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## EL MIRAGE SATELLITE STATION GRAND OPENING

Join us for the grand opening of the El Mirage Satellite Station:

## Monday, June 13, 10:00 a.m. County Fire Station # 11 2929 El Mirage Road, El Mirage

The San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department is partnering with the San Bernardino County Fire Department to provide a Sheriff's Satellite Station in the community of El Mirage at the El Mirage Fire Station.

The Satellite Station will benefit the community and serve many purposes. The facility will provide deputies a location to complete reports, conduct interviews and allows for access to computers; in turn providing more law enforcement presence in the community. In addition, the station will be staffed Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., with Citizen Volunteers who will be available to answer questions. Citizen Volunteers will also be available for extra patrol in the El Mirage area and conduct vacation checks, and will play an active role in community events.

Citizen Volunteers are not only the eyes and ears for law enforcement; they play a valuable role in the fire service. Quick and accurate reporting of a fire or suspicious activity can mean the difference between life and death, as well as the loss of property.

The San Bernardino County Fire Department are also providing a work space at County Fire Station # 14 in Wrightwood for deputies to conduct interviews and write reports. This facility will not be open to the public, but will allow deputies to conduct police business without having to return to the Phelan Station.

This is another example of public safety agencies working together to benefit the community and the citizens we serve.

The Victor Valley Sheriff's Station can be reached at (760) 552-6800. San Bernardino County Sheriff's Dispatch can be reached at (760) 245-4211.

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