

Brookhaven Free Library

Proposed Operating Budget for the 2024-2025 Fiscal Year

	Current 2023-2024	Proposed 2024-2025	\$ Change	% Change
OPERATING BUDGET EXPENSES:				
Library Programs and Materials Books, periodicals, media, classes and events for all ages, Overdrive, electronic resources, museum passes and Suffolk County Cooperative Library System member support	\$137,494	\$137,224	(\$270)	-0.20%
Employee Salaries and Benefits Salaries, health insurance, payroll taxes, retirement and workers compensation	\$692,004	\$731,628	\$39,624	5.73%
Library Operations Telephone, internet, insurance, printing, postage, office supplies, professional fees, travel, professional development, marketing, port charges, library vote and administration	\$89,700	\$90,389	\$689	0.77%
Utilities, Repairs and Maintenance Electric, fuel, service contracts, building equipment maintenance and computers	\$78,000	\$74,375	(\$3,625)	-5.00%
Capital Expense	\$24,268	\$10,728	(\$13,540)	-55.79%
Tax Anticipation Note	\$18,000	\$18,000	-	-
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES:	\$1,039,466	\$1,062,344	\$22,878	2.20%
Less Anticipated Income Fines, gifts and donations, and other income	\$91,041	\$91,652	\$611	.67%
AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXES	\$948,425	\$970,692	\$22,267	2.35%*

Please note that the proposed 2024-2025 operating budget will maintain the Library's continued day-to-day operations as well as allow us to advance our mission to offer exceptional services, resources and programs to the South Country Central School District community.

* The proposed budget does not exceed the New York State tax levy limit.

Estimated Impact of Proposed Appropriation	
Accessed Value of Home	Increase from 2023-2024
\$3,000	\$2.47
\$4,000	\$3.30
\$5,000	\$4.54

Budget Vote and Trustee Election

Tuesday, April 2, 2024, 10:00 AM - 8:00 PM

Brookhaven Free Library

273 Beaver Dam Road, Brookhaven 11719

VOTING DAY

Voting will take place on **Tuesday, April 2, 2024** between the hours of **10:00 AM and 8:00 PM** at Brookhaven Free Library.

Applications for absentee ballots are available in the Library, online (www.brookhavenfreelibrary.org) and from the office of the Clerk of the School District (Administrative Offices, 189 Dunton Ave., East Patchogue, New York) between the hours of 9:00 AM and 4:00 PM, prevailing time, during all days on which the School District is in session.

WHO CAN VOTE

All registered voters of the South Country Central School District are eligible to vote. You must be a registered voter. You may register to vote in a library election if you are a citizen of the U.S., 18 years of age, and have been a resident of the South Country School District for at least 30 days.

VOTER REGISTRATION

Voter Registration forms can be found in the Library. You can also register in person at Suffolk County Board of Elections, 700 Yaphank Avenue, Yaphank 11980 or Call 631-852-4500 to request a voter application.

BUDGET INFORMATION

The proposed operating budget for the 2024-2025 fiscal year is available for review at the Library and on the Library's website.

TRUSTEE ELECTION

Two vacancies on the Board of Trustees are to be filled by election. Elected Trustees will serve a five-year term commencing with the July 2024 regular meeting. Biographical statements from each candidate are available online (www.brookhavenfreelibrary.org) and in the Library.

Please contact the Library's Director, Jamie Papandrea at 631-286-1923 or bfl@brookhavenfreelibrary.org for more information about the Library's proposed budget and Trustee election