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### **Riverbank Library to close for construction beginning April 13**

*Facility improvements reinforce the Library's commitment to role as a vital community hub*

On Tuesday morning, April 1, the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors approved the temporary closure of the Riverbank Library at 3442 Santa Fe St. The library, built in 1977, is in need of critical infrastructure improvements that will close the library for an estimated five months. The project was made possible thanks to Building Community Services Investments funds allocated by the County Board of Supervisors and will address several Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) deficiencies, water intrusion issues, and asbestos abatement in existing floor tiles.

The closure will begin on April 13, with a targeted reopening in September 2025. Library staff has worked with the City of Riverbank to identify a temporary site to provide library services and are finalizing a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for the use of space at the nearby Teen Center at 3600 Santa Fe St. Hours of operation for this pop-up location will be shared to the Library's website once the MOU is finalized.

"As an essential community hub, our library should be a welcoming and accessible space for everyone," said County Librarian Sarah Dentan. "In addition to improving access, these infrastructure improvements will enhance the safety and longevity of our library. This project is a critical investment in maintaining a safe and functional library for our community, and we are grateful to the County Board of Supervisors for investing in our community libraries."

During the closure, the exterior book drop will remain accessible for the return of library materials. Community members are encouraged to check out library programs and services at neighboring Stanislaus County Library locations, such as the Oakdale Library at 151 S. First Ave. For a complete list of Stanislaus County Library locations and hours, visit [www.stanlibrary.org](http://www.stanlibrary.org).

#### **About the Stanislaus County Library**

The Stanislaus County Library builds community by creating opportunities and providing resources for connection, learning, exploration and innovation. With 13 locations throughout the county, the Library offers a diverse collection of free materials, computer access and Wi-Fi, Story Times, programming for all ages, and more. To learn more about the Library's wide array of programs and services, visit [www.stanislauslibrary.org](http://www.stanislauslibrary.org).

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