

## **COUNTY OF YOLO**

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## **April 12 Find Out How Literacy Changes Lives**

(Woodland, CA) – Are you an educator? Is there an English learner in your life? Come listen to heartwarming stories of literacy success with Maria Sandoval of Yolo Reads on Sunday, April 12 from 3:45 to 5:00 p.m. at the Mary L. Stephens Davis Branch Library.

Yolo Reads is a local literacy program providing free tutoring to adults who want to improve their reading, writing, spelling and grammar skills. Volunteer tutors meet regularly with adult learners to help learners meet their personal reading and writing goals.

This event is part of a Book-to-Action community read project focusing on the experiences and value of education, and is based on the book, *I Am Malala: The Girl Who Stood Up for Education and Was Shot by the Taliban*, by Nobel Peace Prize Winner Malala Yousafzai. Moderator Dr. Krystyna von Henneberg and Maria Sandoval will highlight barriers to education, explain the work of Yolo Reads, share tutor and learners stories and explain how to become a tutor.

Book-to-Action is supported by the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services, under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act, and is administered in California by the State Librarian. Book-to-Action builds on the traditional book club concept, but in addition to providing an opportunity to collectively read and discuss a book, Book-to-Action enables readers to put their new-found knowledge into action by engaging in a community service project related to the book's topic. Additional sponsors are the Friends of the Davis Library and Creative Language Works.

This event will be held in the Blanchard Room of the Mary L. Stephens Davis Branch Library, located at 315 East 14th Street in Davis, which is accessible to persons with disabilities. The program is free and no reservations are required.

For more information about this program, contact: <u>joan.tuss@yolocounty.org</u>. For more information about the Yolo County Library, visit: <u>www.yolocountylibrary.org</u>, or connect with the Yolo County Library on Facebook at <u>www.facebook.com/yolocountylibrary.org</u>.