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## New County Librarian Appointed for County of Orange

**SANTA ANA, Calif.** (January 7, 2020) — The Board of Supervisors appointed Julie Quillman as the new County Librarian, effective immediately, following a year-long recruitment to fill the high-level position. The position became vacant after the retirement of former County Librarian, Helen Fried, in August 2018.

“We are truly happy to have a member of the County of Orange family become the OC Library’s newest County Librarian,” said Chairwoman Lisa Bartlett, Fifth District.

As County Librarian, Quillman will oversee staff, operations and activities of OC Public Libraries. Under the direction of the Board of Supervisors and the County Executive Officer, she will maintain and uphold the mission and long-term vision of OC Public Libraries, including directing the development and implementation of OC Public Libraries’ goals, policies and strategic plans.

“Ms. Quillman is extremely qualified and well suited to be our County’s new Librarian. I look forward to seeing her take our libraries to even greater heights,” said Vice Chair Michelle Steel, Second District.

OC Public Libraries provides library services to residents throughout the county with 32 public branches in 24 cities and unincorporated areas of the County of Orange.

“Our County libraries provide communities with a wealth of resources that enrich our constituents’ lives every day,” said Supervisor Andrew Do, First District. “I wish Ms. Quillman great success as she takes on her new role as County Librarian.”

The program has been recognized for a number of accolades, including two National Association of County (NACo) awards and one California State Association of Counties (CSAC) award this year.

“It is an honor to have Ms. Quillman serve as our new County Librarian. She has proven to be a fantastic asset to the department and brings many talents to her position,” said Supervisor Donald Wagner, Third District.

Quillman began her career at OC Public Libraries in 1986 as a Specialist Librarian in Cataloging and rose through the ranks. Most recently, she became head of the Bibliographic Services division and was a member of the Library Administration Policy Team where she helped create and direct the annual OC Public Libraries’ strategic plan.

“We look forward to having Ms. Quillman serve as our County’s newest Librarian,” said Supervisor Doug Chaffee, Fourth District.



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Quillman holds a bachelor's degree in Art History from the University of California, Irvine, and a master's degree in Library and Information Science from the University of California, Los Angeles.

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