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Public Invited to Tour Renovated Riverside Convention Center

Ribbon cutting and tours scheduled for 10 a.m. Saturday, rain or shine

RIVERSIDE, Calif. – The newly-renovated Riverside Convention Center will be officially re-opened with a ribbon-cutting ceremony and public tours on Saturday, March 1.

The City of Riverside will hold the event from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Convention Center at Fifth and Main streets. Light refreshments will be served.

The event is scheduled to proceed regardless of whether a much-anticipated storm brings large amounts of rain to the area.

A \$43.6 million renovation has turned the Riverside Convention Center is a state-of-the-art facility featuring more than 65,000 square feet of indoor space for conventions, trade shows, meetings and competitions. An attractive, open-air, 20,000-square-foot plaza also can be used for events.

The facility has ample space to host a range of events with exhibit halls, ballrooms, and meeting facilities, with 21 rooms capable of serving groups ranging in size from 25 to 3,000.

The building has attractive architectural features and high-efficiency LED lighting and occupant sensors for energy management. Additionally, the renovation includes recycled materials and drought tolerant landscaping.

The convention center seated in downtown Riverside is an ideal facility for any event as it is surrounded by hotels, entertainment, dining and retail. More than 60 eateries are within a short walk of the Convention Center, as are the Fox Performing Arts Center and the Riverside Municipal Auditorium, which are home to world-class entertainment booked by Live Nation, the largest provider of live entertainment in the world.