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# Santa Clara County Library District Offering Expanded Wi-Fi and Curbside Hours

New Services Launching After Labor Day

SANTA CLARA COUNTY, CALIF. – The COVID-19 pandemic has not affected everyone equally. This has further called attention to the digital divide in Silicon Valley, as more people are reliant on the internet to apply for stimulus checks, unemployment benefits, access digital resources, search for a job, support distance learning, and even for entertainment.

To help bridge this gap, the Santa Clara County Library District (SCCLD) has added Wi-Fi to the parking lots of the seven community libraries in Campbell, Cupertino, Gilroy, Los Altos, Milpitas, Morgan Hill, and Saratoga. In addition, SCCLD has installed Wi-Fi on both Bookmobiles to provide internet access to patrons when the Bookmobile is out in the community.



“Helping students with distance learning, finding family entertainment, accessing online resources, or working remotely in this trying time is hard enough,” County Librarian Jennifer Weeks said. “People should not have to worry about finding reliable internet access on top of everything else they are juggling right now.”

The free Wi-Fi will be available from the parking lots 24/7 for anyone to access the internet and SCCLD’s digital collection from the safety of their vehicles and/or outdoor spaces where they are able to social distance. A library card is not required to access the internet.

Signing up for a SCCLD eCard account is free and [easy](#). This Library account, available to all ages, gives users access to SCCLD’s entire [Online Library](#), available 24/7, including eBooks, audiobooks, downloadable movies, music, magazines, newspapers, international content, online learning, research, and more.

Also new starting after Labor Day, SCCLD is expanding curbside service availability at each location. With today's busy lives, this new schedule allows patrons more flexibility to pick up holds during the day or evening. Curbside appointments can be made up to 10 days in advance. SCCLD also offers walkup service that does not require an appointment. For a full list of curbside services and hours, visit [sccl.org/curbside](http://sccl.org/curbside)

<b>Curbside Hours</b>	<b>Mon</b>	<b>Tue</b>	<b>Wed</b>	<b>Thu</b>	<b>Fri</b>	<b>Sat</b>
<b>Campbell</b>	1-5p.m.	3-7p.m.	3-7p.m.	1-5p.m.	1-5p.m.	1-5p.m.
<b>Cupertino</b>	1-5p.m.	1-5p.m.	3-7p.m.	3-7p.m.	1-5p.m.	1-5p.m.
<b>Gilroy</b>	3-7p.m.	3-7p.m.	1-5p.m.	1-5p.m.	1-5p.m.	1-5p.m.
<b>Los Altos</b>	3-7p.m.	3-7p.m.	1-5p.m.	1-5p.m.	1-5p.m.	1-5p.m.
<b>Milpitas</b>	3-7p.m.	3-7p.m.	1-5p.m.	1-5p.m.	1-5p.m.	1-5p.m.
<b>Morgan Hill</b>	1-5p.m.	3-7p.m.	3-7p.m.	1-5p.m.	1-5p.m.	1-5p.m.
<b>Saratoga</b>	3-7p.m.	3-7p.m.	1-5p.m.	1-5p.m.	1-5p.m.	1-5p.m.
<b>Woodland</b>	1-5p.m.	1-5p.m.	3-7p.m.	3-7p.m.	1-5p.m.	1-5p.m.

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#### **About the Santa Clara County Library District**

The Santa Clara County Library District (SCCLD) promotes knowledge, ideas, and cultural enrichment. Its collection includes more than 2 million books, videos, CDs, DVDs/Blu-rays, audiobooks, eBooks and extensive online resources accessible from anywhere with an internet connection. In 2014, SCCLD celebrated one hundred years of service to local residents.

For the last twelve years, SCCLD has been consistently recognized as one of America's Star Libraries by Library Journal. In 2019, SCCLD was ranked among the top ten libraries in the United States with expenditures over \$30 million in their Index of Public Library Service, tops in California. In 2014 and 2019, SCCLD won Innovator Awards from the Urban Libraries Council. SCCLD also received a Challenge Award in 2019 from the California State Association of Counties.

SCCLD includes two bookmobiles, an online library, seven community libraries and one branch library serving Campbell, Cupertino, Gilroy, Los Altos, Los Altos Hills, Milpitas, Monte Sereno, Morgan Hill, Saratoga and the unincorporated areas of Santa Clara County. In 2019, SCCLD had over 428,000 library accounts and welcomed 3.4 million visitors, who borrowed 10.2 million items.

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