

BOOK SALE



Large Selection of Children's & Young Adult!

Saturday, January 27
10:00 am to 3:00 pm

at the Vons grocery
at Telegraph & Victoria
(6040 Telegraph Road)

Fiction and Nonfiction
 Music/Art Cooking & More
 Comic Books Graphic Novels Manga
 Audiobooks Puzzles DVDs CDs

All proceeds benefit the libraries of the city of Ventura.



2nd Look Books
Friends of the Library Bookstore
in E.P. Foster Library
Open

Tuesday - Saturday 11 am to 4 pm
Sunday 1:00 to 4:00 pm

You can still browse anytime at our Online Bookstore for local sales.

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 E.P. Foster
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 in as few 2 days



Of course, the goal of all this activity is to support our public libraries. In 2023, Ventura Friends of the Library were able to fund supplies for the Young Readers Book Club at E.P. Foster, the Teen Advisory Group, supplies for Maker Spaces at E.P. Foster and Hill Road libraries, arts and crafts supplies at Avenue, E.P. Foster and Hill Road, special Summer Reading interactive programs in music and art at Avenue, E.P. Foster, Hill Road and Saticoy libraries and some adult programming at all four branches. In all, we provided more than \$27,000 in funding over the course of the year. Our year end gift to the library was \$35,000. The year end gift is used by the library to add books to the collection for all four branches.

For more information about current happenings at the library, Ventura County Library has a very extensive website at <https://vencolibrary.org>. You can access the catalog there, event listings and the eLibrary with many online resources available to you through your library card. On almost any page of the website, a rectangular button will appear on the right hand side, labeled "Video Tutorials" which you can click to access a list of available tutorials. If there is someone available to chat with by way of text messages, a speech bubble button labeled "Chat Live Now" will appear in the lower right corner which you can click to start a conversation. Ventura County Library has also initiated a new phone system.

To reach any branch, dial 805 626-READ. The friendly person who answers the phone can assist you with many basic services, including helping you renew a book or place a book on hold, updating your library account, providing operating locations and hours, and more. And if they can't help you directly, they will get you to someone who can in a timely and efficient manner.

You can also keep up with the news by picking up a copy of the Ventura Breeze, Your Hometown Newspaper, and looking for the column **Bookmarks: About Libraries and Friends.**

Thanks to Sheldon Brown, editor of the Breeze, for giving us this opportunity to share the good news about the activities of the Friends and the activities we can all enjoy at the libraries!