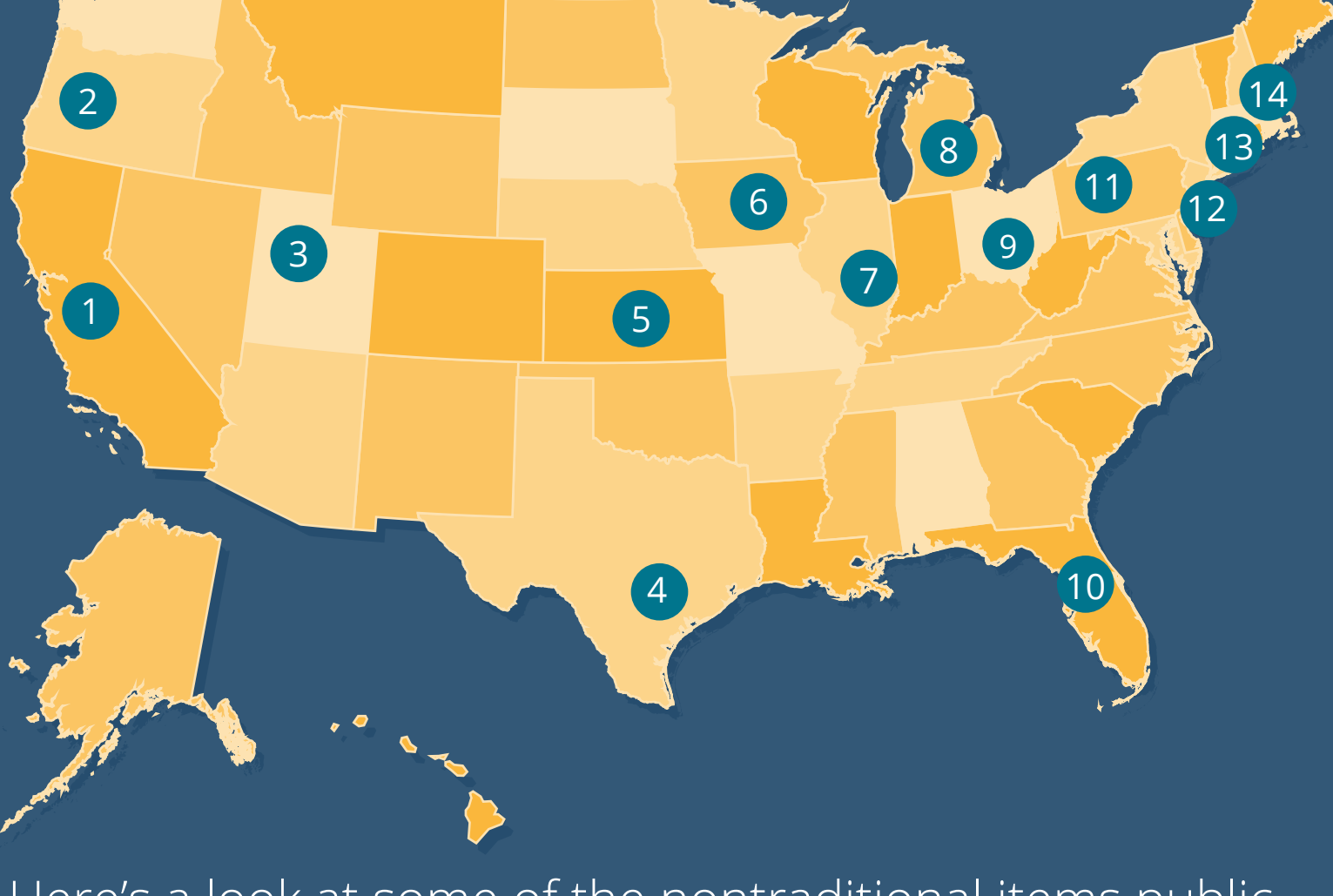


Library of Things

Public libraries around the world have joined the “**Library of Things**” movement, offering a plethora of nontraditional items for **checkout** such as sewing machines, board games, musical instruments, carpentry tools and camping equipment.



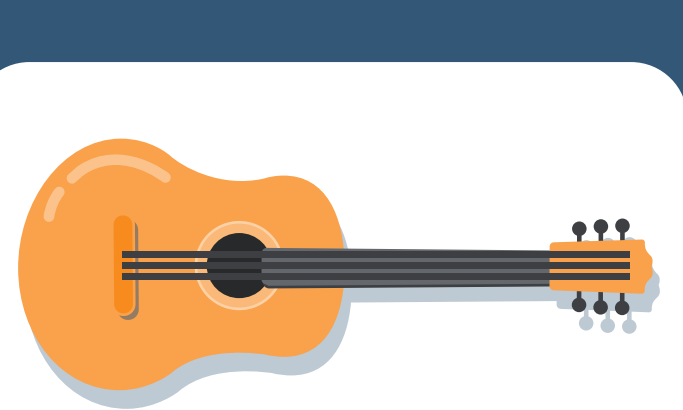
Here’s a look at some of the nontraditional items public libraries in the U.S. offer for checkout:



