

## Encinitas Library Newsletter

### Spring 2026

As we move into spring, we're excited to share a few highlights from the past months and updates on what's ahead for our vibrant library community.

Our **library team was recently honored with a Teamwork Award** for our role in the Library Outreach Van Pilot. Staff helped test the vans, connect with residents, and provide input that will guide this new service for the entire county. We're also proud to share that the City of Encinitas has certified our library as a Green Business, recognizing our commitment to sustainability and community well-being.

The **Friends of the Encinitas Library (FOEL) funded new tables and chairs** that will arrive by the end of April, making our main reading room even more welcoming and expand our study spaces to meet community needs.

Our community programs continue to thrive.

- The Middle Grade Book Club** is buzzing with bright young readers, many of whom we hope will grow into future teen volunteers.

- Our **Android for Seniors** classes are quickly gaining popularity, helping patrons feel confident and connected with their devices.

- We acquired a new 3D printer** which will better serve our customers, and which will be incorporated into our current multi-generational 3D Printing Pens program.

***And once again, Encinitas is the most visited library in the entire county, with more than 20,000 visits in February alone.***

The library is excited to announce our annual **Volunteer Appreciation Day!** We can't wait to celebrate all of our amazing library volunteers, FOEL volunteers, and dedicated service learners who make our community shine. On a separate day, we'll be hosting a special celebration just for our **Doggie Tales volunteers**, honoring the wonderful therapy dogs who bring joy to our bimonthly program.

We've also been building community partnerships. Library staff participated in the city's Age-Friendly Action planning sessions, and **we welcomed the AARP Tax Help team** as they began another season of free service.

We also look forward to exploring a new partnership with ***I Love A Clean San Diego***, which began with a clothing swap event on March 8 at the library.

**Beginning Tuesday May 5, our library will be a ballot drop off site** for the upcoming June election.

Finally, beginning in April, FOEL **library tours will shift to a quarterly schedule** (April, July, and October) aligned with the release of their *Tidelines* newsletter.

*We are always thankful for the Friends continued support of the Encinitas Library. Together, we're building a place where learning, creativity, and community can flourish. We're grateful to continue this journey with you!*

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