

Proclamation

September 2023 as Library Card Sign-Up Month

WHEREAS, the library provides the opportunity for all community members to pursue their passions and engage in lifelong learning; and

WHEREAS, the library has long served as a trusted institution for everyone regardless of race, ethnicity, creed, ability, sexual orientation, gender identity, or socio-economic status; and

WHEREAS, the library strives to develop and maintain programs and collections that are as diverse as the populations it serves, ensuring equity of access for all; and

WHEREAS, the library plays a vital role in the lives of residents, regardless of age, by providing free, accessible, relevant, and educational books, materials, and programs; and

WHEREAS, the library bridges the digital divide by providing a full range of technology access, training, and services to children and adults; and

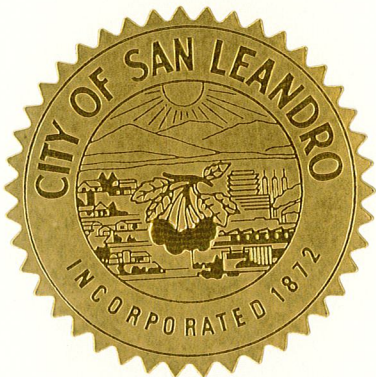
WHEREAS, the library provides experiential learning opportunities through programming and its Library of Things where items like kitchen mixers, sewing machines, telescopes, and musical instruments can be checked out; and

WHEREAS, the services of the library extend far beyond its walls, providing San Leandro Public Library cardholders access to digital materials, databases, and learning platforms; and

WHEREAS, the number of library card holders increased 2.6% in Fiscal year 2023 and the library is dedicated to a future where all residents proudly possess a San Leandro Library card; and

WHEREAS, the library is conducting a community engagement strategic planning process to learn how to best meet the needs of the community.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that I, Juan González III, Mayor of the City of San Leandro, do hereby proclaim September 2023, as Library Card Sign-Up Month in San Leandro. During this month, I encourage all residents to obtain a library card if they don't already have one and connect with their library by visiting online or in-person to access and explore the wealth of resources available.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of San Leandro to be affixed this 5th day of September 2023.

Juan González III, Mayor
City of San Leandro