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### **Kings County Mobile Library Deployed**

On February 8, 2023, the Kings County Library officially unveiled its mobile library unit, affectionately named the Kings County Mobile Library, or KMBL (pronounced "Kimble"). The 26-foot vehicle will become a stand-alone branch of the Kings County Library system and will be used to bring the library to Kings County communities that have challenges accessing local branches, providing an opportunity to improve library access and program delivery.

Kimble was purchased by the Kings County Library through a Shared Vision/Bringing the Library to You Grant from the California State Library for \$205,000 in April 2020. The Friends of the Kings County Library, a fundraising group for the Library, donated \$5,000 which was used to purchase children and teen books. Kimble holds approximately 2,500 items, has wireless connectivity to carry and connect laptops and other mobile devices, is ADA compliant with a lift for patrons that need it, and requires no special license to operate.

Although regular routes are still being finalized, the Library anticipates Kimble hitting the road in late-March or early-April. In addition to its normal routes, Kimble is available for community events via the Community Request Form which is located on the Library's website at [www.kingscountylibrary.org](http://www.kingscountylibrary.org).