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## **Pacoima Branch First Library to Offer San Fernando Valley Residents Loanable Laptops and iPad Minis from TechKiosk**

**LOS ANGELES** (March 11, 2016) – The Pacoima Branch of the Los Angeles Public Library now offers free laptops and iPad Minis to use in the library, located at 12605 Van Nuys Blvd. in Pacoima. The TechKiosk is an automated self-service device that offers six Lenovo laptops and six iPad Minis.

Patrons select a device, scan their Los Angeles Public Library card and can use the laptop or iPad Mini anywhere in the Pacoima Branch for up to two hours. All devices feature cloud-based word processing and various Android mobile apps and are connected to the library's free Wi-Fi. For more information about the TechKiosk visit <http://www.lapl.org/branches/pacoima>.

"The Los Angeles Public Library's newest TechKiosk expands access to technology for the residents of Pacoima and the Northern San Fernando Valley," says City Librarian John F. Szabo. "People visit the library to get the tools they need to achieve their goals, and the availability of laptops and tablets increases the opportunity to access the many online services offered by the library, including downloading e-books and music, resources for job seekers, homework help, and online learning."

A 2015 recipient of the nation's highest honor for library service—the National Medal from the Institute of Museum and Library Services, the Los Angeles Public Library serves the largest and most diverse urban population of any library in the nation. Its Central Library, 72 branch libraries, collection of more than 6 million books, state-of-the-art technology accessible at [www.lapl.org](http://www.lapl.org), and more than 18,000 public programs a year provide everyone with free and easy access to information and the opportunity for life-long learning.

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