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# San Diego Public Library Starts Off 2022 with a Winter Reading Challenge

## PROGRAM OFFERS PRIZES FOR READING BOOKS AND COMPLETING ACTIVITIES IN JANUARY

SAN DIEGO – Make reading a resolution in the new year and join the City of San Diego Public Library's annual Winter Reading Challenge. The program begins Saturday, Jan. 1, and the theme "Read for a Better World" encourages readers to explore diversity, empathy and action through literature.

**"The Winter Reading Challenge is a great opportunity for people of all ages to strengthen their literacy skills and branch out from their typical reading choices," said Library Director Misty Jones. "From physical books to e-books, audiobooks and magazines, the San Diego Public Library offers a multitude of ways to discover stories that offer different perspectives and experiences."**

The Winter Reading Challenge runs from Jan. 1 to Jan. 31, 2022, and is open to readers of all ages. Participants can earn prizes by completing a combination of five books, five hours of reading or literacy-based activities. Upon completion, readers will be eligible for prizes including passes to the Japanese Friendship Garden San Diego and a reusable snack container or utensil set.

Participants can register online and view a list of recommended books at [sandiego.gov/WinterReading](https://sandiego.gov/WinterReading) or visit a San Diego Public Library location offering [services](#). Visit the San Diego Public Library's [Virtual Hub](#) for online storytimes and book discussions. Information on in-person programming and available library services can be found on the San Diego Public Library's [web page](#).

### **About the San Diego Public Library**

With a vision of being the place for opportunity, discovery and inspiration, the San Diego Public Library is a hub for knowledge and lifelong learning. As the largest library system in the region, it serves a population of more than 1.4 million people. Learn about events at the San Diego Central Library @ Joan A Irwin Jacobs Common and 35 community branch libraries, find links to programs and resources or search for materials in the online catalog at [www.sandiegolibrary.org](http://www.sandiegolibrary.org).

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