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**ALAMEDA COUNTY
DEPARTMENT OF CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES
CELEBRATE FATHERS AT THE CASTRO VALLEY LIBRARY!**

The Alameda County Department of Child Support Services, in partnership with the Alameda County Library P.U.L.S.E. (Pop-Up Library Services for Everyone) Program and Help Me Grow Alameda County, will celebrate fathers at the Castro Valley Library at 3600 Norbridge Ave. on Saturday, June 21, 2014 from 10 a.m.-12 p.m. The event will feature story time with firefighters and Sheriff's deputies from the Alameda County Fire Department and the Alameda County Sheriff's Office, and will provide opportunities for enrollment in the Help Me Grow developmental screening program.

Under the leadership of Director Matthew A. Brega, the Department of Child Support Services has taken a holistic approach in supporting parents so they take an active role in the lives of their children. The Department's partnership with the Alameda County Library's P.U.L.S.E. Program illustrates its commitment to the importance of literacy and books in parent/child relationships.

The employees of the Alameda County Department of Child Support Services have donated over 75 new sports balls, and Help Me Grow Alameda County will donate children's books that will be distributed to fathers at this event. The Alameda County Library P.U.L.S.E. Program will donate books to be distributed to children who attend the event. The event will reinforce the fact that financial support is merely one aspect of raising a healthy child and encourage a strong father/child relationship through the opportunity of playing and reading together.

Alameda County Department of Child Support Services is proud to provide services to over 46,000 children living in Alameda County. The Department establishes paternity, child support orders, and enforces and collects over \$70 million dollars in child support annually.

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