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Clerk-Recorder's 2nd Annual Passport Day Results in **Great Success for Busy Families and Individuals**

This past Saturday, the Orange County Clerk-Recorder Department hosted its 2nd Annual Passport Day at the Old County Courthouse in Santa Ana. During this event, the department accepted 179 passport applications and took 114 passport photos. This represents a 113% increase in the number of passport applications accepted and an 87% increase in the number of passport photos taken during the department's 1st Annual Passport Day last year.

The turnout was great and most notably lots of families with children took advantage of this year's Passport Day. Families and individuals were lining up for the event an hour ahead of opening time. Holding the event on a Saturday makes the passport application process easier for parents, as both parents must be present to obtain a passport for children younger than 16.

"It gives me great pleasure to personally see all the families who turned out for this event," Clerk-Recorder Hugh Nguyen said. "We are here to make it easier for these families and individuals to obtain the services that they need and I really appreciate the turnout and our staff for coming on a Saturday and doing a great job."

The department held its 1st Annual Passport Day last year at the Old County Courthouse. Last year, the department accepted 84 passport applications and took 61 passport photos. The department's 2nd Annual Passport Day is a record setting day for number of passport applications accepted and photos taken during a Saturday opening. Clerk-Recorder Hugh Nguyen is excited to host next year's Passport Day and looks forward to continue meeting the public's demand for passport services.

If you still need to get a passport and can't make it during normal operating hours, your next opportunities will be Saturday, April 21, 2018 and Saturday, May 19, 2018. The department will be hosting its once-a-month special Saturday openings on those dates. The public will have the opportunity to apply for a passport, obtain a marriage license, have a civil marriage ceremony performed or obtain vital records. Please visit us at OCRecorder.com for more detailed information and locations.

To learn more about the Orange County Clerk-Recorder Department or to make an appointment for one of the department's special Saturday openings, please visit us at OCRecorder.com.

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