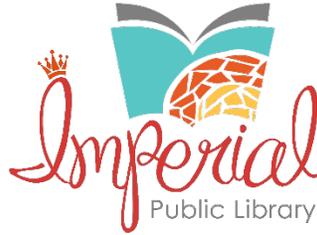


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**STAFF REPORT**  
**Agenda Item No. B-4**

**To:** Imperial Library Board of Trustees

**From:** Imperial Public Library

**Date:** January 13, 2026

**Subject:** “Every Story Counts” Initiative

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**Summary/Background:**

Library Manager Haller will lead a discussion about the “Every Story Counts” initiative presented by the California State Library. This initiative will take place from January 25 to 31, 2026. The importance of this lies in sharing information, stories, and photos about how and why people utilize their local public libraries. The California State Library will provide tools and templates to help promote this initiative. One of these tools will be a physical survey available for patrons to complete in the Library, along with a survey link to be shared online on social media. Once all responses have been submitted, the Library will receive a summary of the results.

**Recommendation:**

Staff recommend that the Imperial Public Library and Imperial Library Board of Trustees promote and participate in this initiative to showcase the importance of our Library. This is a great opportunity to hear from patrons about what makes our Library so special. The survey will also help provide insight into what has been most beneficial to our patrons and our strong points.