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Subject: The Tustin Public Library Welcomes the Simon Wiesenthal Center's World-Renowned "The Courage to Remember" Holocaust Exhibit
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As acts of intolerance, anti-Semitism and bullying continue to afflict our neighborhoods and society, many are left wondering, how can we best combat these dangerous trends of hatred?

The Simon Wiesenthal Center's "The Courage to Remember: The Holocaust 1933-1945" traveling exhibit strives to address this issue at its core, empowering people to educate themselves, learn from history and speak out against injustice as it comes to the Tustin Public Library on January 7-14, 2019 located at 345 E. Main Street, Tustin. The exhibit will be available for viewing during library hours.

The exhibit will commence with an opening ceremony at 5:30 p.m. Monday, January 7, at the Clifton C. Miller Community Center, 300 Centennial Way, Tustin. Following the ceremony, everyone will make their way to the exhibit at the Tustin Library located across the Civic Courtyard.

"Ignorance and racism have no place in society today. When particular groups are targeted by hate, we are all at risk," Tustin Mayor Pro Tem Dr. Allan Bernstein said. "The Courage to Remember' Holocaust exhibit helps our local students learn these important lessons from a tragic episode of the 20th century."

"Two decades after we first designed this exhibit, its lesson is still vital to peace at home and abroad," added Rabbi Abraham Cooper, Associate Dean of the Simon Wiesenthal Center. "Its timeless messages reflect the words of Simon Wiesenthal: 'Hope lives when people remember.'"

"The Courage to Remember: The Holocaust 1933-1945" traveling exhibit, produced by the Simon Wiesenthal Center's Museum of Tolerance, presented by the Foundation for California and made possible by a grant from SNCF, has been displayed in more than 16 countries over the past 20 years in addition to a successful tour throughout California and the Southeast. More than two million people have seen the exhibit in California alone.

The exhibit features more than 200 exclusive photographs and video interviews that cannot be seen anywhere else in the world. This learning tool offers a compelling insight into the Holocaust through four distinct themes: Nazi Germany, 1933-1938; Moving Toward the "Final Solution," 1939-1941; Annihilation in Nazi-occupied Europe, 1941-1945; and Liberation, Building New Lives.

Tustin Unified School District Superintendent Dr. Gregory Franklin added, "This exhibit on the Shoah is a critical tool for helping today's youth learn the difficult lessons of how hate can rip apart neighborhoods. We are encouraged that visitors will take to heart its teachings and help build bridges among different communities."

"'The Courage to Remember' empowers young and old to learn from history, confront bigotry and fight for justice. This exhibit is not a luxury, it is a necessity in all communities," said Dr. Alfred Balitzer, Chairman of the Foundation for California.

For more information on "The Courage to Remember," its partners and schedule, and to see photos and videos from opening events, please visit: www.couragetoremember.com.

For more information about Tustin Public Library, please visit: <http://www.ocpl.org/libloc/tustin>.

For more information about Tustin Unified School District, please visit: <https://www.tustin.k12.ca.us/>.

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