




A portrait of Jessica Hill, a woman with blonde hair, wearing a red cardigan over a black top. The name "Jessica Hill" is written vertically to the left of her portrait.

Jessica Hill

A decorative floral graphic in the top left corner featuring pink and yellow flowers on a brown branch with green leaves.

At DPL Social Workers are Providing Comfort and Changing Lives

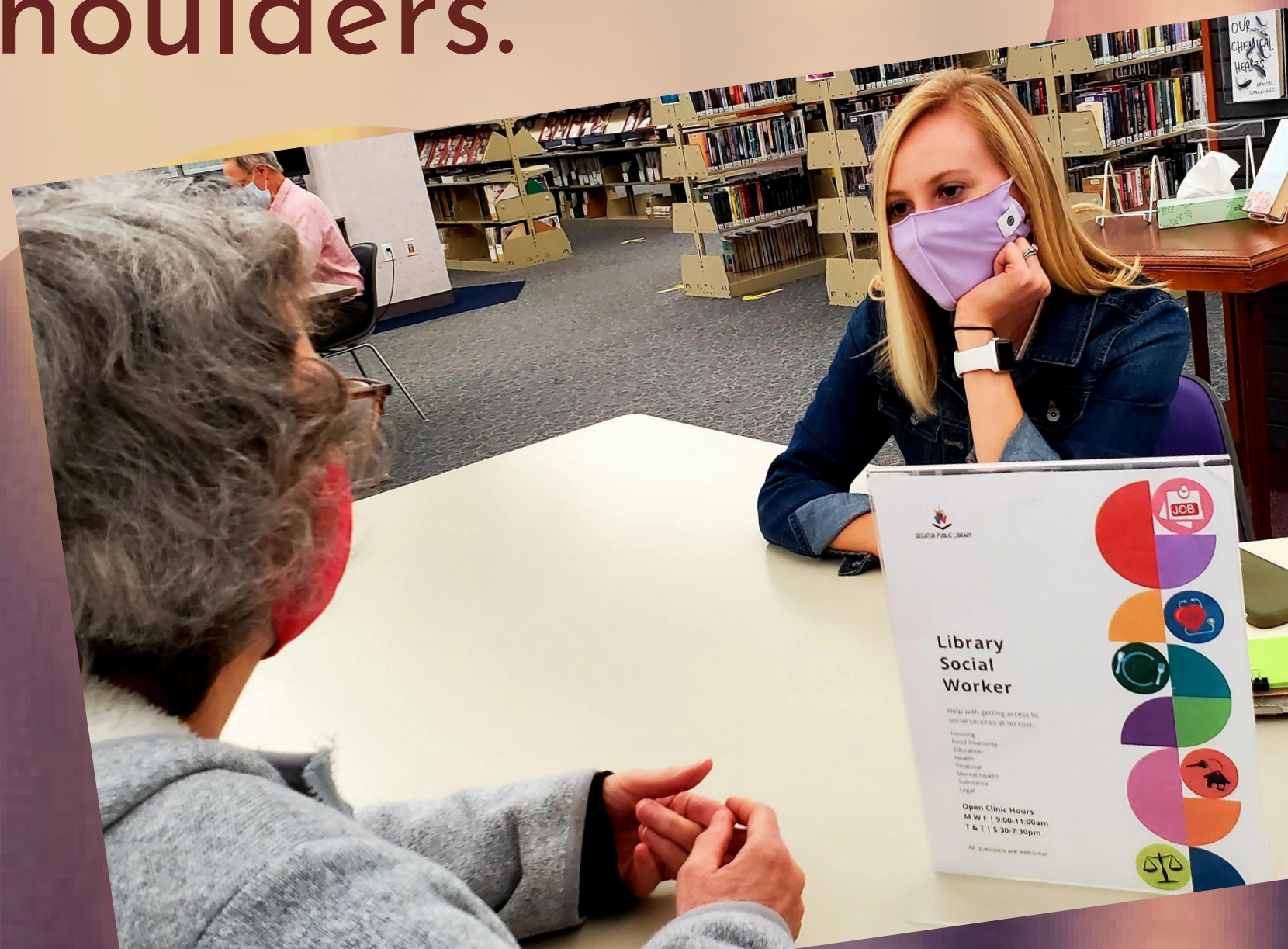
A decorative floral graphic in the bottom right corner featuring pink and yellow flowers on a brown branch with green leaves.A portrait of Mary Garrison, a woman with short brown hair and glasses, wearing a black blazer over a patterned top. The name "Mary Garrison" is written vertically to the right of her portrait.

