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**MEDIA ADVISORY**

**Grand Opening Celebration of Helen Keller Park Community Center**

Supervisor Mark Ridley-Thomas and the Los Angeles County Department of Parks and Recreation will host the grand opening of the newly renovated \$7.3 million community center at Helen Keller Park at 3:30 p.m. Wednesday, December 10.

The celebration will take place outside the center and will feature a toy give away, refreshments and a film screening of the Lego Movie.

At the dedication ceremony, features of the new 4,000-square-foot facility will be unveiled, including a 100 seat, state of the art theater room with a 5 by 9-foot screen and surround sound, funded by Warner Bros. and the British Academy of Film & Television Arts. The center also will have a computer lab, arts and crafts room, outdoor patio, full kitchen and reception area.

Upgrades to the 6.6-acre park are currently underway and will include a new playground, baseball field and exercise equipment, in addition to design elements such as drought-tolerant landscaping that aim to conserve water usage and minimize run-off. The park renovations are expected to be completed summer 2015.

**Who:** Supervisor Mark Ridley-Thomas  
L.A. County Department of Parks and Recreation Director Russ Guiney

**What:** Grand opening celebration of the Helen Keller Park Community Center

**When:** 3:30 p.m. Wednesday, December 10

Where: Helen Keller Park  
1045 West 126th Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90044

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