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FILMING REMAINS ROBUST IN SANTA CLARITA

Santa Clarita had a robust year of location filming in Fiscal Year 2016-2017 (July 2016-June 2017) with the Film Office recording 545 film permits and 1,265 location film days, which generated an estimated economic impact of \$30.1 million to the local community.

This is the fourth fiscal year in a row the Film Office has recorded more than 500 permits and the estimated economic impact generated from location filming has reached \$30 million or more. Not included in the reported numbers are the film days and economic benefit from filming that takes place on certified sound stages, which does not require a film permit.

More than half of the filming days for FY 2016-2017 were attributed to television production alone, many of which were from local Santa Clarita based shows which included "Atypical," "Ballers," "The Guest Book," "Mistresses," "MythBusters," "NCIS," "Santa Clarita Diet," "Shooter," "Shut Eye," "Stitchers" and "Ultimate Beastmaster."

Other television shows that filmed on location in Santa Clarita last fiscal year included "Agents of S.H.I.E.L.D.," "American Crime," "Animal Kingdom," "Baskets," "Brooklyn Nine-Nine" "Cesar Milan's Dog Nation," "Criminal Minds," "Criminal Minds: Beyond Borders," "Drunk History," "Fear Factor," "Grey's Anatomy," "The Last Man on Earth," "The Last Ship," "Mayans MC," "NCIS: Los Angeles," "Ray Donovan," "Scorpion," "Sharp Objects," "Storage Wars," "Teen Wolf," "Transparent," "VEEP" and many more.

TV shows aren't the only productions taking advantage of Santa Clarita as a film location. Many movies were also shot in the City last fiscal year including *A Star is Born*, *A Wrinkle in Time*, *All-*

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Star Weekend, The Female Brain, Fighting with My Family, Gone Are the Days, Inner City, The Lovers, Magic Camp, Miles, #REALITYHIGH, Villa Capri and more in addition to multiple music videos, a plethora of online content and lots and lots of commercials.

Many factors have contributed to the continued success and appeal of filming in Santa Clarita, including the City's Film Incentive Program and Movie Ranch Overlay Zone along with the California Film and Television Tax Credit Program that is working successfully to keep production in the state.

"Being a film-friendly city is a priority for the City Council as filming is such a great contributor to our local economy and provides many quality jobs for our residents," said Mayor Cameron Smyth. "Film and television production has deep roots in the Santa Clarita Valley and to see production return year after year at such a significant rate is a testament to the quality and character of our community."

Santa Clarita continues to be one of the most filmed places in California because it's located within the industry's well-known 30-Mile Zone and offers thousands of film-friendly locations that can double for almost anywhere in the world. In addition, Santa Clarita has more than 20 sound stages, more than 10 movie ranches, a one-stop shop Film Office, and some of the lowest film permitting fees in the Los Angeles area.

For more information about filming in Santa Clarita, please visit FilmSantaClarita.com or contact the Film Office at (661) 284-1425. For an insider's view to filming in Santa Clarita, follow the Santa Clarita Film Office on Instagram (@FilmSantaClarita).

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