Portola Valley Library

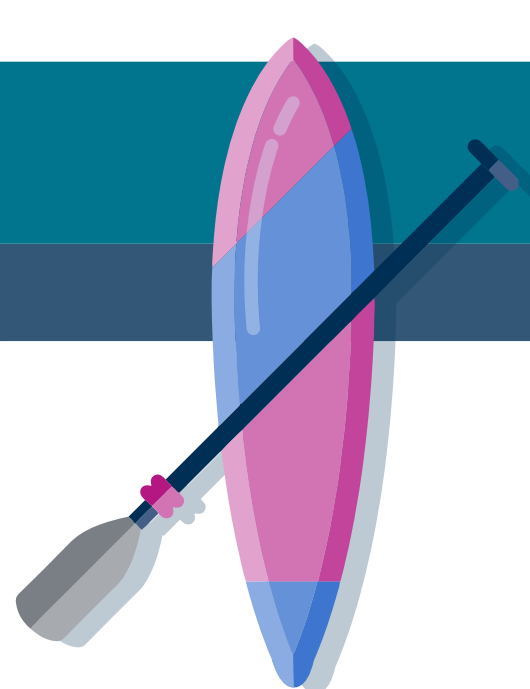
Portola Valley, California

1 Computer tablets



Hillsboro Public Library
Hillsboro, Oregon

2 Musical instruments



North Logan City Library
North Logan, Utah

3 Paddleboards



Brazoria County Library System

West Columbia, Texas

4 Camping equipment



Newton Public Library
Newton, Kansas

5 Wi-Fi hotspots



Cedar Falls Public Library
Cedar Falls, Iowa

6 Seeds

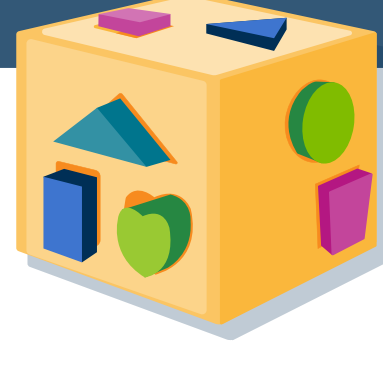
“A library of things bolsters the entrepreneurial spirit and strengthens the bonds that form a community.”

– Adam Winger, North Logan Library
North Logan, Utah



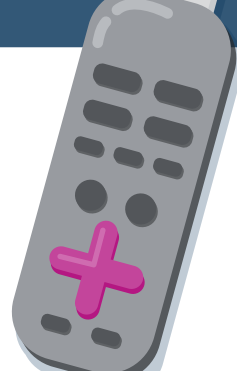
Park Ridge Public Library
Park Ridge, Illinois

7 Telescopes



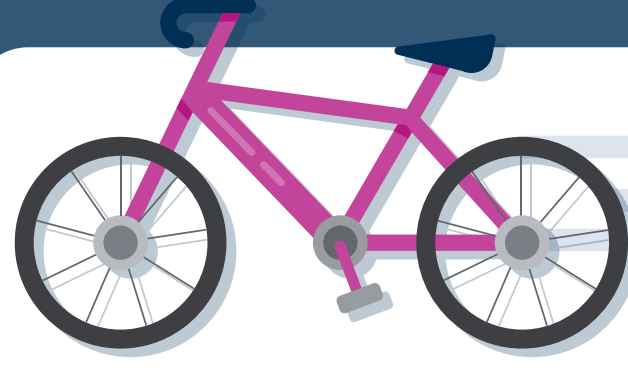
Bloomfield Township Public Library
Bloomfield Township, Michigan

8 Therapeutic toys for special needs children



Avon Lake Public Library
Avon Lake, Ohio

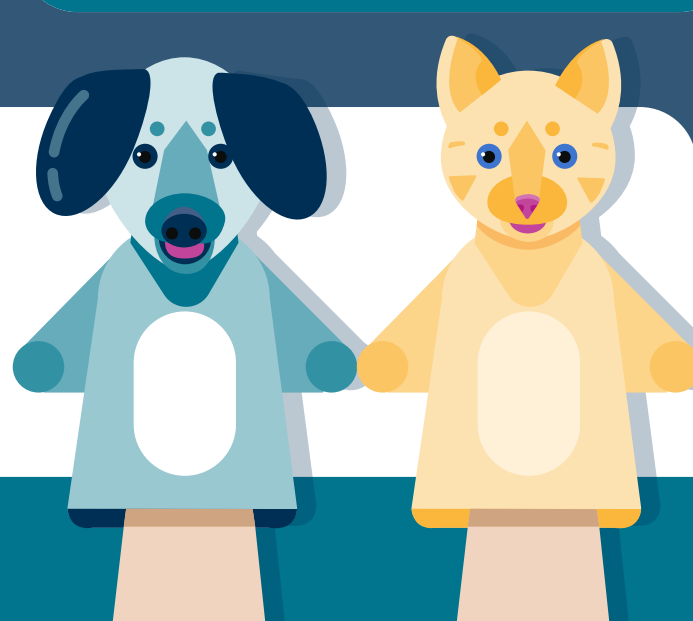
9 Roku digital streaming players



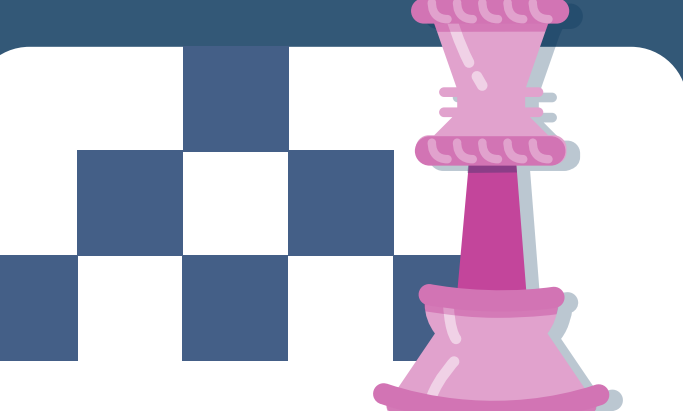
Winter Park Public Library
Winter Park, Florida

10 Bicycles

Northland Public Library
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania



11 Puppets



Glen Rock Public Library
Glen Rock, New Jersey

12 Board games



Bethel Public Library
Bethel, Connecticut

13 Cupcake pans



Watertown Free Public Library

Watertown, Massachusetts

14 Museum passes