



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
December 14, 2015

Contact: Laura Jesse
210.335.0073/o
210.787.9038/m

BiblioTech, Joint Base San Antonio partner to enhance military library services

County Judge Nelson Wolff, Commissioner Kevin Wolff and BiblioTech staff on Monday delivered 50 e-readers to the Keith A. Campbell Memorial Library on Joint Base San Antonio - Fort Sam Houston under an agreement to provide the all-digital library's services to local military families stationed at Fort Sam Houston, Randolph and Lackland.

Under the agreement approved in October, Bexar County will provide to the JBSA libraries 150 Nook e-readers total, a BiblioTech Discovery Terminal kiosk for each of the three libraries, and other digital resources to enhance the military libraries' services. This is the first agreement of its kind in the Department of Defense.

BiblioTech staff also will train JBSA library personnel and schedule at least three special programming events each quarter at the libraries. Military service members and their dependents who have library privileges at one of the three libraries are eligible to register for a free BiblioTech library card and begin using the online services at www.bexarbibliotech.org. The Joint Base San Antonio libraries also will have the e-readers available for external circulation.

"It is important for us to remind service members who are stationed here but serving overseas that these BiblioTech resources are available to them wherever they are in the world," County Judge Nelson Wolff said.

Since opening in September 2013 on the South Side, BiblioTech has expanded to include a satellite location in the basement of the Cadena-Reeves Justice Center in Downtown, a new full service branch on the West Side, and a presence in the Warrior & Family Support Center on Fort Sam Houston. The library services also are available in more than 50 school libraries. A third full service branch will open next fall on the East Side.

###