Proposed 2024-2025 Islip Public Library Budget

	Budgeted 2023-2024	Budgeted 2024-2025
Salaries & Related Expenses	\$2,721,264	\$2,768,287
Mandated NYS Retirement Costs	\$275,000	\$285,000
Library Materials	\$448,000	\$461,500
Capital Equipment	\$101,000	\$100,000
Operation & Maintenance	\$324,900	\$339,400
Library Administration	\$325,800	\$344,900
Transfer to Capital Fund	<u>\$12,000</u>	\$12,000
TOTAL BUDGET	\$4,207,964	\$4,311,087
Minus Anticipated Income	(<u>\$15,000)</u>	(\$15,000)
PROPOSED BUDGET REQUEST	\$4,192,964	\$4,296,087

Message from the Board of Trustees

Through prudent fiscal management, the Board once again presents a budget that <u>falls under the New</u> <u>York State tax cap</u>. Specifically, the proposed 2024-2025 budget presented by your Board of Trustees reflects a total increase of 2.5%, which amounts to <u>an annual estimated tax increase of only \$19.88 for the average homeowner (assessed at \$40,000) or just over a nickel a day.</u>

The budget proposed for your approval guarantees access to all the tried-and-true collections, programs and services upon which residents rely. In addition, the budget commits to ensuring access to collection and service enhancements that have become increasingly popular and central to our mission, including access to downloadable books, audiobooks, and magazines; museum passes; Library of Things collections; discounted tickets to leisure destinations; and endless online resources. The Library's 100th anniversary celebration continues through the end of the year, and the supplemental adult, teen and juvenile programming related to this milestone will be underwritten with the proposed budget. All this is done while preserving staffing levels that the community has come to value.

By the way, if you'd like a way to stay abreast of all the Library's offerings and happenings in this or the upcoming year, join the nearly 1,200 residents who have downloaded the Library's app!

Overall, the presented budget supports educational objectives, the enrichment of leisure time, and lifelong learning, and the Board respectfully requests your support at the vote on Tuesday, April 2nd.

Should you have any questions, feel free to contact the Director at (631) 581-5933.