Agenda November 18, 2025 6:00 PM

- 1. Call to order.
- 2. Remarks from Guests (period for public expression).
- 3. Reading, amendment if necessary, and approval of the October 21, 2025 Board meeting minutes.
- 4. Consideration of the Cultural Programming Fund Treasurer's Report for October.
- 5. Consideration of the Library Fund Treasurer's Report for October.
- 6. Consideration of the Financial Report for October.
- 7. Consideration of the Director's Statistical Report for October.
- 8. Approval of Bills Authorization of payment No. 912.
- 9. Approval of Disbursements for November Cultural Programming Fund.
- 10. Communications.
- 11. Old Business.
- 12. New Business
 - a. EXHIBIT A APPROVAL OF S.C.L.S. FINAL 2026 BUDGET
 - b. EXHIBIT B APPROVAL OF S.C.L.S. SYSTEM BOARD CANDIDATE TO REPRSENT BABYLON AND ISLIP FOR THE TERM 1/7/2026-12/31/2028
 - c. EXHIBIT C REVIEW OF PROPOSED LIVE-BRARY.COM DOWNLOAD COSTS FOR 2026
 - d. EXHIBIT D APPROVAL OF D&S QUOTE TO CONNECT DUCTWORK IN CEILING OF I.T. OFFICE TO HVAC SYSTEM (\$2,200)
 - e. DIRECTOR'S REPORT
 - f. DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS
 - g. PERSONNEL REPORT

- 13. Remarks from Guests (period for public expression).
- 14. Future Meeting Dates:

Tuesday, December 16 @ 6:00 PM Tuesday, January 20, 2026 @ 6:00 PM Tuesday, February 17, 2026 @ 6:00 PM

- 15. Executive Session.
- 16. Adjournment.

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE NORTH BABYLON PUBLIC LIBRARY HELD ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2025

The meeting was called to order by President Ms. Hare at 6:00 p.m. Mr. Hester, Mrs. Ziegler, Ms. Atlas, Mrs. DeBlasi, Mrs. Nicolazzi, Librarian III, Miss Scharf, Administrative Assistant, and Ms. Giordano of Bond, Schoeneck & King, were present. Mr. Horowitz, Library Director, was absent with notice.

Twenty guests arrived for the start of the meeting at 6:00 p.m.

At 6:01 p.m. Arleen S., former Library employee and community member, shared sentiments with the Board of Trustees.

At 6:07 p.m. Nicole G., community member, shared sentiments with Board of Trustees.

At 6:09 p.m. Katrina P., Library employee, shared sentiments with the Board of Trustees.

At 6:10 p.m. John P., community member, shared sentiments with the Board of Trustees.

At 6:11 p.m. Nicole G., community member, shared additional sentiments with the Board of Trustees.

At 6:13 p.m. Katrina P., Library employee, shared additional sentiments with the Board of Trustees.

At 6:14 p.m. Patrice P., community member, shared sentiments with the Board of Trustees.

At 6:18 p.m. Brian Q., community member, shared sentiments with the Board of Trustees.

At 6:21 p.m. Mike L., community member, shared sentiments with the Board of Trustees.

At 6:23 p.m. Arleen S., community member, shared additional sentiments with the Board of Trustees.

At 6:24 p.m. Carmella R., community member, shared sentiments with the Board of Trustees.

At 6:25 p.m. Nicole G., community member, shared additional sentiments with the Board of Trustees.

At 6:28 p.m. Dianna D., community member, shared sentiments with the Board of Trustees.

The topics of these guest sentiments that were shared with the Board of Trustees primarily include: Questions regarding the conclusion of the harassment investigation and

Director's employment status, Perceived poor treatment of staff and patrons, Parents feeling unsafe bringing their children into the Library, Scheduling and content of Sexual Harassment training, Inappropriate speech by the Library Director, Concerns regarding hiring for the vacant Librarian I position, Requests to increase public advertisement of Special meetings of the Board, Questions regarding how the Library Director is evaluated, and Questions regarding the use of Library funds.

On a motion by Mr. Hester, seconded by Ms. Atlas, it was unanimously agreed to adopt the minutes of the September 16, 2025 Board Meeting.

On a motion by Mr. Hester, seconded by Mrs. DeBlasi, it was unanimously agreed to adopt the minutes of the Special Meetings that took place on October 7 and October 14, 2025, with the acknowledgement that the September 25, 2025 Special Meeting minutes were previously approved at the October 7th Special Meeting.

On a motion by Mr. Hester, seconded by Mrs. DeBlasi, it was unanimously agreed to accept the Cultural Programming Fund Treasurer's Report for September.

On a motion by Mr. Hester, seconded by Mrs. Ziegler, it was unanimously agreed to accept the Library Fund Treasurer's Report for September.

