

UCSD collects 11,000 books to donate to three San Diego School districts

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MEDIA ADVISORY

EVENT: Teachers from three San Diego County school districts will wheel shopping carts through aisles stacked high with more than 11,000 books donated to the San Diego Reads! book drive.

DATE/TIME: 10 a.m. Wednesday, September 1.

LOCATION: Price Center Ballroom, University of California, San Diego.

BACKGROUND: Free textbooks, children's books, novels, reference books, etc. will be available for teachers from the San Diego, National City and Sweetwater school districts to select for their classrooms. The books were gathered and donated by the UCSD Bookstore, CREATE, and university students and staff.

On hand for opening ceremonies will be Ed Lopez, chair of the San Diego City School District Board of Trustees; Ed Brand, Superintendent, Sweetwater School District; George Cameron, Superintendent, National City School District, and Paul Drake, Dean, Social Sciences, UCSD.

Following the ceremonies the book distribution will be held from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

PHOTO OPPORTUNITY: Teachers zipping along with carts inspecting and selecting books.

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