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### AVALON LIBRARY REAFFIRMING ITS PRESENCE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY

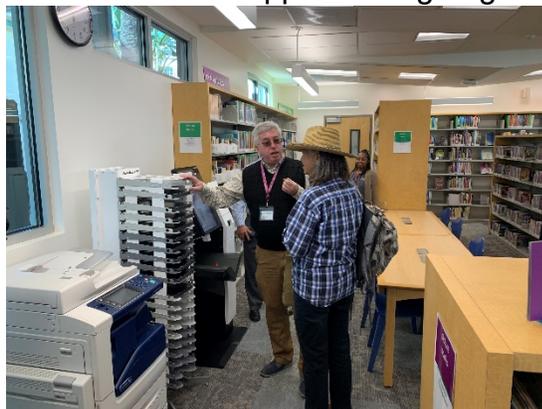
#### Avalon Library Opens Its Doors at the Completion of Remodeling

Avalon, November 5, 2019 – Yesterday, the Los Angeles County Development Authority (LACDA) joined Supervisor Janice Hahn, Chair of the Board, at the unveiling of the remodeled Avalon Library.

The newly 1,256 sq. ft library will be a significant resource to the Avalon community by offering services for visitors of all ages. The library will include adult, teen, and children reading areas, programming space, express movie checkout machines, public access computers, Wi-Fi, staff areas, and public restrooms. To further accommodate community members, various online services will be available including homework assistance, tools for job seekers, business resources, and opportunities.



The LACDA managed the \$1.4 million-dollar refurbished project funded by the Fourth District to implement the structural needs for staff and visitors. The remodeling of the library's interior includes staff restrooms, which comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act standards, installation of the windows to provide more natural light, and removal of the dropped ceiling to gain interior volume and entrance to the space. Doors,



millwork, flooring, shelving, lighting, furniture, and electrical fixtures were replaced to modernize the existing library. Through the careful design and selection of construction materials, the library was built with energy efficient features. New independent area specific heating and cooling units, and thermostatic control will allow control for heating and cooling needs based on area and occupant needs. Exterior improvements include a courtyard, trellis, greenscape, and seating.

Emilio Salas, LACDA Executive Deputy Director, said “We are excited to unveil the Avalon Library with our partners, and even more excited to see local community members benefitting from the facility. It was an honor for the LACDA to be a part of the process in this establishment.”

The library interior refurbishment and courtyard improvements are made possible by Supervisor Janice Hahn, Chair of the Board; LACDA; the design team of Martinez Architects; and Cybertech Construction Company, Inc. Construction was completed in October 2019.

Avalon Library is located at 215 Sumner Avenue in the City of Avalon on Santa Catalina Island. For more information on library services, please call Los Angeles County Library at (310) 510-1050. All media may contact Elisa Vázquez, LACDA Public Information Officer, at (626) 586-1762.

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