CENSUS PROGRAMMING

During January through April 2020, all Kern County Library branches are hosting a range of census-inspired programming, including workshops on how to research your family genealogy, coloring stations full of fictional family tree coloring sheets, family-themed storytime, and more!

In partnership with the Kern Complete Count Committee for the 2020 Census.
WHAT IS THE CENSUS?
The Census is a count of every person living in the United States, carried out by the U.S. Census Bureau every 10 years. The Census is nearly as old as the United States itself. The U.S. Constitution requires a count of the population every 10 years.

A BRIEF TIMELINE OF THE CENSUS

- **The first U.S. Census** was conducted in 1790. New York was the nation’s largest city with 33,131 people.
- **The 1810 Census** included data on U.S. manufacturers.
- **The 1820 Census** included data on families’ “agricultural pursuits.”
- **The 1830 Census**. Uniform, printed schedules are used for the first time to collect Census data.
- **1874.** The Census Office publishes the first “Statistical Atlas of the United States.”
- **1917-1918.** The Census Office conducts “emergency censuses” of vital industries to support the WWI effort.
- **1953.** The Census Bureau develops the Film Optical Sensing Device for Input to Computers (FOSDIC) to replace punch cards.
- **1963.** The first Census of transportation is conducted.
- **1990.** The first CDs of Census Data are released.
- **2010.** The Census questionnaire is limited to 10 questions.
- **2020.** The Census questionnaire is conducted entirely digital for the first time.
WHY IS THE CENSUS IMPORTANT?

Dollars & Resources 💰
- Census data determines spending of federal dollars for local schools, roads, hospitals, child care and senior centers, and other services supporting our communities.
- The state will lose federal funding of approximately $1,950 per person, per year, for ten years, for every person not counted in the 2020 census. That’s a loss of funding equal to almost $20,000 per person who isn’t counted.

Congressional & State Districts are based on Census data giving us a voice in our democracy! 🏛️

YOUR PRIVACY IS PROTECTED

It’s against the law for the Census Bureau to publicly release your responses in any way that could identify you or your household. The information can only be used to produce statistics. 🏛️

Bureau staff will NOT share your information with other agencies.

KERN COUNTS! HOW CAN YOU BE COUNTED?

It’s easy! Each household will receive a notice in the mail with directions on how to fill out the Census questionnaire online, by phone, or by mail.

Visit census.gov for more information.

WHEN WILL THE 2020 CENSUS HAPPEN?

Reminders by mail will start in March 2020. A Census Worker will only visit your home to collect the information in person if you have not completed the Census questionnaire by the end of April 2020.

Be sure to count all children and adults living in the household! 📗

LIBRARIES BELIEVE EVERYONE COUNTS

The Kern County Library is dedicated to supporting the U.S. Census Bureau in Kern County. The Kern Complete Count Committee (KCCC) is working locally to ensure everyone is counted.

kerncounts.org
CENSUS-INSPIRED PROGRAMMING

The Kern County Library believes in celebrating the 2020 Census with inspired programming that emphasizes the importance of U.S. history, genealogy, and families.

Library workshops, performances, and events are **FREE** and open to the public. We’re adding more programs all the time! At times, programs may be re-scheduled or canceled without advance notice. Visit **KCevents.org** to find out what’s new and to confirm the most up-to-date program information.

DISPLAYS AT ALL LIBRARIES

**A HISTORY OF OUR COMMUNITY**
**HISTORIAL DE NUESTRA COMUNIDAD**

Kern County is a rich, diverse home to many people from many places. View our displays to learn more about the history of our County.

**MAPPING OUR MELTING POT**
**DE DONDE VENEMOS**

Our ancestors came from a lot of places around the world! Check out our map that shows where our families hail from. Join in and pin the map!

