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BARSTOW COURTHOUSE REMODEL PROJECT UNDERWAY

SAN BERNARDINO, CA— The San Bernardino Superior Court (SBSC) is pleased to announce that construction at the Barstow Courthouse has commenced, which starts Phase II of the High Desert Reorganization Plan.

Since 2018, SBSC has been seeking solutions to the overcrowding, ever-growing caseload and service challenges in the Victorville Courthouse. After securing space from the County of San Bernardino in February 2020, and the move of child support and civil matters (civil harassment, elder abuse and name changes) to the Barstow Courthouse in November 2020, construction at the Barstow Courthouse has begun and is expected to finish in spring 2021.

The expansion will bring 3.5 family law courtrooms, Self-Help Resource Center, Family Court Services, and a children's waiting room to the Barstow Courthouse. Construction on the Victorville Courthouse, phase III, will start in Summer 2021 and will achieve an expanded jury room, additional courtrooms to accommodate the increasing criminal caseloads and overall improved access to courthouse parking, hallway space, and seating for the residents of the High Desert. These expansions also increase SBSC's ability to comply with social distancing protocols, amid the COVID-19 pandemic.

SBSC is grateful for the collaborative efforts the San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors (BOS) have demonstrated over these past several years. Specifically, the BOS have helped bring awareness and secure additional space at the Barstow Courthouse for the residents of the High Desert.

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