops into the Youth Department for use while their children are finishing up homework or attending story times.

And job seekers will find the four-hour block of time especially helpful. “It’s amazing how quickly computer time flies,” said Kennedy. “When there is a waiting list for the public computers, having the option of using a laptop can ease a lot of stress.”

The laptop computers have wireless Internet, Microsoft Office programs and WinWay Resume, a resume writing software program.

Patrons wishing to print documents they create on the laptops must bring along a flash drive, or plan to purchase one from the library for \$11.00.

The possibilities  
start here

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Governor's Arts  
Award

Oldest library in the  
Valley, serving  
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**Glendale Public Library**  
Main Library  
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“Currently there is no wireless printing,” explained Kennedy, “But people can plug their flash drives into one of the public computers and print their saved materials as usual.”

To check out a laptop computer from Glendale Public Library, come to any of the three locations: Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St.; the Foothills Branch Library, 19055 N. 57<sup>th</sup> Avenue; or the Velma Teague Library, 7010 N. 58<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

Borrowers must present a current library card in good standing, along with an Arizona driver’s license or a state-issued identification card, and they must read and sign a laptop loan agreement.

For more information on checking out a laptop computer from Glendale Public Library, call 623-930-3530.

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