ONGOING PROGRAMMING

**EVERYONE COUNTS**
**COLORING STATION**
**ESTACIÓN DE COLOREAR TODOS CONTAMOS**

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**CREA EL ESCUDO DE TU FAMILIA**

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CARRYOUT CRAFTS

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**DISCOVER ADDITIONAL branch-specific Family Tree, Scavenger Hunt, & Coat of Arms events in our full list of census-inspired family programming.**
### FAMILY STORYTIMES

**CUENTOS PARA LA FAMILIA**

#### BAKERSFIELD

**BAKER**
- Wed | Jan 8 | 3:30pm
- Wed | Feb 5 | 3:30pm
- Wed | Mar 4 | 3:30pm
- Wed | Apr 1 | 3:30pm

**BEALE**
- Sat | Jan 18 | 10am
- Sat | Feb 15 | 10am
- Sat | Mar 21 | 10am
- Sat | Apr 18 | 10am

**HOLLOWAY**
- Wed | Jan 22 | 3pm
- Fri | Feb 21 | 11am
- Wed | Mar 18 | 3pm
- Fri | Apr 17 | 11am

**NORTHWEST**
- Sat | Jan 25 | 10:30am
- Tue | Feb 25 | 11am
- Sat | Mar 21 | 10:30am
- Tue | Apr 21 | 11am

**SOUTHWEST**
- Tue | Jan 7 | 11:15am
- Tue | Feb 4 | 11:15am
- Tue | Mar 3 | 11:15am
- Tue | Apr 7 | 11:15am

**WILSON**
- Fri | Jan 10 | 3pm
- Fri | Feb 7 | 3pm
- Fri | Mar 13 | 10:30am
- Fri | Apr 10 | 11:30am

#### COUNTYWIDE

**ARVIN**
- Tue | Jan 28 | 4pm
- Tue | Feb 4 | 4pm
- Tue | Mar 3 | 4pm
- Tue | Apr 7 | 4pm

**BORON**
- Wed | Jan 8 | 3pm
- Wed | Feb 5 | 3pm
- Wed | Mar 11 | 3pm
- Wed | Apr 8 | 3pm

**BUTTONWILLOW**
- Mon | Jan 6 | 12pm
- Mon | Feb 3 | 12pm
- Mon | Mar 9 | 12pm
- Mon | Apr 6 | 12pm

**CALIFORNIA CITY**
- Tue | Jan 7 | 10:30am
- Tue | Feb 4 | 10:30am
- Tue | Mar 3 | 10:30am
- Tue | Apr 7 | 10:30am

**DELANO**
- Tue | Jan 7 | 3pm
- Tue | Feb 25 | 3pm
- Sat | Mar 7 | 1:30pm
- Sat | Apr 25 | 1:30pm

**FRAZIER PARK**
- Tue | Jan 7 | 11:30am
- Tue | Feb 4 | 11:30am
- Tue | Mar 3 | 11:30am
- Tue | Apr 7 | 11:30am

**KERN RIVER VALLEY**
- Thu | Jan 23 | 4pm
- Thu | Feb 27 | 4pm
- Thu | Mar 26 | 4pm
- Thu | Apr 23 | 4pm

**LAMONT**
- Fri | Jan 31 | 3pm
- Fri | Feb 7 | 3pm
- Fri | Mar 6 | 3pm
- Fri | Apr 3 | 3pm

**MCFARLAND**
- Fri | Jan 10 | 3:30pm
- Fri | Feb 21 | 3:30pm
- Fri | Mar 20 | 3:30pm
- Fri | Apr 17 | 3:30pm

**MOJAVE**
- Fri | Jan 31 | 11:30am
- Fri | Feb 28 | 11:30am
- Fri | Mar 27 | 11:30am
- Fri | Apr 24 | 11:30am

**RIDGECREST**
- Fri | Jan 10 | 9:30am
- Fri | Feb 7 | 9:30am
- Fri | Mar 27 | 9:30am
- Fri | Apr 3 | 9:30am

**ROSAMOND**
- Fri | Jan 10 | 10am
- Sat | Jan 11 | 10am
- Fri | Feb 7 | 10am
- Sat | Feb 8 | 10am
- Sat | Mar 7 | 10am
- Fri | Apr 3 | 10am
- Sat | Apr 4 | 10am

