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Equinox Announces Update to Curbside Pickup Plugin for Koha ILS

Duluth, Ga., August 28, 2020: Equinox Open Library Initiative is pleased to announce completion of the latest update to the Curbside Pickup plugin for libraries using Koha ILS. This improvement will allow Koha libraries to immediately make use of the plugin without having to pay for additional development services or wait for a technical change to the core Koha ILS.

The specifications and workflow for the new Koha plugin were designed by Equinox staff this past July based off of the Curbside Pickup functionality developed by Equinox for the Evergreen ILS in June. The Koha Curbside Pickup plugin provides new staff management tools for coordinating curbside pickup services and expediting communications using the ILS. These staff management tools include setting pickup intervals, setting the number of pickup slots allowed per interval, and whether patrons may directly schedule their own appointments. The development work completed by Equinox this week removes a technical barrier in the Koha system, allowing libraries to quickly deploy the new plugin without added cost.

"The beauty of community-based open source projects is that no organization is truly alone when taking a new feature over the finish line," said Galen Charlton, Implementation Manager at Equinox and a Koha developer. "We are happy that we could assist ther Koha community by making this important functionality widely available."

Equinox has supported Koha ILS and partnered with the Koha community since 2009. Equinox is proud to serve Koha customers across North America with experienced support and migration teams as well as flexible, state-of-the-art hosting.

Equinox's most recent Koha migrations include the Equinox Open Source Grant recipients [Spark Central](#) and [Biblioteca Nacional de Puerto Rico](#). To learn more about these and the other Koha libraries supported by Equinox, please visit https://www.equinoxinitiative.org/highlights.

About Equinox Open Library Initiative
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About Koha
Created in 1999 by Katipo Communications for the Horowhenua Library Trust in New Zealand, Koha is the first open source Integrated Library System to be used worldwide. The software is a full-featured ILS with a dual-database design (search engine and RDBMS) built to be compliant with library standards. Koha's OPAC, staff, and self-checkout interfaces are all web applications. Distributed under the General Public License (GPL), libraries are free to use and install Koha themselves or to purchase support and development services. For more information on Koha, please visit http://koha-community.org.

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