

### Stanislaus County Library

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# Stanislaus County Libraries to offer free escape room experiences

Children and teens can test their skills with themed experiences at the Salida and Turlock Libraries

The Nick W. Blom Salida Regional Library and Turlock Library will each offer themed escape room events this July, bringing the popular escape room experience to local children and teens.

The first event will be held at the Salida Library on Thursday, July 11. Ages 9 to 18 are invited to try their hands at escaping the upside down in an event inspired by the Netflix show *Stranger Things*. Participants will be asked to solve a series of puzzles and follow clues with a 1980s twist. "Participating in escape rooms exercises problem solving skills in a way that is both exciting and hands-on," said Jessica Geiss, children's librarian at the Salida Library.

There will be a *Stranger Things* escape room session at 2 p.m., 3 p.m. and 4 p.m. at the Salida Library, located at 4835 Sisk Road. The escape room is sponsored by the Friends of the Salida Library. For more information, please call the Salida Library supervisor, Wayne Philbrook, at 209-543-7353.

A Willy Wonka themed escape room will be offered at the Turlock Library on Friday, July 12 and Saturday, July 13. In this themed experience, ages 8 and up will compete to be the one to work at the famous Wonka Factory by following clues and solving puzzles left by Mr. Wonka in his Inventing Room. Sessions will be held at 1:30 and 3 p.m. on July 12, and 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. on July 13. This event is sponsored by the Friends of the Turlock Library. The Turlock Library is located at 550 Minaret Ave. For more information, please contact the Turlock Library supervisor, Diane Bartlett, at 209-664-8100.

Advance registration is required for all sessions, as space is limited. To register for the *Stranger Things* escape room, please call the Salida Library at 209-573-7315. To participate in the Willy Wonka escape room, please contact the Turlock Library at 209-664-8100.

Information on regularly occurring library programs can be found at www.stanislauslibrary.org, under the "Events and Classes" tab.

#### **About the Stanislaus County Library**

The Stanislaus County Library engages all members of the community and offers access to information, knowledge, and the tools for innovation and personal development. With 13 locations throughout the county, the Library offers free access to a diverse collection of materials, computer access and Wi-Fi, Story Times, programming for all ages, and more. To learn more about the Library's wide array of programs and services, visit www.stanislauslibrary.org.