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## LA County Library to Showcase Newly Refurbished Live Oak Library at Open House on August 4

To celebrate the reopening and refurbishment of Live Oak Library, LA County Library and Supervisor Kathryn Barger will host an Open House on August 4, 11 am to 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 Kathryn Barger, LA County Library Director Skye Patrick, and representatives from the MAD Town Council, Friends of the Live Oak Library, City of Arcadia and the local community.

Live Oak Library's refurbishment was made possible by the support of Supervisor Kathryn Barger of the Fifth District and LA County Library. The \$7.3 million refurbishment project started on May 20, 2019 and was completed in on September 1, 2020.

LCDG Architects served as the project's architect, Monet Construction served as the project's contractor, and construction management services were provided by Los Angeles County Public Works. LA County Library staff also played a significant role in the refurbishment and reopening of Live Oak Library.

Live Oak Library reopened its doors on May 10 for select in-person services as part of the Library's phased reopening, which followed the [State's Blueprint for a Safer Economy](#).

Upon visiting Live Oak Library, customers can expect to see exciting new features, including:

- **New features**
  - Community meeting room with kitchenette and state of the art audiovisual system
  - One round group study room
  - 38 reader seats and 10 lounge seats
  - Dedicated early learning and engagement space
- **New technology:**
  - 4 Adult desktop computers, 5 Teen laptop counters, 4 Children's desktop computers, 2 early learning desktop computers and 2 iPad OPAC for public use
  - 12 laptops for internal, public use
  - New Laptop vending machine with 12 laptops for in-library public use
  - Two freestanding self-checkout machines
  - Two digital information boards
  - Electrified tables with USB charging
- **Efficiency and compliancy improvements:**
  - Energy-efficient air conditioning and heating
  - Drought-tolerant landscaping
  - Water efficient fixtures
  - Large skylights for natural daylighting
  - Lighting control system

Live Oak 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-feet of physical distance for customers. County residents are encouraged to visit [LACountyLibrary.org](https://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 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](http://LACountyLibrary.org) and follow @LACountyLibrary on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#), and [YouTube](#).

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