COUNTY CELEBRATES THE GRAND OPENING OF SAN ANGELO PARK COMMUNITY CENTER

La Puente, April 25, 2015 - Los Angeles County Supervisor Hilda L. Solis, the Community Development Commission of the County of Los Angeles (CDC), and the Department of Parks and Recreation joined the La Puente community to unveil the newly built San Angelo Park Community Center. The CDC oversaw the construction of the Community Center which was funded by the County’s First Supervisorial District.

With input from local residents, the $4 million, 3,300 square-foot Community Center was designed to house a multi-purpose space to meet the needs of programming and services currently offered at San Angelo Park, such as a tiny tot program for children ages 2 to 5, after school club, ballet and dance classes, as well as cheerleading. The large multi-purpose room can also accommodate seating for up to 130 people. The center includes
new exterior courtyard areas, landscaping, hardscape patio areas, and street improvements.

San Angelo also incorporated a large-scale exterior wall art piece comprised of steel and paint and executed in multiple colors for the park’s multi-purpose center. The artwork recalls the flora of the area, as well as wrought iron elements found in traditional Mexican casitas’ architectural design.

Many sustainable technologies, such as a reduction in the amount of concrete through the use of fly ash in the concrete mix and concrete pavers with recycled glass, a cool roof system with energy star rating, and energy saving lighting control systems make the new center an environmentally responsible addition to the community. Natural light, clerestory windows, and solar tubes, allow the Community Center to be airy and well illuminated. A smart irrigation controller with weather sensor, and drought-tolerant plants like Mexican bush sage, Anchor Bay California Lilac, and Sunburst spreading Lantana will help control water usage as the State continues to suffer from an ongoing drought.

Sean Rogan, CDC Executive Director said, “Local residents need safe places where their children can learn to love the arts, play sports, and families can engage one another. I am thrilled to celebrate the grand opening of the San Angelo Park Community Center that will house these services and so many more for years to come.”

The Community Center will be operated by the Department of Parks and Recreation. For more information, please call (626) 968-2666. All media inquiries can be directed to Elisa Vásquez, Public Information Officer, at (626) 586-1762.

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