



Stanislaus County Library

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Modesto Library offers technology training and veteran's health care information

Free iPhone workshop and VA Medical Van are featured this month

Learning a new skill, healthier eating, exercising more, and generally improving one's health are among the top new year resolutions. The Modesto Library offers programs to assist you in meeting your goals.

A 'Bring Your Own Device iPhone workshop' will be held Monday, Jan. 14, from 5 to 7 p.m. Library staff will teach participants about basic iPhone functions such as, making and receiving calls, retrieving voicemail, text messaging, using Bluetooth devices, setting up email on the phone and more.

"Smartphone literacy is important in our current technological world," said Vicki Salinas, reference librarian. "This program will benefit users by teaching them to use technology in a small group setting."

The Veteran's Administration Medical Van will visit the Modesto Library Wednesday, Jan. 30 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. This mobile medical outreach is for veterans and their family members and no appointment is necessary. An enrollment specialist, medical provider and Veterans Service Officer will be on-site to assist with eligibility questions and enrollment for VA care. New benefits are available for Vietnam and Iraq/Afghanistan Veterans.

"Through this individualized service, veterans can learn about the specific benefits they can receive," noted Kate Towers, library assistant. "The assistance provided by medical van personnel focuses primarily on medical benefits, but can also include other services, such as housing and education assistance."

Those not currently in the VA system are asked to bring an extra copy of their discharge papers (DD 214) to be attached to the enrollment form. The VA Medical Van outreach team may be able to obtain a copy for those who are unable to bring discharge papers. Veterans should check in at the Veterans Resource Center inside the library first.

The Modesto Library is located at 1500 I St. For more information, please contact the Modesto Library Reference Desk at 209-558-7814. Information about 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, computers 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.

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