

WESTHAMPTON FREE LIBRARY
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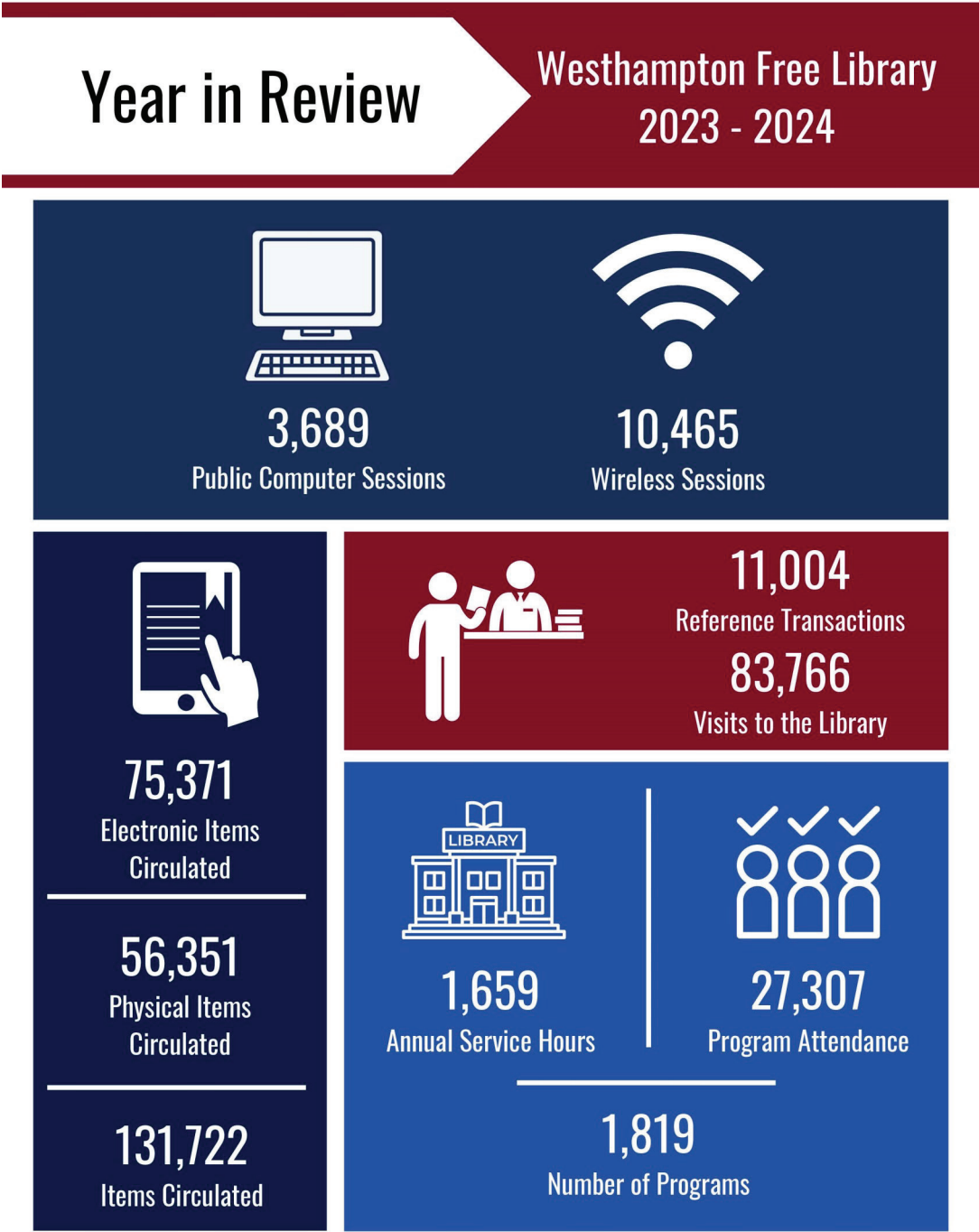
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BUDGET INFORMATIONAL ISSUE/ANNUAL REPORT
Important Dates:
May 12th at 7:00 pm
Budget Hearing at the High School Library
May 20st from 7:00 am to 9:00 pm
Budget Vote at High School LGI

**May 2025
Annual Report**



Discover, Connect, Inspire!



