

19. Approve the closure of two Tulare County Library Branches – Visalia and Three Rivers – to the public on the following Saturdays in 2024: January 13, February 17, May 25, August 31, November 9, and November 30, 2024. Approve the closure of all Tulare County Libraries to the public on the following Friday in 2024 for staff training: December 13, 2024. Approve the closure of the Visalia Branch Library on January 26, 2024 for inhouse staff training.



# Library

## COUNTY OF TULARE

### AGENDA ITEM

#### BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

LARRY MICARI  
District One

PETE VANDER POEL  
District Two

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District Three

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District Four

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District Five

**AGENDA DATE:** December 5, 2023

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| Public Hearing Required            | N/A |
| Scheduled Public Hearing w/Clerk   | N/A |
| Published Notice Required          | N/A |
| Advertised Published Notice        | N/A |
| Meet & Confer Required             | N/A |
| Budget Transfer (Aud 308) attached | N/A |
| Personnel Resolution attached      | N/A |
| Agreement(s) attached              | N/A |

CONTACT PERSON: Darla Wegener PHONE: 559 713-2721

**SUBJECT:** Request Closure of Library Branches

**REQUEST(S):**

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve the closure of two Tulare County Library Branches – Visalia and Three Rivers – to the public on the following Saturdays in 2024: January 13, February 17, May 25, August 31, November 9, and November 30.
2. Approve the closure of all Tulare County Libraries to the public on the following Friday in 2024 for staff training: December 13;
3. Approve the closure of the Visalia Branch Library on January 26 for inhouse staff training;
4. Direct staff to post notices on this closure at the Library Branches, offices, and on the Tulare County Library website.

**SUMMARY:**

The Library Department consists of 17 Branch Libraries, a Literacy Center, and Administration with each operating on a variety of days and times based on local community needs. The Branches' open days range from Tuesday through Saturday and public hours currently range from 10:00 am. to 7pm. with all Libraries closed Sunday and Monday. Library Administration and Literacy is open Monday through Friday and closed Saturday and Sunday with hours ranging from 8:30 am to 7 pm.

The Department requests that Branches with current business hours on Saturdays be closed to the public when the County recognized holiday coincides with a Sunday or Monday. The Library requests that this also applies to the Saturday following the Thanksgiving holiday. At this time, this applies to Visalia and Three Rivers though the department is reviewing schedules and hours.

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**DATE:** December 5, 2023

There is a decrease in Branch usage on Saturdays adjacent to holidays. Typically, the workload is reduced, thus it is more efficient and cost effective to allow staff to take the time off in the affected branches and offices.

The holidays affect the Visalia and Three Rivers Branches on the following Saturdays in 2024: January 13, February 17, May 25, August 31, November 9, and November 30.

The Library also requests to close all locations one Friday in 2024, December 13, for a day-long staff training. In addition, the Library proposes the closure of the Visalia Branch Library on Friday, January 26, 2024 for an inhouse training on Mental Health First Aid.

It is for this reason that the Library Department is requesting to be closed to the public on the days listed above.

**FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:**

No Net County Cost associated with the approval of this request.

**LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF TULARE STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN:**

The County's five-year strategic plan includes Organizational Performance as a way to improve effectiveness. Closing the two Library Branches on these low use days and all Library locations for training opportunities assists with increased operational efficiencies.

**ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:**

**/s/Darla Wegener**

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Darla Wegener  
County Librarian

Cc: County Administrative Office

Attachments: Tulare County Library Branch Hours

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF TULARE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

IN THE MATTER OF Request Closure of  
Library Branches

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) Resolution No. 2023-1103  
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UPON MOTION OF SUPERVISOR MICARI, SECONDED BY  
SUPERVISOR VALERO, THE FOLLOWING WAS ADOPTED BY THE BOARD  
OF SUPERVISORS, AT AN OFFICIAL MEETING HELD DECEMBER 5, 2023, BY  
THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: SUPERVISORS MICARI, VANDER POEL, SHUKLIAN, VALERO AND  
TOWNSEND  
NOES: NONE  
ABSTAIN: NONE  
ABSENT: NONE



ATTEST: JASON T. BRITT  
COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER/  
CLERK, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BY:

  
Deputy Clerk

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2. Approved the closure of all Tulare County Libraries to the public on the following Friday in 2024 for staff training: December 13;
3. Approved the closure of the Visalia Branch Library on January 26 for inhouse staff training;
4. Directed staff to post notices on this closure at the Library Branches, offices, and on the Tulare County Library website.