**SHEELF**
- Tue | Jan 14 | 3:30pm
- Tue | Feb 11 | 3:30pm
- Tue | Mar 10 | 3:30pm
- Tue | Apr 14 | 3:30pm

**TAFT**
- Sat | Jan 11 | 10:30am
- Sat | Feb 8 | 10:30am
- Sat | Mar 14 | 10:30am
- Sat | Apr 11 | 10:30am

**TEHACHAPI**
- Fri | Jan 31 | 10am
- Fri | Feb 28 | 10am
- Fri | Mar 27 | 10am
- Fri | Apr 24 | 10am

**WASCO**
- Fri | Jan 10 | 3:30pm
- Fri | Feb 7 | 3:30pm
- Fri | Mar 6 | 3:30pm
- Fri | Apr 3 | 3:30pm

**WOFFORD HEIGHTS**
- Fri | Jan 17 | 10:30am
- Fri | Feb 7 | 10:30am
- Fri | Mar 13 | 10:30am
- Fri | Apr 10 | 10:30am

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**Featuring the themes of family, family history, & tradition.**
JOIN US FOR CENSUS-INSPIRED FAMILY PROGRAMMING.

FAMILY RECIPE EXCHANGE
INTERCAMBIO DE RECETAS FAMILIARES
Share your favorite family recipes in this yummy cultural exchange.

HOLLOWAY  January - April  |  All Month
NORTHEAST  January - April  |  All Month
BORON     January  |  All Month
ROSAMOND  January  |  All Month
TEHACHAPI January  |  All Month
WASCO     Wed  |  Jan 8  |  1pm
MOJAVE    Mon  |  Jan 13  |  All Day
CALIFORNIA CITY February  |  All Month
FRAZIER PARK February  |  All Month
TAFT      February  |  All Month
WILSON    February  |  All Month  |  11am
LAMONT    March  |  All Month
RIDGECREST March  |  All Month
ARVIN     Mon  |  Mar 2  |  11am

ME AND MY FAMILY TREE
CREA TU ÁRBOL GENEALÓGICO
Conduct your own family investigation and gather the names for your family tree, draw or add pictures, and color to bring it to life!

HOLLOWAY  January - April  |  All Month
KERN RIVER VALLEY January - April  |  All Month
NORTHEAST  January - April  |  All Month
RIDGECREST January - April  |  All Month
BAKER     Mon  |  Jan 27  |  11am
SHAFTER   Tue  |  Feb 18  |  2pm
WASCO     Wed  |  Mar 18  |  3:30pm
MCFARLAND Fri  |  Feb 27  |  4:30pm
BUTTONWILLOW Fri  |  Mar 13  |  3:30pm

TRAVELING TERRY! WHERE DO YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS LIVE?
¡TERRY VIAJA! ¿DONDE VIVEN TUS AMIGOS Y FAMILIA?
Pick up your Traveling Terry at the Library. Then send Traveling Terry to family and friends around the U.S. or the world. Take a picture with Terry, print the picture, and bring the picture into the Library to pin on our map.

HOLLOWAY  January - April  |  All Month
NORTHEAST  January - April  |  All Month

COLLABORATIVE DISPLAY: A LIBRARY OF PEOPLE
EXPOSICIÓN COLABORATIVA: BIBLIOTECA DE GENTE
Community members are invited to display their story and read the stories about other people in the community.

KERN RIVER VALLEY January - April  |  All Month
BUTTONWILLOW January - February  |  All Month
RIDGECREST February  |  All Month
MOJAVE    April 13 - 17  |  4pm

FANDOM FAMILY TREE
ARBOL FAMILIAR DE FANATICOS
Fill out a family tree for popular fandoms in this unique trivia game.

LAMONT January  |  All Month

A LIBRARY “MINI-CENSUS”
MINI-CENSO EN LA BIBLIOTECA
Help us find out more about our Library customers by joining in our Library “mini-census” (for fun!).

