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Victor Valley Museum reopens under County banner

The County of San Bernardino invites you to “Discover Your Own Backyard” on Saturday when the Victor Valley Museum reopens as a branch of the San Bernardino County Museum.

“Visitors will enjoy learning about the archaeology and anthropology, history, geology and paleontology, and biological sciences of the high desert,” said First District Supervisor and Board of Supervisors Vice-Chairman Brad Mitzelfelt.

The museum, located at 11873 Apple Valley Road in Apple Valley, will open to the public at noon on Saturday. Admission will be free on opening day from noon to 4 p.m. After that, the museum will be open Wednesday through Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The Victor Valley Museum, first opened in 1993, was donated to the county in January 2010. With funds provided mostly by Mitzelfelt, the County Museum renovated the facility to align the museum with the County Museum’s important American Association of Museums accreditation standards.

All collections, exhibits and programs were evaluated and refurbished to present the cultural and natural heritage of the High Desert region in a way that supports state educational standards.

The effort to renovate a 14,000 square foot facility was no small assignment. Crews made the museum compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act. New flooring and lighting were installed, and the interior and exterior were repainted. The thousands of collection objects were evaluated, and school programs have been developed.

Information on group tours and about the museum in general can be answered by calling (760) 240-2111.