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SUBJECT: **School Mobile Library** – Funding Received from Ventura County Library Foundation and Primary Sponsors

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DATE: Tuesday, July 23, 2024 at 11:30 AM

Ventura County Library (VC Library) is pleased to announce the addition of a new School Mobile Library in July 2024. An official launch ceremony will be held at the Ventura County Board of Supervisors meeting at the Ventura County Government Center on Tuesday, July 23, 2024 at 11:30 AM. The vehicle will be on hand for community members to tour from 11:30 AM to 1:30 PM in the traffic circle located between the Hall of Administration and Hall of Justice. The School Mobile Library is possible by a generous donation of \$50,000 from the Ventura County Library Foundation and Premier America Credit Union, CBC Federal Credit Union, County Schools Federal Credit Union, and Ventura County Credit Union as Primary Sponsors. This funding is in addition to the \$250,000 Stronger Together: Improving Library Access Grant received by VC Library through the California State Library.

Nancy Schram, Library Director for Ventura County Library says, “With this donation, these local credit unions are giving back to the communities they serve. They recognize the importance of education and the need to provide equitable services to underserved and vulnerable students. Their generosity will change lives.”

With the addition of the School Mobile Library, VC Library will aid in the support of early childhood literacy and is pleased to partner with the Ventura County Office of Education to provide early and childhood literacy programming across the county. The School Mobile Library will offer a full range of library services to students, particularly those in the underserved areas of Ventura County and where schools do not have credentialed librarians on staff. The School Mobile Library will offer

books for students in multiple formats and languages, STEAM instruction and programs, homework support in alignment with current school curriculum and instruction, and access to technology and online resources.

VC Library is excited for the addition of the new School Mobile Library that will provide accessible reading opportunities to children throughout Ventura County. VC Library is also working with the local credit unions to implement financial literacy instruction as an essential component of School Mobile Library services.

The School Mobile Library will allow for furthering VC Library's vision that education occurs in a variety of settings and to allow for enhanced access to the services and resources the library provides to our community's youth and schools.

For additional information, contact Nancy Schram, Ventura County Library Director at (805) 256-8535

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