TAFT  March  |  All Month
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**CARRYOUT CRAFT**

*MANUALIDAD PARA LLEVAR*

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**CENSUS PHOTOBOOTH**

*CABINA FOTOGRÁFICA DE CENSO*

Take a picture at our photobooth and hold up your favorite hashtag. Share your photos on social media! #KernCounts

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**MOVIE MATINEES**

*PELICULA A MATINÉE*

Join us for movies with friends and family.

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**FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT**

*NOCHE DE CINE FAMILIAR*

Join us at the Library for family-friendly films that celebrate families of all shapes and sizes!

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**BOARD GAME CAFE**

*CAFE DE JUEGO DE TABLA*

Spend time with your family at the Library. Access our collection of board games!

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**CELEBRATE OUR WORLD’S CULTURES**

*CULTURAS ALREDEDOR DEL MUNDO*

Create crafts and explore different cultures around the world.

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SCRAPBOOK WORKSHOP

ALBUMES DE RECORTES

Bring some pictures and learn to create a scrapbook page to preserve family memories.

BUTTONWILLOW  Wed | Jan 8 | 12pm
ARVIN  Thu | Jan 30 | 5pm
HOLLOWAY  Wednesdays in February | 9:30am
MOJAVE  Mon | Feb 3 | 10am
BUTTONWILLOW  Wed | Feb 5 | 12pm
NORTHEAST  Thu | Feb 6 | 5pm
TAFT  Tue | Feb 11 | 5:30pm
TAFT  Wed | Feb 12 | 5pm
KERN RIVER VALLEY  Fri | Feb 21 | 11am
SOUTHWEST  Sat | Feb 29 | 2pm | For Adults
LAMONT  Sat | Mar 21 | 2pm

COAT OF ARMS CREATIONS

CREA EL ESCUDO DE TU FAMILIA

Coats of arms were used for many years to identify families from afar. Get creative and make your own unique family crest!

ROSAMOND  Sat | Jan 11 | 2pm
BORON  Wed | Jan 15 | 4pm
SHAFTER  Tue | Jan 27 | 2pm
MCFARLAND  Fri | Jan 24 | 4:30pm
CALIFORNIA CITY  Sat | Feb 15 | 10:30am
BAKER  Wed | Feb 19 | 2pm
TEHACHAPI  Sat | Feb 22 | 10am
FRAZIER PARK  March | All Month
HOLLOWAY  March | All Month
NORTHEAST  March | All Month
KERN RIVER VALLEY  Fri | Mar 13 | 3:30pm
RIDGECREST  Fri | Mar 27 | 3:30pm
LAMONT  April | All Month
ARVIN  Wed | Apr 1 | 11am

FAMILY HISTORY MYSTERY

ENTREVISTA DE HISTORIAL FAMILIAR

Use your skills to solve a family history “mystery” using our handy guides.

CALIFORNIA CITY  Sat | Jan 18 | 10:30am
TEHACHAPI  March | All Month
BORON  April | All Month
ROSAMOND  April | All Month

KIDS GET CRAFTY

LOS NIÑOS SE PONEN ASTUTOS

Join in our unique craft projects and get creative!

SOUTHWEST  Thu | Jan 16 | 3:30pm | Snowman Families
BUTTONWILLOW  Fri | Jan 17 | 3:30pm | House
BEALE  Fri | Jan 17 | 4pm | Popsicle Stick Families
SOUTHWEST  Sat | Feb 1 | 2pm | Valentine’s for Family
WASCO  Wed | Feb 5 | 1pm | Valentine’s for Family
LAMONT  Sat | Feb 8 | 3pm | Family Photo Frame
WOFFORD HEIGHTS  Wed | Mar 11 | 2pm
ARVIN  Thu | Mar 5 | 3pm | Cardboard Family
SOUTHWEST  Sat | Mar 7 | 2pm | Lucky to be Family
SHAFTER  Tue | Mar 17 | 2pm
MCFARLAND  Fri | Mar 27 | 4:30pm | Ancestry Craft
TEHACHAPI  Sat | Mar 28 | 10am | Popsicle Home
BUTTONWILLOW  Fri | Apr 3 | 2pm | Popsicle Family
SOUTHWEST  Sat | Apr 11 | 2pm | Bird Families
SHAFTER  Tue | Apr 21 | 2pm

S.T.E.A.M.: DNA TRAITS & GENETICS

S.T.E.A.M. RASGOS DE ADN Y GENÉTICA

Families are invited to explore and learn about DNA and genetics.

