

Item: State Aid for Public Library Construction \$34 Million Program FY2022-2023

Background: A total of \$34 Million was approved for the Public Library Construction Aid Program in the FY2022-2023 State Budget. For Westchester Library System, the allocation of aid available is based on population and totals \$1,605,184.

Status: A total of 15 applications were received for this grant cycle. All of the applications were found to meet the criteria established for the Construction Grants as required by New York State Commissioner's Regulations' [Section 90.12], which include more effective library service; more efficient utilization of the library building; improved access to and use of building services; and provision of library services in communities which are geographically isolated or economically disadvantaged.

The Public Library Directors Association (PLDA) Grants Committee made up of Chair Angela Groth, Director of Ardsley Public Library; Carolyn Reznick, Director of Ruth Keeler Memorial Library (North Salem); and Jennifer Daddio (Somers) met on 9/1/2022 along with Terry Kirchner and Elise Burke of WLS to review the applications received.

The Committee reviewed the applications based on the nature of the projects and aid previously received. The recommended award amounts are noted on the attached list; and copies of the Applications and Project Narratives were previously distributed to WLS Trustees.

This year's allotment to WLS equaled \$1,605,184. The Total Project Cost for all applications equals \$2,952,830; the Cost of the Submitted Projects equals \$2,952,830; and the Total Requested Award Amounts equals \$1,899,270.

Recommended

Action: Approval of the recommendations submitted by the PLDA Grants Committee.

September 27, 2022

Applicant Name	Title / Abstract of Project	Total Project Cost	Cost of Submitted Project	Application Request Amount	Original Committee Recommended Award Amount
Bedford Hills Free Library	Data System Upgrade to Support Network: The Library will install new data lines to support the WLS-ILS network upgrade to ensure fast, secure, and optimal performance for library patrons.	\$28,791	\$28,791	\$25,912	\$21,593
Eastchester Public Library	Conversion of 2 Library Bathrooms to Gender Neutral ADA Compliant Bathrooms: The Library would like to convert 2 public bathrooms into ADA compliant restrooms and all bathrooms into gender neutral restrooms.	\$161,060	\$161,060	\$80,530	\$80,530
Greenburgh Public Library *	Library Vestibule & Canopy Rehabilitation: Rehabilitation of front entrance library vestibule & outside overhead canopy to mitigate leaks in both areas.	\$348,006	\$348,006	\$261,004	\$197,949
Hastings-on-Hudson Public Library	Air Conditioning Replacement: This project will replace the 30-year-old, failing chiller and air handling equipment.	\$346,250	\$346,250	\$173,125	\$173,125
Hendrick Hudson Free Library-Montrose	HVAC Efficiency Upgrades: The project will replace the remaining 4 original HVAC condensers, coils, valves, piping and control software with more efficient equipment.	\$207,144	\$207,144	\$103,572	\$103,572
Lewisboro Library	HVAC Project: This project will replace failing components of the library's HVAC rooftop units.	\$6,245	\$6,245	\$3,122	\$3,122
New Rochelle Public Library -- Main Library *	Noise Abatement Project: Installation of sound absorbing panels around appropriate areas of the library will significantly reduce noise reverberation in the building.	\$303,494	\$303,494	\$227,620	\$175,591
New Rochelle Public Library -- Huguenot Children's Branch Library	General Capital Improvements: Exterior: Create Art Wall; Basement: Rework flooring, craft/prep kitchen; First Floor: Establish receiving area, upgrade work area; Second Floor: Improve storage.	\$48,760	\$48,760	\$36,570	\$24,380
North Castle Public Library -- Main Library-Armonk	Security Camera & Monitoring System Installation: Project will install security cameras and a monitoring system throughout the Armonk Library Branch.	\$27,830	\$27,830	\$13,915	\$13,915
North Castle Public Library -- North White Plains Branch	Security Camera & Monitoring System Installation: Project will install security cameras and a monitoring system throughout the North White Plains Branch Library.	\$6,420	\$6,420	\$3,210	\$3,210

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Tuckahoe Public Library	Installing the new Humidity Control Unit & Furnace for Exterior Heating Control: This project will install new Humidity Control system (Dehumidifier) and also a new furnace for the exterior radiant heating control.	\$120,000	\$120,000	\$60,000	\$60,000
Warner Library-Tarrytown *	Energy Efficient Lighting & HVAC Upgrade: New insulation will be installed in HVAC system, LED lighting will be installed in the children's room to provide better energy efficiency.	\$120,000	\$120,000	\$60,000	\$83,844
White Plains Public Library *	LED Lighting for Library Stacks: Upgrade of original florescent lighting fixtures in the main publically accessible stack area of the Library to LED fixtures.	\$97,050	\$97,050	\$87,050	\$72,369
Yonkers Public Library -- Grinton I. Will Branch *	Sustainable HVAC System Replacement and Improvement: This project will replace and improve Will Library's failed 30-year-old HVAC system with a more efficient and sustainable air-cooled chiller.	\$995,500	\$995,500	\$695,500	\$523,844
John C. Hart Memorial Library-Yorktown	Program Space Expansion & Facility Safety Upgrade: Upgrade fire safety and optimize existing building footprint to expand library program space, gaining larger community meeting room and storytime room.	\$136,280	\$136,280	\$68,140	\$68,140
* Eligible for Economically Disadvantaged Community					
TOTALS		\$2,952,830	\$2,952,830	\$1,267,269	\$1,605,184