

May 11th at 7:00 pm

(Budget Hearing at the High School Auditorium)

May 19th from 7:00 am to 9:00 pm (Budget Vote at School)



Yes, It's YOUR Library!

OUR COMMUNITY uses the library every day!

- ◆ At least one library card is renewed or issued every day.
- ◆ We had **14,079** registered patrons in 2014 , a 7.1% increase over 2013.**
- ◆ **YOU** attended **2,511** programs for a total attendance of **39,339** in 2014, an **11.7%** increase in attendance over 2013.**
- ◆ New families make the library their first stop in Westhampton, Westhampton Beach and Quogue.
- ◆ **YOU** use the library **seven** days a week.
- ◆ **YOU** take out more books, CDs, DVDs and attend more programs than you did last year.
- ◆ There were **218,906** material transactions in 2014.
- ◆ **YOU** visited the library **171,531** times in 2014.

We are continuing to extend our hours of operation to serve **YOU** more through the summer, beginning after Memorial Day through Labor Day.

◆ **Did You Know?**

- ◆ Public Libraries are the number one point of access for people without internet connections at home, school or work* (**YOUR** library has free Wi-Fi)
- ◆ More than 65% of public libraries provide services for job seekers* (**YOUR** library has upcoming career and business related programs. Check our newsletters!)
- ◆ Americans go to public, school and academic libraries nearly three times more often than they go to the movies* (**YOUR** Library has **14,286** video titles)**
- ◆ Reference librarians in the nation's public and academic libraries answer nearly 5.7 million questions weekly. Standing single file, the line of questioners would span from Long Island, New York to Juneau, Alaska* (**YOUR** library answered **27,141** questions in 2014)**

*Source: ALA office for Research & Statistics; ALA Public Information Office.

**Source: NYS Report 2014 and 2013

	2014-15 Adopted	2015-16 Proposed	% Change
Revenues:			
Tax Revenues:			
Debt	585,130	588,630	0.60%
Westhampton Beach Tax Revenue	1,516,731	1,569,726	3.49%
Total Tax	2,101,861	2,158,356	2.69%
Operating Revenues:			
Contracts with other districts	555,000	601,000	8.29%
Payments in lieu of taxes	8,250	8,250	0.00%
Library Incentive Aid/Other State Aid and Grants	3,750	3,750	0.00%
Gifts and Donations/Friends Donations	22,000	25,000	13.64%
Interest income	15,000	20,000	33.33%
Copier income	6,000	6,000	0.00%
Total Operating Revenues	610,000	664,000	8.85%
Non-Operating Revenue:			
Transfer from prior year surplus	0	17,000	
Total Revenues	2,711,861	2,839,356	4.70%
Expenditures:			
Salaries and Benefits:			
Salaries	1,159,008	1,212,744	4.64%
Fixed Charges and Benefits	328,785	324,568	-1.28%
Total Salaries and Benefits	1,487,793	1,537,312	3.33%
Library Materials and Programs:			
Books and Materials	216,000	216,500	0.23%
Programs	80,000	109,500	36.88%
Total Library Materials and Programs	296,000	326,000	10.14%
Library Operations:			
SCLS basic service fee	22,000	22,500	2.27%
Office and library supplies	19,000	21,500	13.16%
PALS - automation	16,000	20,000	25.00%
Photocopier rental, repair and maintenance	17,000	17,000	0.00%
Printing and publicity	27,500	22,000	-20.00%
Postage	10,750	10,750	0.00%
Professional fees - audit and legal	15,500	15,500	0.00%
Professional fees - payroll service	11,000	12,000	9.09%
Professional fees - tech support	1,000	1,000	0.00%
Professional fees - support and other	1,000	1,000	0.00%
Software	4,000	5,000	25.00%
Marketing and promotion	3,500	27,000	671.43%
Telephone	5,000	5,000	0.00%
Telecommunications	2,750	2,750	0.00%
Conferences and travel	22,000	22,000	0.00%
Professional memberships	3,000	3,000	0.00%
Administration classes	1,000	1,500	50.00%
Media licenses	250	250	0.00%
Miscellaneous expense	2,000	3,000	50.00%

