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## **'SHELTER COURT' TO MOVE TO Foothill Family Shelter**

**SAN BERNARDINO, CA**—Starting on February 22, 2019, the San Bernardino County Superior Court will relocate its Shelter Court from the Upland Carnegie Library to the Foothill Family Shelter located at 1501 West Ninth Street, Suite D, in Upland, California.

Shelter Court is a special court session held on the fourth Friday of every month for homeless individuals who need to resolve open misdemeanor and infraction cases. As a result, homeless individuals can start the process of restoring benefits and obtaining their driver's license which were once on hold.

Since its implementation in June 2017, Shelter Court has served 414 homeless individuals with their open misdemeanor or infraction cases. Moving Shelter Court to the Foothill Family Shelter will increase access to justice by providing a more accessible location for homeless defendants, who often times do not have access to transportation and as a result miss court appearances.

"We are looking forward to working in tandem with Foothill Family Shelter in providing all the necessary services for the homeless and those in need. We are also very appreciative that Foothill Family Shelter is welcoming us with open arms," said Honorable Ingrid Uhler, judge presiding over the homeless court calendar.

This continued effort to increase access to justice will better serve the homeless population going forward and represents the continued collaboration between the court, community and local homeless advocates.

*Coming Soon:* The court will participate in a homeless outreach event hosted by the San Bernardino County Probation Department, on March 14, 2019, located at 104 W. 4<sup>th</sup> Street, San Bernardino, California.

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