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City Public Libraries and The Great Khalid Foundation Launch Mother's Day Essay Contest

EL PASO, Texas — The El Paso Public Libraries is partnering with The Great Khalid Foundation to host an essay contest that honors moms or maternal figures in celebration of Mother's Day.

The contest is open to students between the ages of 5 to 18. The contest is simple: Write an original essay of fewer than two pages explaining "I love my mom because..."

"Mother's Day is one of our most popular holidays here in the Borderland," said El Paso Public Libraries Director Norma Martinez. "We're excited to partner with the Great Khalid Foundation to help honor moms on their very special day."

Participants can write about their mother or mother figures such grandmothers, aunts, older sisters, or others who have served as a motherly influence. The contest is free to enter.

The essay may be written in English or Spanish. The deadline to enter an essay is 6 p.m., Friday, April 28. Contest winners will be awarded a luxurious prize package to give to mom for Mother's Day.

Complete rules, as well as entry forms, are available at all branch libraries or can be downloaded on the Public Library website www.elpasolibrary.org.

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