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SUPERIOR COURT TO OPEN NEW COURTHOUSE IN MORGAN HILL

SAN JOSE, CA - The Superior Court of California, County of Santa Clara is pleased to announce the opening of the new South County Courthouse - Morgan Hill, effective April 6, 2009. As of that date, the existing South County court facility in San Martin will close permanently, and all cases previously filed at that location will be processed at the new South County Courthouse in Morgan Hill. This state-of-the-art justice facility, the first newly constructed courthouse to open in Santa Clara County in nearly 15 years, is the result of a collaborative effort involving the Court, the County of Santa Clara and the City of Morgan Hill. The new courthouse is located at:

301 Diana Avenue (at Butterfield) Morgan Hill, CA 95037 408-695-5000 Clerk's Office hours of operation: 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM, Monday through Friday

The South County Courthouse - Morgan Hill will provide a range of court services to the residents of Morgan Hill, Gilroy, San Martin and adjacent unincorporated areas. Initially, the new courthouse will process the following case types:

- Criminal
- Civil
- Small Claims
- Traffic

On May 4, 2009, the South County Courthouse - Morgan Hill will also begin hearing calendars and processing Family Court cases involving South County residents. More information on this move will be made available as the date approaches.

Families with Dependency cases who live in the Morgan Hill/Gilroy area will continue to have their cases heard in the South County Courthouse - Morgan Hill (on Fridays only), with the exception of the initial Detention Hearings, which will be heard at the Terraine St. Courthouse, 115 Terraine St., San Jose. All clerical functions will continue to be processed at the Terraine Street Courthouse.