NEW LOS NIETOS LIBRARY OPEN FOR BUSINESS

County Manages the Development of $8.5 Million Facility

Unincorporated Whittier, November 18, 2017 - The Community Development Commission of the County of Los Angeles (CDC) joined Los Angeles County Supervisor Janice Hahn, Los Angeles County Public Library, and Los Nietos School District officials to celebrate the grand opening of the new 7,000 square-foot Los Nietos Library. The County of Los Angeles, Public Library, and School District entered into a joint land use agreement leasing a portion of the Los Nietos Middle School field to allow the project to be constructed. This unique project will provide new and expanded library resources to the community.

The CDC managed the development of the $8.5 million project, funded by the Fourth Supervisorial District. Working closely with the Public Library, the
CDC retained an architectural firm to design the building and award the construction contract to complete the project. The new single-story building includes child, teen, and adult spaces. The exterior amenities include a semi-covered entry, parking for 28 vehicles, bike parking, and landscaping.

Monique King-Viehland, Acting Executive Director said, “The Los Nietos Library plays a vital role in the lives of those who live and work in the community. People of all ages visit the library for recreation and meeting space as much as they do for access to resources. I am sure this library will be a community staple for many generations.”

Although not required to be a Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) certified building, the library has considered energy conservation and sustainability through the careful design and selection of construction materials. In addition, new energy efficient HVAC equipment was incorporated into the plans to optimize performance and energy savings. The new lighting also contains occupancy sensors to turn off when rooms are not being used, resulting in energy savings.

The Los Nietos Library is located at 8511 Duchess Drive, in Whittier. For more information on library services, please call (562) 695-3979. All media may contact Elisa Vasquez, CDC Public Information Officer, at (626) 586-1762.

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