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**LA County Library to Showcase Newly Refurbished Masao W. Satow Library  
at Open House on July 29**

To celebrate the reopening and refurbishment of Masao W. Satow Library, LA County Library and Supervisor Holly J. Mitchell will host an Open House on July 29, 11 am - 1 pm.

The Open House will feature an outdoor activity for children and teens, a walkthrough of the library's newly refurbished space, and special messages from Supervisor Mitchell and LA County Library Director Skye Patrick.

Masao W. Satow Library's refurbishment was made possible by the generous support of the 2nd Supervisorial District Capital Fund. The \$1.8 million plus refurbishment project started on September 23, 2019 and was completed on June 6, 2021. The Masao W. Satow Library reopened its doors on June 8, 2021 for select in-person services as part of the Library's phased reopening, which followed the [State's Blueprint for a Safer Economy](#).

Choi Associates Architects served as the project architect, Angeles Contractor, Inc. served as the project's contractor, and construction management services were provided by Los Angeles County Internal Services Department. LA County Library staff also played a significant role in the refurbishment and reopening of the Library.

Exciting upgrades at Masao W. Satow Library include:

- New furniture
- Increased seating capacity for 67 (46 reader seats and 21 lounge seats)
- Decorative ceiling installation consisting of folding gypsum panels and 11 hanging LED beams
- New Service Desk
- Group study room with audio-visual capabilities and whiteboard
- Dedicated teen area
- Early Learning & Engagement Center
- 14 Adult computers, 5 teen computers, 3 Homework Center computers, and 2 early learning computers
- New Laptop vending machine with 12 laptops for in-library public use
- Two self-checkout machines
- Digital display screen
- Energy-efficient LED lighting
- New insulation and roof with "cool roof" coating
- New HVAC unit
- Water-efficient features
- New drought-tolerant landscaping
- ADA-compliant automatic entry doors

- New security fencing and automatic gate surrounding property
- New exterior book drop
- New exterior paint
- Slurry sealing and re-stripped parking lot

Masao W. Satow Library is one of several LA County Library locations [currently open for select in-person services](#). LA County Library has safely reopened its libraries at 75% capacity, while also maintaining 6-foot of physical distance for customers. County residents are encouraged to visit [LACountyLibrary.org](http://LACountyLibrary.org) for details regarding additional library openings, library hours, services, safety protocols, and scheduled events and programs.

### **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 85 community libraries, 1 institutional library, and mobile fleet of 14 vehicles, including 3 Bookmobiles, 6 MāKō (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](http://LACountyLibrary.org) and follow @LACountyLibrary on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#), and [YouTube](#).

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