



# Riverside County Library System

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## **GRAND RE-OPENING OF THE GLEN AVON LIBRARY**

**JURUPA VALLEY, CA** (August 24, 2021) – The Riverside County Library System (RCLS) is excited to announce that after its closure in March of 2020, the Glen Avon Library will be opening its doors again with a Grand Re-Opening ceremony located at 9244 Galena Road in Jurupa Valley. The public is invited to attend the ceremony on Wednesday, August 25<sup>th</sup> at 4:00PM.

“The Riverside County Library System is healthy and strong, serving our communities and residents well. I am so excited that the Glen Avon branch is back in business,” said Karen Spiegel, Chairwoman and Riverside County 2<sup>nd</sup> District Supervisor.

The Glen Avon Library has been open to the public since 1995, serving the City of Jurupa Valley and it’s communities of Glen Avon and Pedley. RCLS took advantage of the library closure during the pandemic to renovate the interior and exterior of the library into a 20,000 square foot, modern, state-of-the-art library that includes amenities that are in high demand for the community. These amenities include private and semi-private study spaces, new furniture with plug in technology, public computers, teen library space, and an interactive children’s library space. In addition to the updates of the existing spaces, a Learning Lounge and Parent Resource Center have been added that offer resources to assist and focus on workforce and career development, immigration and citizenship, English as a Second Language, early literacy, health, nutrition, school readiness, early childhood milestones, college readiness, and so much more. The new library includes over 30,000 materials in the collection.

The Grand Re-opening event is open to the public and with tours of the library to follow. The ceremony will include remarks by the Riverside County 2<sup>nd</sup> District Supervisor, Karen Spiegel, the City of Jurupa Valley Mayor, Lorena Barajas, the Director of Riverside County Office of Economic Development, Suzanne Holland, and the Riverside County Library System County Librarian, Barbara Howison. Due to updated California Department of Public Health guidelines regarding face coverings, masks are recommended to be worn indoors regardless of vaccination status and will be available to patrons, if requested.

### **Grand Opening Celebration Schedule:**

4:00 PM:	Re-Opening Ceremony and Ribbon Cutting
4:30 PM:	Library is officially open to the public
4:30 PM – 6:00 PM:	Virtual Reality Experience – Learning Lounge STEAM Activities – Community Room
4:30 PM – 5:00 PM:	Storytime – Storytime Corner
5:15 PM – 5:45 PM:	Bilingual Preschool Storytime – Storytime Corner



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Library cards will be issued between opening and 8:00 PM

“Since the opening of the Glen Avon Library in 1995, the Library has been very active in programs of civic engagement, partnering with the school district to enhance student programs, and offering literacy classes, serving their growing community,” said County Librarian, Barbara Howison. “Plans are underway to expand these efforts and we will learn about them during the grand re-opening ceremony!”

### **Glen Avon Library Operating Hours:**

Monday – 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Tuesday – 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Wednesday – 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Thursday – 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Friday – 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Saturday – 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Sunday – Closed

The Riverside County Library System is a division of Riverside County Office of Economic Development. For more information, please contact the Riverside County Library System at (951) 369-3003 or visit [www.rivlib.net](http://www.rivlib.net).

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