Mary Garrison



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Everyone sometimes feels stressed, overwhelmed or just lonely. That feeling is especially hard for the disadvantage in our community. Decatur Public Library now offers a social worker program. We provide vital information for the most vulnerable in our community, who may suffer from economic hardship, or just want a friendly ear to listen to them. We are here to alleviate some of the burden and uncertainty off their shoulders.



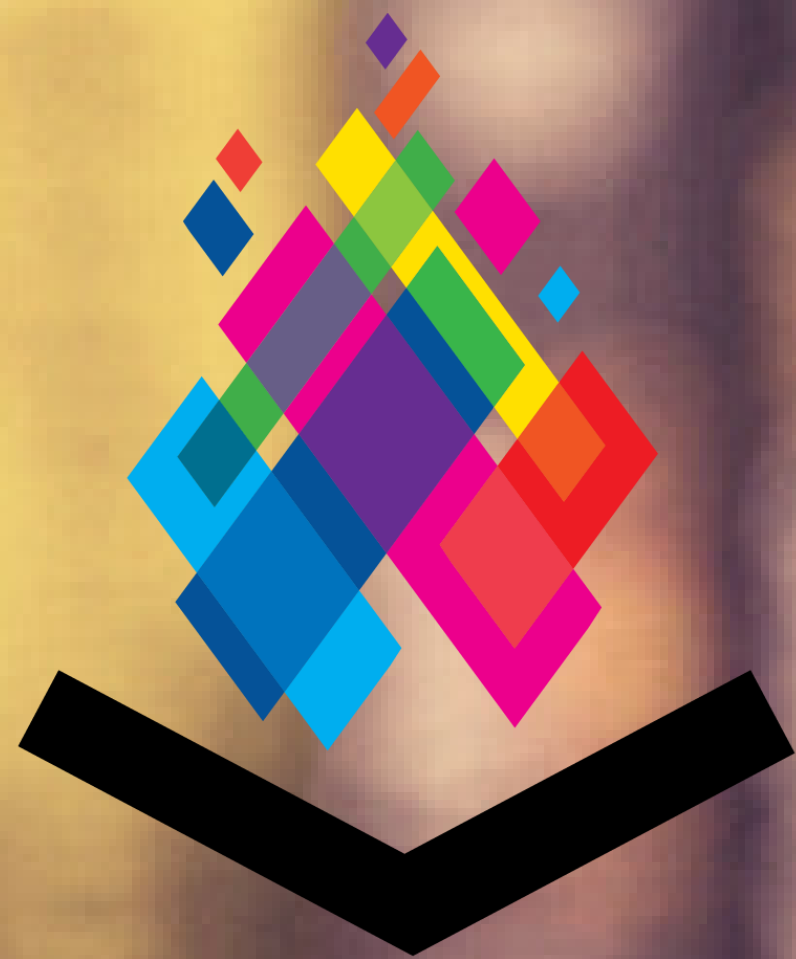


*Benefits of
having a
Social Worker
at the Library*

**Social Workers
provide essential
training for
library staff.**

**The Library is
seen as a safe
space free from
judgement.**

**Social Worker time is free
at the library, which makes
the program more appealing
to low income/homeless
patrons.**



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