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A HEROES' WELCOME

A Squad of Superheroes Helps Glendale Open New Library

GLENDALE, Ariz. – After much excitement and anticipation, the Heroes Regional Park Library, Glendale's most western branch, is opening May 18. There is no better way to celebrate this monumental event than with a super-hero studded party. It is named "Heroes" because the community voted for that name to honor all the heroes in our community and the new space will feature displays recognizing heroes. West Valley residents of all ages are invited to join in the fun with their favorite comic and movie heroes, along with real-life heroes including teachers and first responders.

After the opening remarks by Mayor Jerry Weirs, Vice-Mayor Joyce Clark, State Librarian of Arizona Holley Henley and Stephanie Small, Glendale's Community Services Director, residents can tour the new library, then stay to enjoy some super activities in and outside the library. Vice-Mayor Clark has been a long-time hero and champion of this new library and says "With the completion of this newest amenity in Heroes Regional Park the city has begun to fulfil its long-awaited promise to complete the development of Heroes Park, benefitting all of Glendale's residents. I encourage everyone to join in this joyful celebration of Glendale's newest quality-of-life amenity."



- Cosplayers from the Arizona Avengers and Justice League of Arizona will be available for photos.
- There will be a selfie station, face painting and a balloon artist.
- Kids can enjoy a scavenger hunt with prizes.
- Adult patrons can explore volunteer opportunities, meet the new library staff, learn about the Discovery and Exploration Backpack program and the new 3D printer located at Heroes Regional Park Library.

The library itself is a stunning, state-of-the-art building that has over 7,515 square feet of public space with individual outdoor patio and programming space for youth, teens and adults. The environmentally friendly building also features rainwater management and water harvesting features. The opening day collection features materials with an early literacy focus, multimedia and bilingual materials, with room to expand to 25,000 volumes. The building features digital climate control, LED lighting and timer switches, and a community programming room which can be divided into smaller spaces. The library also features a study room, youth story nook, a family restroom and much more!



The newest library of the Glendale Public Library System will also serve as home to public art from the nationally celebrated artist Pete Goldlust. Mr. Goldlust’s work is part of the City of Glendale’s commitment to provide public art in all library spaces systemwide. There are three pieces at Heroes Park Regional Library named “Neighborhood Roots: From Sugar Beets to Cotton and Beyond.” The works reflect the rich and compelling heritage of the Yucca District. The artwork is reflected in the terrazzo flooring, sand-blasted etched glass doors and a metal sculpture affixed to the east entryway.

Be a hero and mark your calendar for this historic event. Festivities begin at 9 a.m. on Saturday, May 18 at your new Heroes Regional Park Library, located at 6075 N. 83rd Ave, Glendale AZ, 85303.



Glendale Public Library is the vital link to our rapidly changing world. Our mission is to empower our community by providing free and equitable access to information, technology, cultural, educational and life enhancing materials and services.

The Glendale Public Library is a division of the City of Glendale Community Services Department
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