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Monterey Park Bruggemeyer Library, Rep. Judy Chu and California Controller Betty Yee Host Free Tax Preparation Event for Low Income Households

Monterey Park, Calif. – April 2, 2015 – The [Monterey Park Bruggemeyer Library](#) hosted a free tax preparation and filing event for individuals with household incomes of \$53,000 or less on Wednesday, April 1, 2015. The event was made possible by the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program, Rep. Judy Chu (CA-27) and California State Controller Betty Yee's Office.

The free tax preparation event was one of more than 150 VITA events happening across the Los Angeles area this tax season. Rep. Judy Chu (CA-27); Monterey Park Mayor Hans Liang; Thomas Wong, External Affairs Liaison, Office of State Controller; and City Librarian Norma Arvizu spoke at the event that offered free assistance to low income individuals, persons with disabilities, the elderly and limited English speaking taxpayers who need assistance in preparing their returns.

Video of this event is available on the [City of Monterey Park's YouTube channel](#) at <https://youtu.be/rcyjA2a-fwk>

"Thanks to Congresswoman Judy Chu and State Controller Betty Yee for hosting the VITA event. The program provides important support for many people in our community that face problems understanding income tax and filing requirements," said Mayor Liang.

"Filing income taxes in the United States should not feel like an intimidating task. With programs such as VITA, the tax filing process is more inviting and approachable. In our community where we have a large immigrant population applying for citizenship annually through our library literacy program, this additional service the library is now offering through VITA provides transitioning to the American culture a welcoming passage," said City Librarian Norma Arvizu.

For more information about VITA programs, visit www.chu.house.gov.

The [Monterey Park Bruggemeyer Library](#) is the city's public library located at 318 S. Ramona Avenue, Monterey Park, CA 91754. Library hours are Sundays 1-5 p.m.; Mondays and Tuesdays 12-9 p.m.; Wednesdays and Thursdays 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Fridays and Saturdays 10 a.m.-1 p.m. For more City of Monterey Park news and information visit the city website at www.MontereyPark.ca.gov.

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