

## Hot days, cool libraries – Cool off at a Ventura County Library



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With the recent heat wave, locals are looking to cool down in comfortable places. Ventura County Library System is happy to provide 10 cooling centers throughout the county. Ventura County Library locations are listed at [www.vencolibrary.org/locations](http://www.vencolibrary.org/locations).

However, the main library in Downtown Ventura, E.P. Foster Library, is not air conditioned. On days when the temperatures inside the Foster Library are excessively hot, the building is closed and staff is relocated locally, extending open hours at two local Ventura branches:

- Avenue Library [www.vencolibrary.org/locations/avenue](http://www.vencolibrary.org/locations/avenue) 606 N. Ventura Avenue, 643-6393
- Saticoy Library [www.vencolibrary.org/locations/Saticoy](http://www.vencolibrary.org/locations/Saticoy) 1292 Los Angeles Avenue, 671-5148

On days where Foster Library had to be closed, community members were delighted to discover nearby local branches with air conditioning. Both Avenue Library and Saticoy Library saw an increase in visitors, meaning more children enjoyed the Early Learning Centers, adults found computer time, and both libraries' Homework Centers were busy every day.

City of Ventura and County of Ventura staff are both researching ways to keep Foster Library cool, with options ranging from tinted windows, to an air conditioning system for the entire building.

The Ventura County Library is available online 24/7 at [www.vencolibrary.org](http://www.vencolibrary.org). This media release is available on the City of Ventura website at [www.cityofventura.net](http://www.cityofventura.net). ###