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Press Release

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**STOCKTON-SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY TO HOST DIGITAL
BOOKMOBILE NATIONAL TOUR EVENT, SHARE EBOOK EXPERIENCE**

*Free digital titles with just a library card and an Internet-connected computer,
smartphone, or tablet*

The Digital Bookmobile National Tour (www.digitalbookmobile.com) will showcase the free eBook service from Stockton-San Joaquin County Public Library at Sherwood Mall on Friday, May 9th from 10am to 3pm. At this free event, readers of all ages will learn how to access eBooks from the library through interactive demonstrations and high-definition instructional videos. A gadget gallery—featuring Kindle® HD, iPad® Mini, Android™ Galaxy Tablet, NOOK™ HD+, Sony® Reader™, Kindle® Paperwhite, Windows® Phone 8, and more—will help visitors discover portable devices that are compatible with the library's download service.

Library card holders can also check out digital titles anytime, anywhere by visiting <http://www.ssjcpl.org>.

Stockton-San Joaquin County Public Library is pleased to offer eBooks in our catalog, and our collection is growing," said City Librarian Chris Freeman, "Every month we are adding new titles for readers of every age. I hope people will drop by the *Digital Bookmobile* for a little 'tech time' and learn how easy it is to download a book to their favorite device. Look for the big blue truck in the Sherwood Mall parking lot on May 9th."

The Digital Bookmobile is housed inside an 18-wheel tractor-trailer. This 74-foot community outreach vehicle is a high-tech update of the traditional bookmobile that has served communities for decades. The vehicle is equipped with broadband Internet-connected PCs, high definition monitors, premium sound systems, and a variety of portable media players, all of which help visitors explore Stockton-San Joaquin County Public Library's digital service. Interactive learning stations give visitors an opportunity to search the library's digital media collection, use supported mobile devices, and sample eBooks, audiobooks, music, and video.

Patrons can take advantage of the service 24/7 when they visit the library's website. From there, they can browse the growing collection of bestselling, new release, and classic titles, and check out a digital title with a valid library card. Once the digital titles have been checked out, they can enjoy them in the browser or transfer them to their computer or a supported mobile device. Many audio titles can also be burned to audio CD. At the end of the lending period, titles will automatically expire and are returned to the digital collection. There are never late fees or damaged items.

The Digital Bookmobile is a service of Stockton-San Joaquin County Public Library and is operated by OverDrive, Inc. To check out digital books and more, visit <http://www.ssjcpl.org>.

Stockton-San Joaquin County Public Library is a library system comprised of 12 branch libraries and two mobile vehicles that serve residents throughout Stockton and San Joaquin County. The Cesar Chavez Central Library is located at 605 N. El Dorado Street. For more information about the Stockton-San Joaquin County Public Library call (209) 937-8221 (Stockton), or countywide toll-free at (866) 805-7323. Visit the Library's website at www.ssjcpl.org. Find SSJCPL on Twitter (twitter.com/ssjcpl) or Facebook (facebook.com/ssjcpl), and join in conversations celebrating literacy.

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