Tulare County Library Branch Hours

| <b>Library</b>   | <b>Tuesday</b> | <b>Wednesday</b> | <b>Thursday</b> | <b>Friday</b> | <b>Saturday</b> |
|--|----------------|------------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|
| <b><u>VISALIA</u></b><br>200 W Oak Ave<br>Visalia, CA 93291<br>(559) 713-2700            | 10 - 7         | 10 - 7           | 10 - 7          | 10 - 6        | 10 - 4          |
| <b><u>ALPAUGH</u></b><br>3816 Ave 54<br>Alpaugh, CA 93201<br>(559) 949-8355              | 10 - 12, 1 - 6 | 10 - 12, 1 - 6   | CLOSED          | CLOSED        | CLOSED          |
| <b><u>DINUBA*</u></b><br>150 S I St<br>Dinuba, CA 93618<br>(559) 591-5829                | CLOSED         | CLOSED           | CLOSED          | CLOSED        | CLOSED          |
| <b><u>EARLIMART</u></b><br>780 E Washington Ave<br>Earlimart, CA 93219<br>(661) 849-2525 | 10 - 1, 2 - 6  | 10 - 1, 2 - 6    | 10 - 1, 2 - 6   | 10 - 1, 2 - 6 | CLOSED          |
| <b><u>EXETER</u></b><br>230 E Chestnut Ave<br>Exeter, CA 93221<br>(559) 592-5361         | 10 - 1, 2 - 7  | 10 - 1, 2 - 6    | 10 - 1, 2 - 6   | 10 - 1, 2 - 6 | CLOSED          |
| <b><u>FARMERSVILLE</u></b><br>623 N Avery St<br>Farmersville, CA 93223<br>(559) 592-0001 | 10 - 1, 2 - 6  | 10 - 1, 2 - 6    | 10 - 1, 2 - 6   | CLOSED        | CLOSED          |
| <b><u>IVANHOE</u></b><br>15964 Heather Ave<br>Ivanhoe, CA 93235<br>(559) 798-1264        | 10 - 1, 2 - 6  | CLOSED           | 10 - 1, 2 - 6   | 10 - 1, 2 - 6 | CLOSED          |
| <b><u>LINDSAY</u></b><br>157 N Mirage St<br>Lindsay, CA 93247<br>(559) 562-3021          | 10 - 1, 2 - 6  | 10 - 1, 2 - 6    | 10 - 1, 2 - 7   | 10 - 1, 2 - 6 | CLOSED          |
| <b><u>LONDON</u></b><br>5711 Ave 378<br>Dinuba, CA 93618<br>(559) 591-1017               | CLOSED         | 10 - 1, 2 - 6    | 10 - 1, 2 - 6   | 10 - 1, 2 - 6 | CLOSED          |
| <b><u>OROSI</u></b><br>12646 Ave 416<br>Orosi, CA 93647<br>(559) 591-5830                | 10 - 1, 2 - 6  | 10 - 1, 2 - 6    | 10 - 1, 2 - 6   | 10 - 1, 2 - 6 | CLOSED          |
| <b><u>PIXLEY</u></b><br>927 S Center St, B<br>Pixley, CA 93256<br>(559) 757-1010         | 10 - 1, 2 - 6  | 10 - 1, 2 - 7    | 10 - 1, 2 - 6   | 10 - 1, 2 - 6 | CLOSED          |
| <b><u>SPRINGVILLE**</u></b><br>35800 Hwy 190<br>Springville, CA 93265<br>(559) 539-2624  | CLOSED         | CLOSED           | CLOSED          | CLOSED        | CLOSED          |

## Tulare County Library Branch Hours

| <b>Library</b>  | <b>Tuesday</b> | <b>Wednesday</b> | <b>Thursday</b> | <b>Friday</b> | <b>Saturday</b> |
|---|----------------|------------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|
| <b><u>STRATHMORE</u></b><br>19646 Rd 230<br>Strathmore, CA 93267<br>(559) 568-1087        | 10 - 1, 2 - 6  | 10 - 1, 2 - 6    | CLOSED          | CLOSED        | CLOSED          |
| <b><u>TERRA BELLA</u></b><br>23825 Ave 92<br>Terra Bella, CA 93270<br>(559) 535-5583      | 12:30 - 4:30   | 12:30 - 4:30     | 12:30 - 4:30    | CLOSED        | CLOSED          |
| <b><u>THREE RIVERS</u></b><br>42052 Eggers Dr<br>Three Rivers, CA 93271<br>(559) 561-4564 | 10 - 1, 2 - 6  | 10 - 1, 2 - 6    | 10 - 1, 2 - 7   | 10 - 1, 2 - 6 | 10 - 1, 2 - 4   |
| <b><u>TIPTON</u></b><br>301 E Woods Ave<br>Tipton, CA 93272<br>(559) 752-4236             | CLOSED         | CLOSED           | 10 - 1, 2 - 6   | 10 - 1, 2 - 6 | CLOSED          |
| <b><u>WOODLAKE</u></b><br>400 W Whitney Ave<br>Woodlake, CA 93286<br>(559) 564-8424       | 10 - 1, 2 - 6  | 10 - 1, 2 - 6    | 10 - 1, 2 - 6   | 10 - 1, 2 - 6 | CLOSED          |

**\*All Tulare County Library branches are closed Monday and Sunday**

| <b>Location</b>   | <b>Monday</b>                       | <b>Tuesday</b>   | <b>Wednesday</b>                    | <b>Thursday</b>  | <b>Friday</b>       |
|---|-------------------------------------|------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------|---------------------|
| <b><u>Administration</u></b><br>200 W Oak Ave<br>Visalia, CA 93291<br>(559) 713-2720    | 8:30 - 4                            | 8:30 - 4         | 8:30 - 4                            | 8:30 - 4         | 8:30 - 1            |
| <b><u>Literacy Center</u></b><br>417 N Locust St<br>Visalia, CA 93291<br>(559) 713-2745 | Office: 8:30 - 5<br>Tutoring: 9 - 4 | Office: 8:30 - 7 | Office: 8:30 - 7<br>Tutoring: 9 - 4 | Office: 8:30 - 5 | Office: 8:30 - 1:30 |

\*Dinuba temporary located at the Dinuba Transit Center, as Branch is closed for remodeling. Reopening in Spring 2024. Hours to be determined.

\*\*Springville closed. Working on a temporary location until new Branch is completed in 2025.