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### **City Announces Library Energy Challenge Winners**

El Paso, Texas – The City of El Paso’s Economic Development & Sustainability Division is excited to announce the overall winners for the 2012 Library Energy Challenge.

It was a close challenge with Irving Schwartz Library branch (1865 Dean Martin Dr.) receiving First Place for reducing their energy usage by 19%. Meanwhile, the Jose Cisneros Cielo Vista Library branch (1300 Hawkins Blvd.) reduced their energy by 18%. Both library branches achieved these reductions by:

- Ensuring lights were turned off in unoccupied areas
- Turning off all non-essential lights in occupied areas
- Setting “sleep” and “hibernate” settings on all staff and public computers during the day, and shutting them off at night
- Locking meeting rooms that were not being used
- Adjust thermostat settings a little higher in the summer
- Opening windows during the day, allowing natural daylight to light spaces where possible

These library branches will be recognized for their efforts with a plaque and a cash award. The Irving Schwartz Library will be awarded \$500 to use toward improvements for their library, while the José Cisneros Cielo Vista Library will be given \$150 to use toward improvements for their library.



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The public is invited to attend recognition ceremonies for both libraries.

### Library Energy Challenge Celebrations

Irving Schwartz Library – 1<sup>st</sup> Place  
Date: Wednesday, February 13, 2013  
Time: 12:00 p.m.

José Cisneros Cielo Vista Library  
Date: Thursday, February 21, 2013  
Time: 12:00 p.m.

*Refreshments will be available at both celebrations.*

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