On a motion by Mr. Hester, seconded by Ms. Atlas, it was unanimously agreed to accept the Financial Report for September.

The Director's Statistical Report for September was noted.

On a motion by Ms. Atlas, seconded by Mr. Hester, it was unanimously agreed to pay the bills on General Ledger Trial Balance No. 911.

On a motion by Ms. Atlas, seconded by Mrs. Ziegler, it was unanimously agreed to approve the Disbursements from the Cultural Programming Fund for the month of October.

Mrs. Nicolazzi introduced a new locking mailbox that will be available inside of the Library so that patrons and staff have a means of direct and private communication with the Board of Trustees. The Board President and Board Secretary were provided the only keys.

The S.C.L.S. 2026 Draft Budget was shared with and reviewed by the Board of Trustees under Exhibit A.

On a motion by Ms. Atlas, seconded by Mrs. Ziegler, it was unanimously agreed to approve the purchase of two (2) new museum passes for the Long Island Children's Museum for \$3,000, as presented in Exhibit B.

The Director's Report was noted.

Ms. Hare requested that the Library items being worked on and completed, as listed in the Director's Report, are posted and shared. Such items include: Revision of the current Newsletter, Sexual Harassment training for Library staff, Updates to the Children's Room including new furniture, puzzles and toys, Expanded programming, Review of materials fees for Adult Programs, Purchase of new videogames for circulation and Teen Programs, Consideration of adding vending machines to the new front lobby, and Consideration of purchasing additional items for the Lending Library.

The Department Head Reports were noted.

On a motion by Mr. Hester, seconded by Ms. Atlas, it was unanimously agreed to approve the October Personnel Report.

At 6:56 p.m. Aimee C., Library employee, shared sentiments with the Board of Trustees.

At 6:58 p.m. Kristin L, Library employee, shared an additional sentiment with the Board of Trustees.

At 6:59 p.m. Dianna D., community member, shared additional sentiments with the Board of Trustees.

At 7:00 p.m. Nicole G., community member, shared additional sentiments with the Board of Trustees.

The topics of these guest sentiments that were shared with the Board of Trustees primarily include: Requests for a formal means of responding to questions asked of the Board, Gratitude for and acknowledgement of the new toys in the Children's Room, Sexual Harassment training suggestions, Questions regarding the history of the Library accepting donations, and Suggestions for a "Friends of the Library" group.

On a motion by Mr. Hester, seconded by Mrs. DeBlasi, it was unanimously agreed to adjourn to executive session at 7:03 p.m. to discuss matters relating to personnel.

Ms. Atlas left the meeting at 7:15 p.m. with prior notice.

At the Board of Trustees' request, Mrs. Nicolazzi and Miss Scharf exited the executive session at 7:50 p.m.

At the Board of Trustees' request, Mrs. Nicolazzi and Miss Scharf re-entered the executive session at 8:17 p.m.

On a motion by Mr. Hester, seconded by Mrs. DeBlasi, it was unanimously agreed to adjourn from executive session at 8:23 p.m. and resume the regular business of the meeting.

On a motion by Mr. Hester, seconded by Mrs. Ziegler, it was unanimously agreed to approve a new full-time Library Clerk position to be split between the Circulation and Technical Services departments.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held on November 18, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. in the Library.

On a motion by Mr. Hester, seconded by Mrs. DeBlasi, it was unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting at $8:25~\rm p.m.$

Respectfully submitted,

Ms. Laurie Atlas Secretary

TREASURER'S REPORT CULTURAL PROGRAMMING FUND For the period of October 1, 2025 to October 31, 2025

Total available balance as reported at the end of preceding period					\$	11,568.69
RECEIPTS D	URING PERIOD					
Source Aquarium Tick Interest Earne		<u>mount</u> 346.00 0.88				
		Total rece		Total Receipts cluding balance	\$ \$	346.88 11,915.57
DISBURSEM	ENTS MADE DURI	NG PERIOD				
Check No. 4107 4108 4109	<u>Payee</u> Rosemarie Attard Kathy Reccardi Pamela Trastelis	Purpose Ceramic Pumpkin 9/11/25 Paint Night 9/25/25 Art with Pamela 10/9/25	<u>Am</u> \$ \$	ount Paid 288.00 240.00 240.00		
		Total Disbursements Cash balance as shown by re	ecords	r.	<u>\$</u> \$	768.00 11,147.57
RECONCILIA	ATION WITH BANK	(STATEMENT				
Bank statement balance at end of period \$11,041.57 Less total outstanding checks \$240.00 Net balance in bank \$10,801.57 Due from Library Fund \$346.00						
		Total available balance			_\$	11,147.57
Total commitments					_\$	-
Fund balance						11,147.57
This is to certi	fy that the above ca	sh balance is in agreement with th	he ban	k statement as recond	ciled.	

