

CSUSB Palm Desert Campus Hosts Formal Building Dedication Ceremonies for New Palm Desert Health Sciences Building

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PALM DESERT, Calif. (October 14, 2008) - The formal dedication ceremonies for the opening of the new **Palm Desert Health Sciences Building** will take place this Thursday, October 16th, beginning at 8am.

TV cameras will be allowed inside the theater as well as anywhere else on campus.

Please join us for an outdoor breakfast buffet at 8am, followed by the formal dedication ceremony at 9am in our Indian Wells Theater.

The guest speaker will be Mary Bono Mack, U.S. Representative, 45th Congressional District.

The dedication of the building's plaza will follow this ceremony at approximately 10am. The plaza will be dedicated to Dr. Anthony Evans, former president of California State University, San Bernardino. Evans was an intricate part of the campus' initial development. This ceremony will also include the ribbon-cutting for the new building.

Guests will then enjoy a guided tour of the new state-of-art LEED certified (pending) Health Sciences Building.

Eight cities in the Coachella Valley, as well as other public and private entities, contributed to the building's construction. Most of the major contributors to the building will be represented at the ceremonies. City of Palm Desert Mayor, Jean Benson, and Assemblyman John Benoit have confirmed their attendance.

The day's events are not open to the general public. They are invitation-only. Due to the overwhelming amount of responses we received, we are at full capacity. We did not use a ticketing system, so seating is on a first-come, first-served basis for invited guests.

I've attached a document which provides valuable information about the new building and the campus in general and media kits will be available.