

**Item:** State Aid for Public Library Construction \$34 Million Program FY2021-2022

**Background:** A total of \$34 Million was approved for the Public Library Construction Aid Program in the FY2021-2022 State Budget. For Westchester Library System, the allocation of aid available is based on population and totals \$1,590,468.

**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; Beth Bermel, Director of Scarsdale Public Library; Carolyn Reznick, Director of Ruth Keeler Memorial Library (North Salem); and Jennifer Daddio (Somers) met on 8/31/2021 along with Terry Kirchner and Andrew Farber, President of PLDA, 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 \$1,590,468. The Total Project Cost for all applications equals \$2,468,760; the Cost of the Submitted Projects equals \$2,165,130; and the Total Requested Award Amounts equals \$1,267,269.

**Recommended**

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

September 28, 2021

Applicant Name	Title / Abstract of Project	Total Project Cost	Cost of Submitted Project	Application Request Amount	Committee Recommended Award Amount
Bronxville Public Library	Attic FCU's - Honeywell BMS Upgrade: New controllers will be installed, on new fan coil units that services the upper floor of the library building and interfaced with new Library BMS.	\$24,840	\$24,840	\$12,420	\$12,420
Dobbs Ferry Public Library	Building Upgrades: Project will replace failed HVAC compressors and add automatic door openers to two entrances.	\$61,300	\$61,300	\$30,650	\$30,650
Eastchester Public Library	Emergency Water Infiltration Remediation Phase II: The rebuilding of the machine room and adjoining handicapped bathroom and replacement of elevator machinery damaged by long-term water infiltration.	\$514,000	\$210,370	\$105,185	\$105,185
Greenburgh Public Library	Sliding Entrance Doors with Keyless Security: Install sliding entrance doors with keyless access.	\$26,177	\$26,177	\$19,632	\$19,632
Harrison Public Library -- West Harrison Branch	Library Without Walls Community Programming Space: This project will construct an innovative Library Without Walls reading and community programming garden adjacent to the library.	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$150,000	\$150,000
Hastings-on-Hudson Public Library	COVID Compliant Water Refill Stations and Sinks: Replace 2 public water fountains with bottle refill stations and 4 bathroom faucets with motion sensor turn-off with respective sinks and countertops.	\$17,000	\$17,000	\$8,500	\$8,500
Hendrick Hudson Free Library-Montrose	Boiler Upgrade Efficiency: This project will upgrade the original 25 year old boiler to more energy efficient dual staged boilers.	\$76,851	\$76,851	\$38,425	\$38,425
Irvington Public Library	Restroom Conversion: Convert two single-gender restrooms to two all gender restrooms and a family restroom and add UVC lights to air handler to improve air quality.	\$145,572	\$145,572	\$72,786	\$72,786
Larchmont Public Library	LED Lighting Project: Replace fluorescent lights with LED lights on the Upper and Lower levels of the 1995 addition of the Library. Replacement of drop ceiling tiles.	\$67,615	\$67,615	\$33,807	\$33,807
Mount Vernon Public Library *	Construction Improvements--Replacement of Air Conditioning System: The library air conditioning needs replacement. The air conditioning does not function and creates water damage. 2 condensing units are inoperable.	\$232,000	\$232,000	\$174,000	\$174,000
New Rochelle Public Library -- Main Library *	3rd Floor Renovation: Renovation of third floor space to include reconfiguration of overall space, energy-efficient lighting, new furniture, fixtures, wall and floors.	\$456,899	\$456,899	\$342,674	\$342,674

# Westchester Library System

Action Item #1 (09/28/21)

Applicant Name	Title / Abstract of Project	Total Project Cost	Cost of Submitted Project	Application Request Amount	Committee Recommended Award Amount
New Rochelle Public Library -- Huguenot Children's Branch Library	Air Conditioning: Replacement of the 3 ductless mini split air conditioning units at branch Children's Library is necessary.	\$23,750	\$23,750	\$17,812	\$17,812
Tuckahoe Public Library	Re-configuring the Children's room and creating a new space for teens: Re-configuring the Children's room to improve early literacy and creating a new space for teens.	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$150,000	\$150,000
Warner Library-Tarrytown *	Public Computer/Reference/Young Adult Room Energy Efficient Lighting Project: An upgrade to energy-efficient lighting for public areas of the Warner Library and upgrades to the surrounding ceilings.	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$50,000	\$75,000
John C. Hart Memorial Library-Yorktown	Electronic Upgrades for Network Wiring and Elevator System: Upgrade broadband infrastructure for entire building and expand wifi. Upgrade of electronics for elevator to insure ADA compliance into the future.	\$122,756	\$122,756	\$61,378	\$61,378

\* Eligible for Economically Disadvantaged Community

TOTALS	\$2,468,760	\$2,165,130	\$1,267,269	\$1,292,269
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