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New LLRC Center Opens

Maricopa County Superior Court's Law Library Resource Center has a new home. The new facility, located at 101 W. Jefferson in Downtown Phoenix, combines the Court's Law Library, Protective Order Center and Self Service Center into a centralized, one-stop, user friendly experience.

"The Maricopa County Superior Court was the first trial court in the country to open a separate self-help facility for the Court's users and I am excited that we have been able to take that concept into the 21st century with this beautiful new facility," Presiding Judge Janet E. Barton said.

On February 10, the Superior Court will celebrate the new state-of-the-art facility with a grand opening and ribbon-cutting.

The new LLRC embodies the Court's and County's goal to move away from a self-service type environment toward one which reaches out to its users and provides individualized assistance and resources as needed. It features large customer service desks, numerous public computers, a training room with audio visual capabilities and a conference room.

Protective orders will continue to be processed in the LLRC with a domestic violence advocate on site. The center is also equipped with a Clerk of the Court filing counter so patrons filing protective orders have the ability to file their documents without leaving the resource center.

The Court's new Law Library Resource Center has an outstanding staff and more than 30 AmeriCorps Members who are funded through the Governor's Office of Youth, Faith and Family. The Center's staff and AmeriCorps Members provide legal information and customer assistance daily to a hundreds of individuals in various different languages.

Since opening a self-service center in 1995, the Maricopa County Superior Court has continued to refine and develop its Self-Service Center by creating intelligent forms, a Family Violence Prevention Center (Protective Order Center) to provide resources to victims of domestic or family violence, and installing computers for electronic research.

"We look forward to continuing to develop innovative programs to assist the more than 200,000 people who will come to this Resource Center each year seeking information and assistance on family law, probate, appeals, landlord tenant law, and various other legal issues," Judge Barton said.

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