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LA County Library Reopening Additional Libraries for Select In-Person Service

30 Additional Libraries will Reopen for In-Person Service on May 10.

LA County Library is pleased to announce it will reopen an additional 30 of its 85 libraries for select in-person service beginning May 10, as Los Angeles County nears the yellow tier of the State's <u>Blueprint for a Safer Economy</u>. The scheduled reopening will raise the total number of reopened libraries to 60 across LA County.

LA County Library will safely reopen its libraries at 75% capacity, while also maintaining 6-feet of physical distance for customers. In preparation for reopening additional doors to the public, LA County Library is working diligently to ensure safety protocols are met and appropriate preventative measures are in place.

The additional libraries that are scheduled to reopen are part of a phased reopening plan that prioritizes library openings based on geographic location, building availability, and the ability to accommodate physical distance guidelines and Public Health protocols. The Library has placed an emphasis on equity with special consideration for reopening libraries in underserved areas where residents prioritize in-person services.

The additional libraries that are scheduled to reopen starting May 10 include:

A C Bilbrew Library	Gardena Mayme Dear Library	Norwalk Library
Acton Agua Dulce Library	Hacienda Heights Library	Paramount Library
Agoura Hills Library	Hermosa Beach Library	Pico Rivera Library
Artesia Library	La Canada Flintridge Library	San Gabriel Library
Baldwin Park Library	La Mirada Library	Sorensen Library
Castaic Library	La Puente Library	Sunkist Library
City Terrace Library	La Verne Library	Topanga Library
Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Library	Live Oak Library	Walnut Library
East Rancho Dominguez Library	Lloyd Taber - Marina Del Rey Library	Willowbrook Library
El Camino Real Library	Lynwood Library	Wiseburn Library

Additional libraries across the county will be added to the Library's reopening plan. To view the current list of reopened libraries, please visit the <u>Library Reopening</u> web page. Outdoor programming for a limited number of participants will begin in early summer 2021 and will be available at select libraries. A schedule of upcoming events will be added to the library's

website and will be disseminated to Library newsletter subscribers. County residents are encouraged to visit <u>LACountyLibrary.org</u> for details regarding library hours, services, additional openings, safety protocols and scheduled events and programs.

Sidewalk Service and Bookdrops will remain available at participating libraries. LA County Library continues to offer enhanced digital offerings at LACountyLibrary.org, including a temporary digital library card to access eBooks, audiobooks, magazines, movies, online classes, and more. Library program videos are also available on LA County Library's YouTube channel.

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 across 3,000 square miles through its 86 community libraries and mobile fleet of 14 vehicles, including 3 Bookmobiles, 6 MākMō (maker mobiles), and 5 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, Instagram, and YouTube.

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