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**LA COUNTY LIBRARY CLOSES ALL LOCATIONS DUE TO CORONAVIRUS THROUGH
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**As a precaution to help limit the spread of coronavirus (COVID-19), all 86 library
locations will be closed March 15 - March 31, 2020.**

LOS ANGELES COUNTY (March 14, 2020) – LA County Library will close all 86 locations as of March 15 through March 31, 2020. The decision to close libraries was made following guidance from State and local health officials to limit the spread of coronavirus (COVID-19) and encourage social distancing.

“After careful consideration, and discussions with local health authorities, we have decided to close our libraries in an abundance of caution and to help prevent and limit the spread of COVID-19.” said Library Director Skye Patrick. “We understand the impact this can potentially cause on customers and will continue to monitor the situation closely to provide updates.”

The health and safety of staff and customers are of utmost importance and the Library will continue to work with the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health to provide updates on credible information and guidance during this time.

To provide for some continuity of service offerings, customers can contact their local LA County Library with questions about resources and services. Visit LACountyLibrary.org/library-locator to find a local library with contact information. We will continue to staff our telephone lines for Reference Services, Monday – Friday, 9 am – 6 pm. Teachers, parents, and caregivers can contact Library staff for resources and engagement tips for children while they are home from school.

The library locations listed below will keep the lobby open for customers to pick up holds beginning Tuesday, March 17 at 9 am.

A C Bilbrew	East Los Angeles	Malibu
Acton Agua Dulce	El Monte	Montebello
Alondra	Hacienda Heights	Norwood

Angelo M Iacoboni	Huntington Park	Paramount
Anthony Quinn	La Canada Flintridge	Pico Rivera
Artesia	La Crescenta	Quartz Hill
Castaic	La Mirada	Rosemead
City Terrace	La Puente	Rowland Heights
Claremont	La Verne	San Gabriel
Clifton M Brakensiek	Lawndale	South Whittier
Compton	Leland R Weaver	Stevenson Ranch
Culver City Julian Dixon	Los Nietos	Walnut
Diamond Bar	Lynwood	West Covina

We plan to identify more locations in the near future and will notify our customers.

Due dates for borrowed materials will automatically be extended, no late fines will be assessed, and customers can return materials when the Library reopens. Customers are encouraged to utilize the digital resources available 24/7 including access to ebooks, audiobooks, movies and TV, digital magazines, music and more.

Visit PublicHealth.LACounty.gov for more background information, symptoms, and resources.

Visit LACountyLibrary.org for more information and updates on Library services.

About LA County Library

Founded in 1912, LA County Library is one of the largest and most innovative library systems in the US. It offers free public resources including books, music, multimedia materials, computer and internet access, and educational and recreational services to 3.4 million residents through its 86 libraries and mobile fleet of 12 vehicles, including 3 Bookmobiles, 6 MāK Mō maker mobiles, and 3 Reading Machines. LA County Library is dedicated to reducing barriers and increasing access to and equity of public services for all. To learn more, visit LACountyLibrary.org and follow @LACountyLibrary on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.

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