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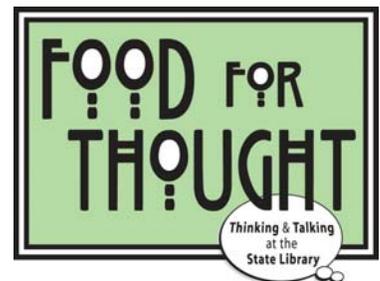
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**California State Library's second *Food for Thought* event October 16th
to focus on strong communities**

Sacramento – The California State Library has announced that the second event in its new cultural evening series, *Food for Thought, Thinking and Talking at the California State Library*, will be October 16th. *Food for Thought*, which includes free food and wine, will continue every third Thursday of the month from 5:30 to 8:30 pm.

This month's movie will build on the only positive message included in last month's movie: that even just one person's actions can make a community better. Starring Helen Hunt and Kevin Spacey, the October movie tells the tale of troubled characters living in today's world. It compellingly illustrates the powerful, ripple effect an individual's good works can have on the larger society. The post-movie conversation will focus on the definition, role, and importance of strong communities in a democracy.

The California State Library has launched *Food for Thought* because a healthy democracy, of which libraries are the bedrock, requires that people talk freely about ideas and issues: *Food for Thought* is a forum for that civilized discourse. By ensuring that California's people stay intellectually invigorated, the California State Library is taking an active role as a positive shaper of the future of this great state. Its monthly *Food for Thought* evenings will remind busy Sacramento audiences that we all need to slow down enough to consider and discuss the issues that are shaping our collective future, so that we can build a preferred tomorrow.



In addition to the movie, the evening includes a wine and appetizer reception sponsored by the California State Library Foundation, and a post-movie, facilitated discussion among audience members regarding the film's potent message for communities.

Food for Thought will be held from 5:30 to 8:30 pm in historic Room 500 on the 5th floor of the Stanley Mosk Library and Courts Building at 914 Capitol Mall in Sacramento. Doors open at 5:30. The movie shows at 6:00 with time for discussion afterward. Metered parking is free after 6:00 pm and the event is 2 blocks from Light Rail. Space is limited. Attendees must RSVP to akwong@library.ca.gov to ensure a seat.

Food for Thought is made possible by generous donations from the California State Library Foundation. For more information, please contact Sarah Dalton, Public Information Officer, at (916) 654-1483 or email at sdalton@library.ca.gov.

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