LAMONT  Sat | Jan 18 | 4pm
ARVIN  Thu | Feb 6 | 4:30pm
BUTTONWILLOW  Fri | Feb 7 | 3:30pm
SOUTHWEST  Thu | Feb 13 | 3:30pm
RIDGECREST  Wed | Apr 8 | All Day
MCFARLAND  Fri | Apr 24 | 4:30pm

CRAFTY TEENS CLUB

ADOLESCENTES ASTUTOS

Learn how your ancestors used to write.

NORTHEAST  Tue | Jan 21 | 3pm | Calligraphy

TELL YOUR STORY IN COLLAGE ART

CUENTA TU HISTORIA CON RECORTES

In honor of Census Day, create an autobiographical collage of images & words.

LAMONT  Wed | Apr 1 | 3pm

LIFE-SIZED PORTRAITS

RETRATOS DE GRAN TAMAÑO

Celebrate your uniqueness by making a life-sized self portrait. Color in your personality!

FRAZIER PARK  Tue | Jan 21 | 3pm
FAMILY TRADITIONS QUILT

ACOLChADO FAMILIAR
Draw your favorite family tradition and add it to our community paper quilt.

BAKER  Mon | Jan 22 | 11am

DNA TRAITS:
MAGiC RUNS IN FAMILiES

RASGOS DE ADN: MAGIA CORRE EN FAMILIAS
Learn about how genetic traits work using Harry Potter characters and their families.

TEHACHAPI  Sat | Jan 25 | 10am

CHINESE NEW YEAR BINGO

BINGO CHINO DE NUEVO AÑO
Celebrate the Chinese New Year and Chinese culture with this bingo game!

BAKER  Mon | Jan 27 | 4pm

GRANDPARENTS TEA PARTY

TE PARA ABUELOS
Bring your Grandparents, Aunts, Uncles, or Parents to a Library High Tea.

SOUTHWEST  Sat | Feb 8 | 2pm
DELANO  Sat | Mar 7 | 10am
ROSAMOND  Sat | Mar 14 | 11am
BORON  Wed | Mar 18 | 5pm
KERN RIVER VALLEY Sat | Mar 21 | 11am
TAFT  Sat | Mar 21 | 2pm
WASCO  Wed | Apr 8 | 3:30pm
NORTHEAST  Sat | Apr 18 | 2:30pm
FRAZIER PARK  Sat | Apr 25 | 2pm

FUN FRIDAY: 3D FAMILY TREE

VIERNES DIVERTIDO: ARBOL FAMILIAR 3D
Create a 3D family tree using chenille stems and leaves.

RIDGECREST  Fri | Feb 7 | 3:30pm

HOLIDAY TRIVIA FUN

DIVERSION TRIVIA NAVIDEÑA
See how Census statistics influence your favorite holidays.

DELANO  Feb 11 - 12 | All Day | Valentine’s Day
DELANO  Thu | Feb 13 | 4pm | Valentine’s Day
DELANO  Tue | Mar 17 | 4pm | St. Patrick’s Day
DELANO  Wed | Apr 22 | 4pm | Earth Day
DELANO  Apr 23 - 25 | All Day | Earth Day

CALLIGRAPHY WORKSHOP

CLASE DE CALIGRAFIA
Learn a new form of script with this classic writing technique.

ROSAMOND  Sat | Feb 15 | 2pm
BORON  Wed | Feb 19 | 4pm

MINI MOUNTAIN MOTH

MINI POLILLA DE LA MONTAÑA
It’s time for the kids to take center stage! Share stories with other children & families.

