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## **Equinox migrates Clinton County Libraries to Evergreen with the PaILS/SPARK Consortium**

**Duluth, Ga., March 4, 2021:** Equinox is pleased to welcome Clinton County Libraries to Evergreen with their successful migrations to the Pennsylvania Integrated Library System (PaILS) SPARK Consortium.

The migration included a total of 70,682 bibliographic records and will support 8,557 patrons. Services provided to the Clinton County Libraries by Equinox included project management and Evergreen software configuration. Data extraction and bibliographic deduplication were completed as part of their migration encompassing item, patron, and transaction records. Hosting and support was included with their addition to the PaILS/SPARK consortium as well as virtual training by Equinox.

"We're looking forward to growing with this new system," said Tammy Garrison, Executive Director of Clinton County Libraries. "All of the new features will not only let us help patrons, but will allow the patrons to take an active part in material and account management."

PaILS was founded in June 2011 as a non-profit organization to provide an open source integrated library system. It oversees SPARK, a consortium of Evergreen libraries across Pennsylvania. Equinox and PaILS have been collaborating on the SPARK consortium since 2013.

"The successful migration of the Clinton County Libraries to PaILS/SPARK with Evergreen was conducted during the fall and winter months of 2020 and early 2021 while the libraries operated under shifting pandemic and weather restrictions," said Jennifer Weston, Implementation Project Manager at Equinox. "Patrons are now able to access their library accounts remotely and they will be able to place holds online with the added benefit of being notified via text or email when materials are ready for pickup thanks to Evergreen's curbside feature. It has been a real privilege

and delight to work with the Clinton County Libraries to provide new opportunities for their library community.”

### **About Equinox Open Library Initiative**

Equinox Open Library Initiative Inc. is a nonprofit company engaging in literary, charitable, and educational endeavors serving cultural and knowledge institutions. As the successor to Equinox Software, Inc., the Initiative carries forward a decade of service and experience with Evergreen and other open source library software. At Equinox OLI we help you empower your library with open source technologies. To learn more, please visit <https://www.equinoxinitiative.org/>.

### **About Evergreen**

Evergreen is an award-winning ILS developed to provide an open source product able to meet the diverse needs of consortia and high transaction public libraries. However, it has proven to be equally successful in smaller installations including special and academic libraries. Today, over 1500 libraries around the world are using Evergreen including NC Cardinal, SCLENDS, and B.C. Sitka. For more information about Evergreen, including a list of all known Evergreen installations, see <http://evergreen-ils.org>.

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