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:

"The Westhampton Free Library is absolutely the best library I have ever had the pleasure of belonging to.

Thanks to all who work here."

"Thanks for all your help! Westhampton Library is the best library in the country!"

"Very nice library, and pleasant staff. "

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	2024-25 Adopted	2025-26 Proposed	% Change
Revenues:			
Tax Revenues:			
Debt	541,450	541,450	0.00%
Westhampton Beach Tax Revenue	2,091,798	2,184,795	4.45%
Total Tax	2,633,248	2,726,245	3.53%
Operating Revenues:			
Contracts with other districts	895,000	905,000	1.12%
Payments in lieu of taxes	14,000	14,000	0.00%
Library Incentive Aid/Other State Aid and Gifts and Donations/Friends Donations	2,700	2,700	0.00%
Interest income	15,500	20,000	29.03%
Copier income	2,000	14,000	600.00%
Adult Program Income	6,500	6,500	0.00%
Reimbursement Income	45,000	50,000	11.11%
Total Operating Revenues	2,500	2,500	0.00%
	983,200	1,014,700	3.20%
Non-Operating Revenue:			
Transfer from prior year surplus	65,000	62,750	
Total Revenues	3,681,448	3,803,695	3.32%
Expenditures:			
Salaries and Benefits:			
Salaries	1,686,298	1,783,250	5.75%
Fixed Charges and Benefits	648,286	664,114	2.44%
Total Salaries and Benefits	2,334,584	2,447,364	4.83%
Library Materials and Programs:			
Books and Materials	191,250	196,250	2.61%
Programs	118,000	118,000	0.00%
Total Library Materials and Programs	309,250	314,250	1.62%
Library Operations:			
SCLS basic service fee	32,000	33,000	3.13%
Office and library supplies	23,000	24,000	4.35%
PALS - automation	19,000	19,500	2.63%
Photocopier rental, repair and maintenance	23,000	23,000	0.00%
Printing and publicity	33,000	33,000	0.00%
Postage	12,000	12,000	0.00%
Professional fees - audit and legal	18,000	18,000	0.00%
Professional fees - payroll service	18,000	16,000	-11.11%
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	15,000	15,000	0.00%

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Conferences and travel	15,000	15,000	0.00%
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	262,400	262,900	0.19%
Building Operations:			
Building repairs and maintenance	46,000	48,000	4.35%
Janitorial services	65,564	67,531	3.00%
Landscaping	9,000	9,000	0.00%
Electricity	45,000	45,000	0.00%
Insurance	45,000	45,000	0.00%
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	232,264	236,231	1.71%
Capital Outlay:			
Building improvements/Capital Fund	1,500	1,500	0.00%
Total Capital Outlay	1,500	1,500	
Debt Service:			
Total Debt Service	541,450	541,450	
Total Expenditures	3,681,448	3,803,695	3.32%

THE FULL MARKET VALUATION OF THE WESTHAMPTON FREE LIBRARY FOR THE **2024-25** TAX YEAR WAS **\$5,607,250,012** and TAX RATE PER \$1000 was **.4604** WE ESTIMATE FOR THE **2025-26** YEAR, THE FULL MARKET VALUATION OF THE WESTHAMPTON FREE LIBRARY WILL BE **\$5,635,286,262**

and THE ESTIMATED TAX RATE PER \$1000 is **.4838** *
*tax rate estimate was not provided by the Town of Southampton for the 2025-26 year.

On a house assessed at \$500,000				
			2024-25	2025-26
Year			\$ 230.20	\$ 241.89
Monthly			\$ 19.18	\$ 20.16

Total difference of \$11.69 per year, \$.98 per month

Please note the tax levy limit for the year 2025-26 from the Office of the State Comptroller is \$2,726,632 for the Westhampton Free Library. The proposed levy is \$2,726,245 for the 2025-26 year for the Westhampton Free Library. The proposed levy is below the tax cap levy limit by \$387. The levy limit is composed of the tax base growth factor of 1.0147 and the allowable levy growth factor of 1.0200 for a total allowable levy increase of \$93,384 to remain under the tax cap.*

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