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Sterling, VA - The new Sterling Library is now up and running. Prior to the reopening, I worked very hard along with my Board of Supervisors Colleagues, Mark Miller (Chair) and all the members of the Loudoun County Library Board of Trustees, and Director of Library Services for Loudoun County, Chang Liu to improve and expand the Sterling Library to greatest extent possible. Together with everyone's support we were able to ensure that our library could provide extended hours and more staff to make sure the community has a location with a wide range of resources and a safe and healthy environment for the community to learn, grow and succeed. The new Sterling Library provides an expanded collection of books, a Teen Center, Kids' Section, Spanish Collection, Maker's Space, recording studio, meeting spaces, public computers and much more. I hope that this new and improved library becomes a staple in our community and helps our community grow, learn, and succeed together.

OVERVIEW OF FEATURES: THE NEW STERLING LIBRARY

Informational videos in both English and Spanish can be viewed on Supervisor Saines' YouTube Channel and at following the links: <https://youtu.be/nxQjFURkN3M> (English), <https://youtu.be/yXPjJg8B5OA> (Spanish).

TEEN CENTER

The Teen Center is a safe and fun place for teens (grades 6-12) to meet, mingle, and learn together. There are books geared towards young adults, videogame systems including many titles available to play on PlayStation, Xbox One and Wii, study and reading spots with power outlets/ USB ports for technology, and much more. Whether for school, work or recreation, the Teen Center provides a great location for young adults to thrive.

THE KIDS' SECTION

The Kids' Section provides a location for children of all ages to explore the world of reading and learning. There is a wide selection of books ranging from storybooks to non-fiction educational books. The Kids' Section also has 'Awe Learning' computers that provide digital literacy tools for pre-school and elementary school age children. There are also small play areas for young children.

SPANISH COLLECTION

The Spanish Collection has a large selection of books and DVDs in Spanish for children, teens, and adults, including ELL resources for native Spanish Speakers. This is a great opportunity for Spanish speakers and those wishing to learn Spanish to enjoy the library.

MAKER SPACE

The Maker Space is one of the most versatile areas of the library. In the Maker Space you can find a spacious area for all your “maker” needs including 3D printers, sewing machines, embroidery machines, wood carving machines, laminators, and a heat press for T-shirts. The 3D printers cost 5 cents per gram of material and are available by request through the Front Desk Staff. The T-shirt press, embroidery and sewing machines are also available through the front desk and are BYOS (Bring Your Own Supplies). The Maker Space is a great location to design, build and create for all ages.

RECORDING STUDIO

The library has its own recording studio with exceptional soundproofing to ensure the best recordings. Outlets inside the studio even allow you to bring your own equipment.

COMMUNITY POSTINGS

The latest community news and events, including our monthly newsletter, are available in the “community news” area. Any news or announcement that you have relevant to the community, can be given to the front desk to post on the board.

MEETING SPACES, COMPUTERS AND MORE

The library also provides large meeting spaces, quiet spaces, computers, free Wi-Fi and much more. Whether you’re preparing a job application, finishing a school paper, meeting with colleagues or simply want to spend a day diving into a good book, the Sterling Library provides a location to accomplish your goals.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

For more information on the new library you can email my office at Koran.Saines@loudoun.gov or email the library directly at sterlinglibrary@loudoun.gov! The new Sterling Library is located at 22330 S. Sterling Boulevard, Suite A117 in the Sterling Plaza Shopping Center. Their hours are Monday – Saturday 10 am – 9 pm, Sunday 1 pm – 5 pm. Library staff is available during these hours & are happy to answer any questions you may have. They can be reached at 571-258-3309.

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Koran T. Saines was elected to the Board of Supervisors representing the Sterling District in November 2015. He serves on the Board’s Finance/Government Operations and Economic Development Committee and represents Loudoun on the Northern Virginia Manpower Consortium Workforce Investment Board. He also serves as one of Loudoun’s representatives on the Route 28 Transportation Improvement District Commission and is one of the Board’s representatives on the Family Services Board. Follow Supervisor Saines on Facebook at www.facebook.com/koran4sterling