FRAZIER PARK  Tue | Feb 18 | 3pm

MEMOIR WRITING PLATFORM

PLATAFORMA DE OBRA AUTOBIOGRAFICA
Tell your personal story by editing, with blackout pens or scissors, already written passages to reflect your own memories. Share with our Library community!

FRAZIER PARK  Mar 17 - 21 | All Day

FAMILY PORTRAITS

RETRATOS DE FAMILIA
Family portraits are a beautiful way to honor our mothers, fathers, and relatives; portraits were standard long before cameras. Create your very own family portraits!

BAKER  Wed | Mar 18 | 2pm

HEIRLOOM SEED EXCHANGE

INTERCAMBIO DE SEMILLA RELIQUIA
Exchange seeds for planting at your home.

MCFARLAND  Fri | Mar 27 | 4:30pm
TEHACHAPI  April | All Month

MEMOIR WRITING WORKSHOP

CLASE DE OBRA AUTOBIOGRAFICA
Learn the basics of writing your own story.

MOJAVE  Fri | Jan 3 | 3pm
ARVIN  Wed | Apr 1 | 5pm
KERN RIVER VALLEY  Fri | Apr 17 | All Day

TELL YOUR STORY IN 10 QUESTIONS

CUENTA TU HISTORIA EN 10 PREGUNTAS
Sign up to record your story with our podcasting & video equipment.

RIDGECREST  Sat | Apr 18 | 12:30pm

CENSUS-INSPIRED FAMILY PROGRAMMING
WHAT IS GENEALOGY?
Genealogy is the study of families, family history, & the tracing of lineages.

THE CENSUS IMPACTS GENEALOGY
Historical Censuses are vital records that genealogists use to research family history. People’s participation in the Census hundreds of years ago has a direct impact on the research conducted by genealogists today.

THE “72-YEAR RULE”
The “72-Year Rule” mandates by law that Census records are restricted until 72 years after the information was collected. This ensures that the U.S. Government will not release any current identifiable information about any individual. For the purposes of research, genealogists have access to Census records from 1940. Census records from 1950 will be released in 2022.

WHAT IS GENETIC GENEALOGY?
Genetic genealogy is the use of DNA testing, in combination with traditional research, to study families, family history, and the tracing of lineages.

WHAT IS DNA?
DNA, or deoxyribonucleic acid, is genetic code. Every single person has their own unique strand of DNA, and it determines our physical traits. DNA is made up of parts of our parents and all of our ancestors before them.

HOW DOES DNA INFLUENCE GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH?
DNA can help solve mysteries in family history and confirm findings in traditional research. Although DNA is a useful tool, it is only one element of genealogical research.
ONLINE RESOURCES FOR GENEALOGY RESEARCH

Access these resources to begin researching your genealogy through birth, marriage, and death records, as well as obituaries, gravesites, newspaper articles, and more.

familysearch.org
FamilySearch is a nonprofit organization and website that offers free access to genealogical records, education, and software. FamilySearch has been gathering records for the purpose of genealogical research since 1894. FREE • AVAILABLE ONLINE

findagrave.com
Find a Grave is a free online database of cemetery records, collected through volunteer submission of photographs of headstones. Find a Grave has over 180 million records and has been gathering memorials since 1995. FREE • AVAILABLE ONLINE

wikitree.com
WikiTree is a free online collaborative family tree aimed at curating a single family tree through genealogical research and DNA. Since 2008, WikiTree has gathered 22 million records with 6 million DNA connections through 663,000+ genealogists. FREE • AVAILABLE ONLINE

kerncountylibrary.org/research
Access historical newspapers with Newspaper Archive, view more recent newspapers with access to the Bakersfield Californian and New York Times, and view local history in our historical photographs collection. FREE WITH A KERN LIBRARY CARD • AVAILABLE ONLINE

ancestry.com
Ancestry is an online for-profit company that operates a genealogical and genetics database. Ancestry offers free access to text records and free software for developing family trees. FREE LIMITED ACCESS

archives.gov
The National Archives is the U.S. Government’s collection of historical documents and makes them available for research. FREE • AVAILABLE ONLINE

Visit kernlibrary.org for more resources.
THE KERN COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
The Kern County Genealogical Society (KCGS) has been collecting and preserving genealogical records of Kern County since 1964.
• Educate the general public in all areas of genealogical research.
• Establish, conduct, and manage the genealogical library.
• Preserve, collect, and disseminate genealogical data and family histories worldwide.
Visit kerngenealogical.org to learn more and get involved.

