

## **PRESS RELEASE**

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OC Public Libraries is turning 90<sup>1</sup> On August 1, 1921 County Librarian Margaret Livingston and two assistants began library operations in a downtown Santa Ana office shared with the County Farm Advisor. 90 years later, OC Public Libraries is the third largest library jurisdiction in California, maintaining and operating 34 branch libraries throughout Orange County.

Today OC Public Libraries provides over 2.5 million print, eAudio, eBooks, newspapers, magazines, CDs, DVDs, copies of sheet music and historical images to a service population of 1.2 million people. Branches offer storytimes, book clubs, job information, literacy services, free Wi-Fi, Internet computer workstations and cultural programming for all ages.

Patrons are invited to participate in the 90<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration by donating a new children's or adult book to the library. Donated Birthday Books will feature a specially designed Birthday Bookplate honoring the donor. Please contact your local branch of OC Public Libraries for book suggestions.

Stop by any one of the 34 branches and join us as we celebrate 90 years of serving you. Visit [www.ocpl.org](http://www.ocpl.org) for upcoming special 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebrations and the location of your nearest branch library.