

BUDGET INFORMATIONAL ISSUE / ANNUAL REPORT Important Dates:

**May 2016
Annual Report**

May 9th at 7:00 pm

(Budget Hearing at the High School Library)

May 17th from 7:00 am to 9:00 pm (Budget Vote at School)

Discover, Connect, Inspire!



Far more than you expect...

- ◆ At least one library card is renewed or issued every day.
- ◆ We had **13,468** registered patrons in 2015.**
- ◆ There were **3,065** programs for patrons to enjoy! The total attendance of all programs was **42,638** in 2015, an **8.3%** increase in attendance over 2014.**
- ◆ New families and new residents make the library their first stop in Westhampton, Westhampton Beach and Quiogue.
- ◆ The Library is open **seven** days a week (not including holidays).
- ◆ There were **206,888** material transactions in 2015. This includes **13,637** electronic material transactions, an increase of **36%** in electronic material transactions over 2014.**
- ◆ **Patrons** visited the library **159,043** times in 2015.**
- ◆ The Library will be renovating existing unused space utilizing donation funds from Ann Skovek in the near future. We hope you will join the conversations as they are scheduled to discuss the future of this project (No additional money will be collected from the taxpayers for this project.)

Did You Know?

- ◆ Public libraries are the number one point of access for people without Internet connections at home, school or work.* (The Library has free Wi-Fi.)
- ◆ More than 65% of public libraries provide services for job seekers.* (The 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.* (The Library has **15,690** video titles and streaming access through **Hoopla**.**)
- ◆ 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.* (Librarians have answered **21,141** questions in 2015.**)

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

**Source: NYS Report 2015 and 2014

	2015-16 Adopted	2016-17 Proposed	% Change
Revenues:			
Tax Revenues:			
Debt	588,630	586,130	-0.42%
Westhampton Beach Tax Revenue	1,569,726	1,595,268	1.63%
Total Tax	2,158,356	2,181,398	1.07%
Operating Revenues:			
Contracts with other districts	601,000	635,000	5.66%
Payments in lieu of taxes	8,250	8,115	-1.64%
Library Incentive Aid/Other State Aid and Grants	3,750	3,150	-16.00%
Gifts and Donations/Friends Donations	25,000	25,000	0.00%
Interest income	20,000	21,500	7.50%
Copier income	6,000	7,000	16.67%
Total Operating Revenues	664,000	699,765	5.39%
Non-Operating Revenue:			
Transfer from prior year's surplus	17,000	15,000	-11.76%
Total Revenues	2,839,356	2,896,163	2.00%
Expenditures:			
Salaries and Benefits:			
Salaries	1,212,744	1,215,618	0.24%
Fixed Charges and Benefits	324,568	340,837	5.01%
Total Salaries and Benefits	1,537,312	1,556,455	1.25%
Library Materials and Programs:			
Books and Materials	216,500	225,000	3.93%
Programs	109,500	108,000	-1.37%
Total Library Materials and Programs	326,000	333,000	2.15%
Library Operations:			
SCLS basic service fee	22,500	19,000	-15.56%
Office and library supplies	21,500	27,000	25.58%
PALS - automation	20,000	16,000	-20.00%
Photocopier rental, repair and maintenance	17,000	17,200	1.18%
Printing and publicity	22,000	25,500	15.91%
Postage	10,750	10,750	0.00%
Professional fees - audit and legal	15,500	40,000	158.06%
Professional fees - payroll service	12,000	14,000	16.67%
Professional fees - tech support	1,000	1,000	0.00%
Professional fees - support and other	1,000	1,000	0.00%
Software	5,000	7,000	40.00%
Marketing and promotion	27,000	22,000	-18.52%
Telephone	5,000	5,000	0.00%
Telecommunications	2,750	3,000	9.09%
Conferences and travel	22,000	22,000	0.00%
Professional memberships	3,000	3,000	0.00%
Administration classes	1,500	1,500	0.00%
Media licenses	250	275	10.00%
Miscellaneous expense	3,000	4,000	33.33%

