



ANNUAL LIBRARY

BUDGET VOTE

Tuesday, April 9, 2024

12:00 noon to 8:00 p.m.

at the Babylon Public Library

Proposed Library Budget 2024-2025

<u>BUDGET CATEGORY</u>	<u>2023/2024</u>	<u>Proposed 2024/2025</u>
LIBRARY MATERIALS AND PROGRAMS	\$ 232,700	\$ 226,700
Books		
Periodicals		
CD's, Audiobooks, DVD's,		
Online Resources		
Programs		
LIBRARY OPERATIONS	\$ 189,850	\$ 279,450
Circulation/ Automation		
Supplies & Equipment		
Maintenance & Repairs		
STAFF	\$ 990,000	\$ 1,280,582
Librarians		
Support Staff		
FIXED ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES	\$ 169,700	\$ 170,750
Financial		
Legal		
Insurance		
Utilities		
Computer Services		
MANDATED EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	\$ 485,985	\$ 453,900
NYS Retirement		
Health Insurance/Dental & Vision		
Social Security		
Disability & Workers Compensation		
TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET	\$ 2,068,235	\$ 2,411,382
Less Estimated Revenues:	\$ 10,000	\$ 63,900
Less Appropriated Fund Balance:	\$ 45,000	\$ 293,890
TOTAL TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION	\$ 2,013,235	\$ 2,053,592
** Expansion/Renovation Debt Service	\$ 358,250	\$ 357,000

Yearly increase on a home assessed
At \$4500 is \$7.93 per year

** Debt service represents the amount due this fiscal year to repay our capital improvement bond. The bond was approved by the voters of the Babylon Library District in October 2002, for the expansion project.

Voting will take place for two purposes:

1. To vote on the proposed Library Budget for 2024-2025 fiscal year, and
2. To elect one Trustee.

To vote in the Library Election you must be a U.S. citizen 18 years of age or older; have been a resident of the Babylon School District for at least 30 days prior to the vote; and be registered to vote with either the School District or the Suffolk County Board of Elections.

Voter registration – Residents not yet registered to vote for the Library Budget and Trustee Election may do so in the School District Clerk's Office at the Babylon Junior-Senior High School, 50 Railroad Ave., Babylon Village, up to and including April 4, 2024 on days when school is in session.

To verify your registration status, please call the School District Clerk at 893-7923.

Absentee Ballots

If you cannot vote in person, you may be eligible to vote absentee. Remember that filing for an absentee ballot is a multi-step process: **application, ballot, vote.**

1. Applications for absentee ballots can be obtained at the Library, 24 South Carll Ave., Babylon; or at the School District Clerk's Office, 50 Railroad Ave., Babylon Village; or online at the Library's website: www.babylonlibrary.org
2. Completed absentee ballot applications must be received by the District Clerk at least seven days before the election if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter; or one day before if personally delivered to the voter.
3. Absentee ballots must be returned no later than 5:00 p.m. on April 9, 2024 to the School District Clerk. It may be returned by someone other than the voter.

Thank you for taking the time to vote!

**For questions about the proposed budget, please call
Library Director Tom Vitale
631-669-1624**

La información del presupuesto está disponible en español en la Biblioteca Pública de Babylon.

Did you know...

In addition to regular library materials, the library offers e-books, e-audio books, videos, and magazines that can be used and downloaded from home on the Libby App.

The library offers a "Library of Things" which are non traditional items that can be borrowed including Wi-Fi hot spots, blood pressure machines, outdoor games, metal detector, a telescope etc. We offer many different museum passes. We also offer notary services.

The library circulated 1,028,213 electronic materials last year.

The library continues to offer virtual programs on Facebook and Zoom as well as in-person programs.

Budget Informational Meeting

Tuesday, March 26, 2024 at 6:30 pm. Budget copies are available on the Library 's website beginning March 19, 2024 at www.babylonlibrary.org

Visit us online at www.babylonlibrary.org



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