	2014-15	2015-16	%
	Adopted	Proposed	Change
Total Library Operations	184,250	212,750	15.47%
Building Operations:			
Building repairs and maintenance	28,000	30,000	7.14%
Janatorial services	44,928	48,914	8.87%
Landscaping	6,500	6,500	0.00%
Electricity	36,000	39,000	8.33%
Insurance	29,260	30,000	2.53%
Gas/fuel	3,500	4,000	14.29%
Water and sewer	2,000	2,250	12.50%
Security	2,000	2,000	0.00%
Garbage removal	1,750	2,250	28.57%
Custodial supplies	4,750	4,750	0.00%
Total Building Operations	158,688	169,664	6.92%
Capital Outlay:			
Building improvements	0	0	
Furniture and equipment	0	5,000	
Total Capital Outlay	0	5,000	
Debt Service:			
Total Debt Service	585,130	588,630	0.60%
Total Expenditures	2,711,861	2,839,356	4.70%

THE FULL MARKET VALUATION OF THE WESTHAMPTON FREE LIBRARY FOR THE **2014-2015** TAX YEAR WAS **\$4,340,818,466** and TAX RATE PER \$1000 was **.4840**

WE ESTIMATE FOR THE **2015-2016** YEAR, THE FULL MARKET VALUATION OF THE WESTHAMPTON FREE LIBRARY WILL BE **\$4,262,683,734** and THE ESTIMATED TAX RATE PER \$1000 is **.5063 ***

*tax rate estimate was not provided by the Town of Southampton for the 2015-16 year.

On a house assessed at \$500,000

	2014-15	2015-16
Year	\$242.00	\$253.17
Monthly	\$20.17	\$21.10
Day	\$0.67	\$0.70

Total difference of \$11.17 per year, \$.93 per month or \$.03 per day

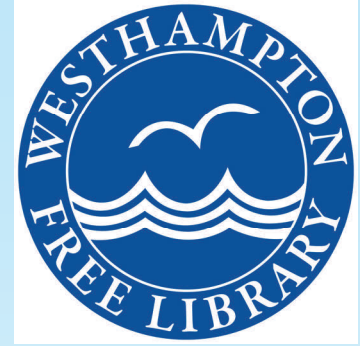
Please note the tax levy limit for the year 2015-16 from the Office of the State Comptroller is \$2,158,685 for the Westhampton Free Library. The proposed budget is \$2,158,356 for the 2015-16 year for the Westhampton Free Library. The proposed budget is below the tax cap levy limit by \$329.00. The levy limit is composed of the tax base growth factor of 1.0106 and the allowable levy growth factor of 1.0162 for a total allowable levy increase of \$56,824 to remain under the tax cap.*

* Real Property Tax Cap Form from the Office of the State Comptroller



News from the Director

The Westhampton Free Library is **YOUR** community center!



- ◆ **YOUR** library is THE destination!
- ◆ **YOUR** library connects you with your digital device.
- ◆ **YOUR** library is the place to connect with your neighbors.
- ◆ **YOUR** library gives your child the tools to grow.
- ◆ **YOUR** library is who you think we are and much, much more!
- ◆ **YOUR** library is full of possibilities!
- ◆ **YOUR** vote allows us to offer more education programs, as well as career and business related events such as:
 - ◆ Universal Class is an online education, distance learning service that the library offers at no cost via the library's website. You attend class and do assignments on your schedule. Each course has an instructor who communicates with students using e-mail. These courses are non-credited but for personal enrichment. You have access 24x7 via the Internet.
 - ◆ Our Literacy Outreach Project (Composed of four forms of literacy including early childhood literacy, adult literacy, digital literacy and financial literacy for teens).
 - ◆ Access to electronic books and resources such as Live-brary, a one stop portal for your electronic downloads and resources to support the educational needs of your family.

Comments from **YOUR** Community about **YOUR** Library:

"By far the best library experience!"

"Always a friendly face and willingness to help fill our needs."

"When my daughter was young, she participated in the summer book clubs and in several arts and crafts activities. She loved them all. She is now 22, and still enjoys the library."

YOUR Community Connection

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