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PUENTE VALLEY RESIDENTS GATHER TO CELEBRATE THE GRAND RE-OPENING OF PACIFIC PLACE PLAZA

Commercial Façade Improvements Made Possible Through the County's RENOVATE Program



La Puente, CA, June 2, 2018 - Officials from the Community Development Commission/Housing Authority of the County of Los Angeles (CDC/HACoLA) joined First District Supervisor Hilda L. Solis and community residents at the Inaugural Community Celebration and grand re-opening of Pacific Place

Plaza (Plaza). Over 100 guests enjoyed entertainment and food, visited local businesses, and learned about resources offered by various County departments and community-based organizations. Additionally, community members took the opportunity to celebrate the completion of the Plaza's façade improvements that have rejuvenated the corridor.

Once a valued community resource, the Plaza was in need of modernization to continue to attract shoppers. Further, in 2016 a few of the businesses onsite had been damaged in a fire and were unable to fully recover. Through the County's RENOVATE



Program, the CDC/HACoLA was able to make significant façade improvements to the Plaza's commercial buildings.



“As we celebrate this façade improvement project, we know that this means much more to the Puente Valley than a simple renovation,” said Los Angeles County Supervisor Hilda L. Solis. “This is about building a successful community and empowering local businesses so they can grow and flourish. I know that

when we build, invest, and leverage our resources, communities thrive. With the County’s road and traffic enhancements, upgraded public safety services, and renovation projects like today, I am excited for our Puente Valley communities.”

The CDC/HACoLA provided \$235,000 in RENOVATE funding for façade improvements, such as storefront doors, painting, awning and canopy installation, signage, and stucco repair.

Monique King-Viehland, CDC/HACoLA Executive Director said, “The RENOVATE Program helps propel businesses to become inviting places to shop. We are proud to be a part of this tremendous project in such a deserving community.”

The RENOVATE Program provides grants and technical services to assist with façade improvements for businesses along commercial corridors in unincorporated communities. The Program improves the appearance of stand-alone buildings and entire commercial centers, which



create a sense of place. The RENOVATE Program provides grants that cover all costs associated with the project’s environmental, design, and construction services.

For additional information on the RENOVATE Program, please call (626) 262-4512. All media may contact Elisa Vásquez, CDC/HACoLA Public Information Officer, at (626) 586-1762.

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