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New "NovelBranch" of Ajax Public Library at the Ajax Community Centre.

7 July 2025—Ajax Public Library is proud to announce the launch of its new self-service book vending machine, NovelBranch, at the Ajax Community Centre. Conveniently located near the north entrance, NovelBranch makes it easier for busy families to access Library materials on the go. This exciting initiative was made possible through the generous financial support of the Rotary Club of Ajax.

"We know Ajax families are busy," says Sarah Vaisler, Chief Librarian and Executive Officer. "The Library wants to make sure the entire community has access to reading materials, even when they can't make it into one of our primary branches."

Residents can easily borrow items using their Ajax Public Library card: simply scan the card to access the NovelBranch, select the materials to borrow, and enjoy. Returning borrowed items is just as effortless: just place the items inside.

The Ajax Community Centre NovelBranch joins the Grandview Kids Express Branch as another small-scale option to reach Ajax residents. "Our goal is to bring convenient Library services to Ajax, and that means finding creative solutions within existing community spaces," continues Vaisler. "We are grateful to the Rotary Club of Ajax for recognizing the value of public library services and supporting the purchase of the vending machine."

The NovelBranch opens with a ribbon cutting on Thursday, July 17, 2025, at 2:00 p.m. Community members are welcome to attend and get a demonstration of the vending machine and be among the first to borrow.

More information about current Library services can be found on the Library's website at <u>www.ajaxlibrary.ca</u>. For updates, be sure to follow the Library on Facebook, Instagram, or LinkedIn.

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