5 IDEAS FOR PRESERVING & CELEBRATING YOUR FAMILY HISTORY
Get started! Begin researching, remembering, and preserving today!

1. Put together a scrapbook. Scrapbooks are handmade books full of pictures and memories for connecting with your family’s past. Discover scrapbooking workshops at your local Kern County Library.

2. Record a video. Interview family members about childhood memories and important life events.

3. Create a recipe book. Family recipes help you remember loved ones and connect with your family history. If you don’t have family recipes, consider gathering recipes your ancestors most likely used. Discover family recipe exchanges at your local Kern County Library.

4. Put together a pedigree chart. Collect existing records and begin your formal genealogical research into your family. Pick up a Pedigree Chart template at your local Kern County Library.

5. Write a memoir. Revisit your old journals and become an author. Memoirs draw upon your feelings, perceptions, and memories. Discover memoir workshops at your local Kern County Library.
FIND YOUR ROOTS: HOW TO GET STARTED
ENCUENTRA TUS RAICES
Learn how to get started with drafting your very own pedigree chart. Presented by the Kern County Genealogical Society.

BEALE  January - April  |  All Month  |  Except Thursdays

GENEALOGY TREASURES TOUR
TESOROS DE GENEALOGÍA
Take a tour to see what treasures are in the Genealogy Room at the Beale Memorial Library. Presented by the Kern County Genealogical Society.

BEALE  January - April  |  Mondays at 2pm

LINEAGE GROUPS 101
GRUPO DE LÍNAJE
Learn about what lineage groups do and how you can join one. Presented by the Kern County Genealogical Society.

BEALE  January - April  |  Tuesdays at 1pm

RESEARCH WORKSHOP: MEXICAN ANCESTRY
INVESTIGANDO TU ASCENDENCIA MEXICANA
Get assistance in searching your Mexican ancestry. Presented by the Kern County Genealogical Society.

BEALE  January - April  |  Fridays at 11am

A RIDGECREST LOCAL HISTORY WALKING TOUR
RECORRIDO HISTORIAL LOCAL DE RIDGECREST
Explore Ridgecrest’s history with this self-guided walking tour.

RIDGECREST  April  |  All Month

RESEARCH WORKSHOP: HOW TO READ A HISTORICAL CENSUS
COMO LEÉR UN CENSO HISTORIAL
Learn all of the elements of historical Census records. Presented by the Kern County Genealogical Society.

BEALE  Thu | Jan 9 | 2pm
BEALE  Thu | Feb 13 | 2pm

CASUAL CONVERSATION
CONVERSACIÓN CASUAL
Bring your lunch and join us for conversations, whether you are a beginner or an expert.

RIDGECREST  Sat | Jan 11 | 12:30pm  |  Genealogy
RIDGECREST  Sat | Mar 21 | 12:30pm  |  DNA Testing

GOOGLE YOUR ANCESTORS
BUSCA TU ANCESTRO CON GOOGLE
Use Google Maps and Google Earth to track your ancestors in this interactive workshop.

DELANO  Wed | Jan 15 | 5pm

WHAT CAN DNA TELL YOU?
QUE CUENTA EL ADN?
Learn what DNA is and what it can tell us about ourselves. Presented by the Kern County Genealogical Society.

BEALE  Thu | Jan 16 | 1pm
BEALE  Tue | Feb 6 | 1pm
BAKER  Mon | Apr 13 | 2pm

ANCESTRY WORKSHOP: LOCATE YOUR FAMILY IN PAST CENSUSES
COMO ENCONTRAR SU FAMILIA EN CENSOS PASADOS
Join us in learning how to read past Censuses for the purpose of genealogical research. Presented by the Kern County Genealogical Society.

