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Free 3D Printer Access Coming to Winters Community Library

(Woodland, CA) – The Winters Community Library will be offering a new fun and creative service during the month of October. Free 3D printer access will be available by appointment for library cardholders.

3D printing, or additive manufacturing, is a process of making three-dimensional objects from a digital file, usually by adding successive layers of heated, extruded material. The printers can be used to build objects from figurines to jewelry to household tools. Individuals can custom design objects using 3D modeling software, or they can visit websites, such as <u>www.thingiverse.com</u>, which provide design-ready objects for printing.

3D printer appointments at the Winters Community Library, located at 708 Railroad Ave. in Winters, are three-hours long and are available on the following days and times:

- Mondays: 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- Tuesdays: 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
- Wednesdays: 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- Thursdays: 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
- Fridays: 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- Saturdays: 1:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m.

To use a 3D printer, individuals must have: a Yolo County Library card in good standing; viewed the instructional video(s) found here: <u>https://tinyurl.com/YCL3Dprinter</u> and posted on the Library's website (or possess sufficient experience to use the equipment safely and appropriately); and signed a user agreement and liability waiver. Children under the age of 13 must be accompanied by an adult.

Want to see how it works and learn more? Join us on Tuesday, October 2 for a 3D Printer Maker Lab from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Participants age 10 and up will experience hands-on learning with design using a 3D printer.

This project was made possible in part by the Institute of Museum and Library Services, the California State Library, and the Friends of the Davis Public Library. For more information or to make an appointment, visit the Winters Community Library or: <u>www.yolocountylibrary.org</u>. Connect with the Yolo County Library on Facebook at <u>www.facebook.com/yolocountylibrary.org</u>.