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Apple Valley Branch Library Grand Reopening on April 28

The San Bernardino County Library invites residents to the widely anticipated Grand Reopening of the Newton T. Bass Apple Valley Branch Library on Saturday, April 28 at 10 a.m.

Join the community and local dignitaries for the opening ceremony and ribbon cutting as the doors to this greatly valued High Desert resource are reopened.

"This will be an outstanding day for Apple Valley," said Board of Supervisors Chairman Robert Lovingood, a resident of Apple Valley. "This is a great town with great people and we are thanking them for their patience and support with a greatly improved library."

Following the ceremony, enjoy a morning of fun and activities for the whole family including a live DJ, face painting, crafts, giveaways and appearances by Captain America and Princess Belle. Then take time to tour the newly renovated library that houses all new public use computers, an automatic book return sorter, new high-efficiently LED lighting, a completely upgraded HVAC system, and more than 25,000 new books and materials.

This reopening comes after the completion of an extensive retrofit of the previously compromised roof truss system, which forced the library to close in mid-2015 and relocate to a temporary location while work was conducted. Over the course of the closed period the County worked diligently on a solution that ultimately required the complete removal, redesign and replacement of the roof truss system. The County is excited to see this project come to completion and looks forward to continuing to serve the community.

This event is another opportunity to celebrate and support the Countywide Vision's literacy campaign, <u>Vision2Read</u>. Visitors should bring their library card as every 15 items checked out during the event earns visitors an awesome inflatable hammer and an opportunity drawing ticket for a chance to win fantastic incentives! All activities are free and open to all ages.

The Newton T. Bass Apple Valley Branch Library is at 14901 Dale Evans Parkway.

The San Bernardino County Library System is a dynamic network of 32 branch libraries that serves a diverse population over a vast geographic area. The County library system strives to provide equal access to information, technology, programs, and services for all people who call San Bernardino County home.

The library plays a key role in the achievement of the <u>Countywide Vision</u> by contributing to educational, cultural, and historical development of our County community.

For more information on the San Bernardino County library system, please visit http://www.sbclib.org/ or call (909) 387-2220.			