BEALE  Thu | Jan 16 | 2pm
BEALE  Thu | Feb 20 | 2pm
THE JOURNEY OF THE WILLIAMS BROTHERS
EL CAMINO DE LOS HERMANOS WILLIAMS
Local attorney, Timothy Lemucchi, will take us along on an 1843 journey from Missouri to California through the stories, letters, and memories of his grandmother, Clara Engle Williams. Presented by the Kern County Genealogical Society.
BEALE Thu | Jan 21 | 1pm

A HISTORY OF KERN COUNTY IN POST CARDS
UN HISTORIAL DE EL CONDADO DE KERN EN TARJETAS POSTALES
Presented by the Shafter Historical Society.
SHAFTER Tue | Feb 18 | 6pm

GENEALOGY PRESENTATION WITH DEE AND WALTER SLADE
PRESENTACIÓN GENEALOGICAL CON DEE Y WALTER SLADE
Presented by the Kern County Genealogical Society.
BEALE Tue | Feb 18 | 1pm

GENEALOGY WORKSHOP
CLASE DE GENEALOGIA
Learn about different ways to use technology to trace your family history, including through historical U.S. Censuses.
DELANO Wed | Feb 19 | 5pm
DELANO Thu | Mar 26 | 5:30pm
DELANO Wed | Apr 8 | 5:30pm
ROSAMOND Sat | Apr 11 | 2pm
TAFT Tue | Apr 14 | 5:30pm
BORON Wed | Apr 15 | 5pm

A HISTORICAL REVIEW OF SHAFTER AND THE SHAFTER DEPOT
UNA REVISION HISTORIAL DE SHAFTER Y SHAFTER DEPOT
Presented by the Shafter Historical Society.
SHAFTER Tue | Mar 17 | 6pm

ANCESTRY SCIENCE: HOW DNA CAN HELP YOU FIND YOUR ROOTS
COMO EL ADN NOS AYUDA A ENCONTRAR NUESTRAS RAICES?
Today’s science lets us reach even further back in our research. Learn how we can use DNA to see a person’s ancestry. Presented by the Kern County Genealogical Society.
BEALE Thu | Mar 26 | 2pm
BEALE Thu | Apr 23 | 2pm

REMINISCING LOCAL HISTORY
RECORDANDO LA HISTORIA LOCAL
Join us for a film screening of “Somewhere on the Edge of Nowhere,” followed by time for us to reminisce with pictures and stories of Ridgecrest in the “good ol’ days.”
RIDGECREST Sat | Apr 18 | 2:30pm

A HISTORY OF SHAFTER IN PLAYING CARDS
UN HISTORIAL DE SHAFTER EN TARJETAS DE JUEGO
Presented by the Shafter Historical Society.
SHAFTER Tue | Apr 21 | 6pm
Celebrating families and the American Dream, the tradition of the every-decade Census, and the search of learning more about our families in genealogical research -- all from your living room!

PLAN A MOVIE NIGHT
PLANEA UNA NOCHE DE PELICULA

Celebrate families and the American Dream, the tradition of the every-decade Census, and the search of learning more about our families in genealogical research -- all from your living room!

- An American Tail (1986)
- The Census Taker (1984)
- Who Do You Think You Are?

READ A STORY
LEE UN CUENTO

Check out titles celebrating our family members, about the role of the census in fictional and non-fictional stories, and how to get started on genealogical research.

- Who’s Who In My Family? by Robie H. Harris
- Census by Jesse Ball
- The Sleuth Book for Genealogists by Emily Anne Croom

JOIN THE CENSUS READING CHALLENGE
Challenge yourself to read during the 2020 Census. Track reading, participate in activities, win digital badges, and more!

Sign up for the challenge at your local Library branch or online.

Register using
Use Beanstack to track reading online or with the mobile app.

CENSUS READING CHALLENGE
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Complete your Census form online at the kiosk nearest you.

FOR THE MOST UP-TO-DATE KIOSK LOCATIONS, as well as community kiosk locations, visit KernCounts.org