

Item: State Aid for Public Library Construction \$24 Million Program FY2017-2020
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Background: The New York State Legislature has provided an allocation of \$24 Million for Public Library Construction Aid in the State Budget. For Westchester Library System, the allocation of aid available is based on population and totals \$1,122,684.

Status: A total of 11 applications were received from 11 libraries for the 2017-2020 Grant Program. 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 PLDA Grants Committee made up of Chair Susan Riley, Director of Mamaroneck Public Library; Ann Cloonan, Director of Bedford Village Library; Rosemarie Gatzek, Director of Irvington Public Library; Brian Kenney, Director of White Plains Public Library; and Greg Wirszyła, Director of Bronxville Public Library, met on 8/29/2017 along with Elise Burke and Terry Kirchner from WLS to review the applications received.

The Committee reviewed the applications based on accepted guidelines and criteria required by New York State Commissioner's Regulations [Section 90.12]. The recommended award amounts are noted on the attached list; and copies of the Applications and Project Narratives were previously distributed.

This year's allotment to WLS equaled \$1,122,684. The Total Project Cost for all applications equals \$3,506,455; the Cost of the Submitted Projects equals \$1,719,659; and the Total Requested Award Amounts equals \$1,120,326. Thanks to the increase in the State Allocation, all of the Recommended Award Amounts are granted.

Please Note: As of last week, Harrison Public Library was notified that they cannot obtain the required proof of offer or contract for their site acquisition. Therefore, they had to withdraw their original application. The secondary project application in its place was reviewed by the PLDA Grants Committee and the recommended award amount has been included with the revised chart attached.

Recommended

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

September 26, 2017

Applicant Name	Description of Project	Total Project Cost	Cost of Submitted Project	Application Request Amount	Recommended Award Amount
Greenburgh Public Library	Atrium Café Addition: Addition of room adjacent to lobby library where patrons may eat and will also provide access to courtyard patio.	\$188,203	\$188,203	\$141,152	\$141,152
Harrison Public Library -- Main Library	Library Parking Enhancement Initiative: Project involves the acquisition of an adjacent lot in order to offer additional parking to support facility growth, functionality and area safety. TOWN UNABLE TO GET COPY OF OFFER/CONTRACT FOR SITE ACQUISITION AND HAD TO WITHDRAW APPLICATION; SEE SECONDARY APPLICATION BELOW.	\$178,789	\$178,789	\$89,394	\$89,394 WITHDRAWN
Harrison Public Library -- Main Library	Library Community Arts Garden: Project involves the construction of an innovative arts garden adjacent to the library, to be used for public events and artistic activities. SECONDARY APPLICATION	\$73,175	\$73,175	\$36,587	\$36,587 REVISED
Hastings-on-Hudson Public Library	LED Lighting: The library is replacing all fluorescent lighting with LED lighting.	\$16,000	\$16,000	\$8,000	\$8,000
Mount Vernon Public Library *	Capital Construction Phase II: Upgrade plumbing, mechanical ventilation, code compliance & accessibility	\$102,500	\$102,500	\$76,875	\$76,875
New Rochelle Public Library -- Main Library *	Lobby / Entryway Renovation: Entryway expansion including ADA compliant circulation desk, self-checkout kiosks, updated theft prevention gates and security system.	\$368,485	\$368,485	\$276,363	\$276,363
North Castle Public Library (Armonk) -- Main Library	Building Dedicated Programming space for Adults & Youth Services: Project will add dedicated programming space to enable increased programming offerings without negatively impacting patron quiet study or reading.	\$271,497	\$271,497	\$135,749	\$135,749
Ossining Public Library *	Security and Access Enhancements: Improvements in security system and building access system and safety and access improvements outside of library building.	\$52,711	\$52,711	\$39,533	\$39,533
The Warner Library (Tarrytown) *	Front Steps Rehabilitation Project: This project will replace an unsafe wooden door step & repoint the steps and enclosure at the library entrance.	\$16,890	\$16,890	\$12,667	\$12,667
Tuckahoe Public Library	Replacement of existing windows with energy efficient windows: Project includes replacement of 22 existing windows with energy-efficient windows.	\$43,930	\$43,930	\$21,965	\$21,965
Yonkers Public Library -- Grinton I. Will Branch *	Grinton Will Branch Library Facade Project - Phase 2: The larger project entails the replacement of the entire building facade. This grant focuses on one specific elevation, plus railings and signage.	\$2,100,000	\$313,204	\$234,903	\$234,903
John C. Hart Memorial Library (Yorktown/Shrub Oak)	Bathroom Renovation for Accessibility and Energy/Water Conservation: Two public restrooms reconfigured to be ADA compliant. All public restrooms fitted with LED lighting, motion sensors and reduced water use fixtures.	\$167,450	\$167,450	\$83,725	\$83,725

* Eligible for Economically Disadvantaged Community

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