

Important Dates:

May 13th at 7:00 pm

Budget Hearing at the High School Library

May 21st from 7:00 am to 9:00 pm

Budget Vote at High School LGI



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Year in Review

Westhampton Free Library
2022 - 2023



29,000

Website Visits



4,267

Computer Sessions



10,149

Wireless Sessions



88,727

Electronic Items
Circulated



10,790

Reference Transactions

80,538

Visits to the Library

61,558

Physical Items
Circulated



1,659

Annual Service Hours



40,272

Program Attendance

150,295

Items Circulated

4,972

Number of Programs

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	2023-24 Adopted	2024-25 Proposed	% Change
Revenues:			
Tax Revenues:			
Debt	540,650	541,450	0.15%
Westhampton Beach Tax Revenue	2,009,543	2,091,798	4.09%
Total Tax	2,550,193	2,633,248	3.26%
Operating Revenues:			
Contracts with other districts	870,000	895,000	2.87%
Payments in lieu of taxes	11,111	14,000	26.00%
Library Incentive Aid/Other State Aid and Grants	2,700	2,700	0.00%
Gifts and Donations/Friends Donations	13,500	15,500	14.81%
Interest income	2,000	2,000	0.00%
Copier income	6,500	6,500	0.00%
Adult Program Income	40,000	45,000	12.50%
Reimbursement Income	2,500	2,500	0.00%
Total Operating Revenues	948,311	983,200	3.68%
Non-Operating Revenue:			
Transfer from prior year surplus	45,000	65,000	
Total Revenues	3,543,504	3,681,448	3.89%
Expenditures:			
Salaries and Benefits:			
Salaries	1,642,249	1,686,298	2.68%
Fixed Charges and Benefits	591,351	648,286	9.63%
Total Salaries and Benefits	2,233,600	2,334,584	4.52%
Library Materials and Programs:			
Books and Materials	178,250	191,250	7.29%
Programs	114,000	118,000	3.51%
Total Library Materials and Programs	292,250	309,250	5.82%
Library Operations:			
SCLS basic service fee	26,550	32,000	20.53%
Office and library supplies	23,000	23,000	0.00%
PALS - automation	17,500	19,000	8.57%
Photocopier rental, repair and maintenance	23,000	23,000	0.00%
Printing and publicity	30,000	33,000	10.00%
Postage	12,000	12,000	0.00%
Professional fees - audit and legal	16,500	18,000	9.09%
Professional fees - payroll service	16,500	18,000	9.09%
Professional fees - tech support	500	500	0.00%
Professional fees - support and other	900	900	0.00%
Software	15,000	15,000	0.00%
Marketing and promotion	24,000	24,000	0.00%
Hardware	2,250	2,250	0.00%
Telecommunications	12,250	15,000	22.45%

	2023-24 Adopted	2024-25 Proposed	% Change
Conferences and travel	18,000	15,000	-16.67%
Professional memberships	4,000	4,000	0.00%
Administration classes	3,000	3,000	0.00%
Media licenses	1,000	1,000	0.00%
Miscellaneous expenses	3,750	3,750	0.00%
Total Library Operations	249,700	262,400	5.09%
Building Operations:			
Building repairs and maintenance	44,250	46,000	3.95%
Janitorial services	63,654	65,564	3.00%
Landscaping	8,200	9,000	9.76%
Electricity	45,000	45,000	0.00%
Insurance	43,000	45,000	4.65%
Gas/fuel	6,500	6,500	0.00%
Water and sewer	3,000	3,000	0.00%
Security	3,500	3,500	0.00%
Garbage removal	4,200	4,200	0.00%
Custodial supplies	4,500	4,500	0.00%
Total Building Operations	225,804	232,264	2.86%
Capital Outlay:			
Building improvements/Capital Fund	1,500	1,500	0.00%
Total Capital Outlay	1,500	1,500	0.00%
Debt Service:			
Total Debt Service	540,650	541,450	0.15%
Total Expenditures	3,543,504	3,681,448	3.89%

THE FULL MARKET VALUATION OF THE WESTHAMPTON FREE LIBRARY FOR THE **2023-24** TAX YEAR WAS **\$5,537,375,712** and TAX RATE PER \$1000 was **.4604**

WE ESTIMATE FOR THE **2024-25** YEAR, THE FULL MARKET VALUATION OF THE WESTHAMPTON FREE LIBRARY WILL BE **\$5,565,062,591**

and THE ESTIMATED TAX RATE PER \$1000 is **.4732***

*tax rate estimate was not provided by the Town of Southampton for the 2024-25 year.

On a house assessed at \$500,0000

		<u>2023-24</u>	<u>2024-25</u>
Year		\$ 230.20	\$ 236.59
Monthly		\$ 19.18	\$ 19.72

Total difference of \$6.39 per year, \$.54 per month

Please note the tax levy limit for the year 2024-25 from the Office of the State Comptroller is \$2,634,204 for the Westhampton Free Library. The proposed levy is \$2,633,248 for the 2024-25 year for the Westhampton Free Library. The proposed levy is below the tax cap levy limit by \$956. The levy limit is composed of the tax base growth factor of 1.0135 and the allowable levy growth factor of 1.0200 for a total allowable levy increase of \$83,055 to remain under the tax cap.*

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

Westhampton Free Library is *THE* destination!



- ◆ **The Library** connects you with your digital device.
- ◆ **The Library** gives your child the tools to grow.
- ◆ **The Library** is the place to connect with your neighbors.
- ◆ **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 and Lynda.com are online education, and distance learning services that the library offers at no cost via the library's website. You attend class and do assignments on your schedule. These courses are non-credited but for personal enrichment. You have access 24x7 via the Internet.
- ◆ Streaming access to TV shows and movies through Hoopla and Kanopy. We are always looking to add more museum passes to our collection each year to give you access to more museums. A portion of the museum passes is paid through the generosity of the Friends of the Westhampton Free Library. If you are not a member of the Friends of the Library, join today!
- ◆ 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.
- ◆ Zoom programs continued to offer patrons the option of attending virtual or in person.
- ◆ Passport and Notary Services to fulfill patron needs.
- ◆ Recreational events such as Kids on the Green, Gazebo Concerts, and Movies on the Great Lawn. We thank our generous sponsors and the Friends of the Westhampton Free Library who assist us with offsetting the costs of these programs.

Comments from your neighbors about the Westhampton Free Library:

"I love my Library and am grateful to All of you at Westhampton Free Library for your service to our community."

"I love this library! Wonderful selection of books that perhaps I never would have chosen had it not been for your suggestions by way of your book sections. There is always someone ready to assist you."

"Very nice library, and pleasant staff. "

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