	2015-16	2016-17	%
	Adopted	Proposed	Change
Total Library Operations	212,750	239,225	12.44%
Building Operations:			
Building repairs and maintenance	30,000	32,000	6.67%
Janitorial services	48,914	49,403	1.00%
Landscaping	6,500	8,000	23.08%
Electricity	39,000	38,000	-2.56%
Insurance	30,000	32,000	6.67%
Gas/fuel	4,000	4,000	0.00%
Water and sewer	2,250	1,600	-28.89%
Security	2,000	2,100	5.00%
Garbage removal	2,250	2,250	0.00%
Custodial supplies	4,750	7,000	47.37%
Total Building Operations	169,664	176,353	3.94%
Capital Outlay:			
Building improvements	0	0	
Furniture and equipment	5,000	5,000	
Total Capital Outlay	5,000	5,000	
Debt Service:			
Total Debt Service	588,630	586,130	-0.42%
Total Expenditures	2,839,356	2,896,163	2.00%

THE FULL MARKET VALUATION OF THE WESTHAMPTON FREE LIBRARY FOR

THE **2015-16** TAX YEAR WAS **\$4,445,222,294**

and TAX RATE PER \$1000 was **.4851**

WE ESTIMATE FOR THE **2016-2017** YEAR, THE FULL MARKET VALUATION

OF THE WESTHAMPTON FREE LIBRARY WILL BE **\$4,400,770,071**

and THE ESTIMATED TAX RATE PER \$1000 is **.4957***

*tax rate estimate was not provided by the Town of Southampton for the 2016-17 year.

On a house assessed at \$500,0000

			2015-16	2016-17
Year			\$ 242.55	\$ 247.84
Monthly			\$ 20.21	\$ 20.65

Total difference of \$5.29 per year, \$.44 per month

Please note the tax levy limit for the year 2016-17 from the Office of the State Comptroller is \$2,184,974 for the Westhampton Free Library. The proposed budget is \$2,181,398 for the 2016-17 year for the Westhampton Free Library. The proposed budget is below the tax cap levy limit by \$3,576. The levy limit is composed of the tax base growth factor of 1.0109 and the allowable levy growth factor of 1.0012 for a total allowable levy increase of \$26,618 to remain under the tax cap.*

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

WESTHAMPTON FREE LIBRARY

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HOURS

Monday through Friday 9:30am —9:00pm
Saturday 9:30am —5:00pm
Sunday 12:00pm —4:00pm

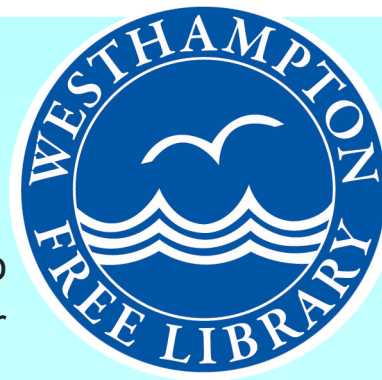
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Westhampton Free Library is *THE* destination!

Libraries store the energy that fuels the imagination. They open up windows to the world and inspire us to explore and achieve, and contribute to improving our quality of life.

—Sidney Sheldon



- ◆ **The Library** connects you with your digital device.
- ◆ **The Library** is the place to connect with your neighbors.
- ◆ **The Library** gives your child the tools to grow.
- ◆ **The Library** is who you think we are and much, much more!
- ◆ **The Library** is full of possibilities to explore the world’s knowledge.
- ◆ **Patron support** 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.
 - ◆ Museum passes to various local museums, discounted Aquarium tickets, streaming access to TV Shows and Movies through Hoopla.
 - ◆ 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 neighbors about the Westhampton Free Library:

“We very much appreciate the wonderful services and programs the library offers and especially commend the exceptional library staff! Thank you!

“Whenever I have needed help, the librarians have been both friendly and helpful. Kudos!”

“I love this Library!”