

Proposed 2022-23 Islip Public Library Budget

	Budgeted 2021-2022	Budgeted 2022-2023
Salaries & Related Expenses	\$2,529,382	\$2,635,088
Mandated NYS Retirement Costs	\$275,000	\$275,000
Library Materials	\$439,600	\$454,400
Capital Equipment	\$105,500	\$105,500
Operation & Maintenance	\$303,100	\$307,100
Library Administration	\$311,650	\$334,450
Transfer to Capital Fund	\$50,000	\$12,000
TOTAL BUDGET	\$4,014,232	\$4,123,538
Minus Anticipated Income	(\$15,000)	(\$15,000)
PROPOSED BUDGET REQUEST	\$3,999,232	\$4,108,538

The proposed 2022-2023 budget presented by your Board of Trustees once again falls under the New York State tax cap. It reflects a total increase of 2.7%, which amounts to an annual tax increase of only \$21.23 for the average homeowner.

We are particularly excited about the upcoming budget cycle because we anticipate a return to business-as-usual. Actually, we are hopeful for something better than that. Along with a full return to the tried-and-true services our guests have come to rely on over the years, we anticipate the unveiling of innovative upgrades in 2022-23, including an easier check-out option via your smart phone, a simpler way to access our museum passes, novel programming options for all ages, and a (hopefully noticeable) breezy new service style that will make you think of the Library as a destination, just because. Traditional collections are preserved as well, and we've allotted more funding for e-books (those you read on your smart devices) and audiobooks (those you listen to on your smart devices), both of which have seen skyrocketing demand in recent years.

Overall, the budget supports educational objectives, the enrichment of leisure time, and lifelong learning, and the Board respectfully requests your support at the vote on April 5th. Should you have any questions, feel free to contact the Director at 581-5933.