CULTURAL PROGRAMMING FUND

OUTSTANDING CHECKS

October 2025

No. Amount Payee
4109 \$ 240.00 Pamela Trastelis

Total \$ 240.00

NORTH BABYLON PUBLIC LIBRARY FINANCIAL REPORT FOR MONTH ENDING October 31, 2025

REVENUES	20252026 BUDGET	YEAR-TO-DATE
Real Property Taxes	3,322,400.00	1,384,340.19
PILOT Funds: Payment in Lieu of Taxes	4,500.00	-
Fines	8,000.00	182.60
Interest Income	2,000.00	2,509.56
Lost Books Paid	5,500.00	472.83
Gifts & Donations	8,000.00	-
E-Rate	5,000.00	-
Copy Machine Revenue	7,000.00	1,249.30
Unclassified Revenue	6,000.00	1,215.70
State Aid	8,800.00	8,766.90
Other State Aid	-	-
Appropriated Fund Balance	40,000.00	-
Prior Year Refund	-	-
	3,417,200.00	1,398,737.08
<u>CASH SUMMARY</u>		
Fund Balance - July 1, 2025 (Preliminary)	745,218.51	
Add: Reserve for Prior Encumbrances	54,394.94	
Deferred Real Estate Taxes	-	
Reserve for Retirement/Terminal Pay	80,000.00	
Reserve for Unemployment	11,195.71	
Committed for Post Employment Benefits	265,000.00	
Due to Employees' Retirement System	57,000.00	
Appropriated Fund Balance	40,000.00	
Accounts Payable	309,756.00	
Accrued Payroll	85,972.28	
	1,648,537.44	
Current Revenues	1,398,737.08	3,047,274.52
EXPENSES	=	
Budgetary Expenditures	1,030,977.71	
	1,030,977.71	
		1,030,055.01
Dis. Ins. Withheld	85.87	
Federal Withholding		
State Withholding		
Social Secuirty - EE		
Retirement System Deductions	105.23	
Retirement System Contributions - ERSBACK	359.02	
Excess Retirement Contributions	26.58	
Social Security - ER		
CPF Exchange	346.00	
Petty Cash		370.00
Deferred Real Estate Taxes		23.05
Citibank Account		-
Insurance Receivable		-
Prepaid Insurance		18,121.17
Prepaid Expenses		38,599.00
LIPA Rebate Receivable		-
Grants Receivable		-
Accrued Interest Receivable		-
Checking Accounts Balance	- -	1,960,106.29

NORTH BABYLON PUBLIC LIBRARY FINANCIAL REPORT FOR MONTH ENDING October 31, 2025

	2025-26 BUDGET	EXPENSED	ENCUMBERED	BALANCE
Professional Salaries	800,000.00	\$288,337.32	\$0.00	\$511,662.68
Clerical Salaries	725,000.00	\$175,896.48	\$0.00	\$549,103.52
Custodial/Maintenance Salaries	94,000.00	\$31,577.37	\$0.00	\$62,422.63
Technical Services Salaries	61,000.00	\$21,815.68	\$0.00	\$39,184.32
Library District Treasurer Salaries	2,900.00	\$1,419.21	\$0.00	\$1,480.79
Pages	47,350.00	\$9,396.17	\$0.00	\$37,953.83
Retirement	280,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$280,000.00
Social Security	117,000.00	\$38,692.66	\$0.00	\$78,307.34
Workmen's Compensation	17,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$17,000.00
Health Insurance	455,000.00	\$155,280.03	\$0.00	\$299,719.97
Vision Insurance	1,100.00	\$310.40	\$0.00	\$789.60
Disability Insurance	5,000.00	\$484.45	\$0.00	\$4,515.55
Dental/Life Insurance	21,550.00	\$3,572.01	\$0.00	\$17,977.99
Employee Assistance Plan	1,400.00	\$1,348.50	\$0.00	\$51.50
Books/Downloadable Books	200,000.00	\$14,142.32	\$200.00	\$185,657.68
DVD	20,000.00	\$2,574.04	\$100.00	\$17,325.96
Audio Recordings	4,000.00	\$55.45	\$0.00	\$3,944.55
Periodicals	14,500.00	\$2,006.24	\$0.00	\$12,493.76
Computer Software	10,000.00	\$2,713.00	\$0.00	\$7,287.00
Online Services	29,400.00	\$22,230.61	\$0.00	\$7,169.39
Misc Expenses	1,000.00	\$44.30	\$0.00	\$955.70
Printing and Publication	16,000.00	\$5,869.00	\$0.00	\$10,131.00
Library Programs	63,000.00	\$18,250.70	\$3,000.00	\$41,749.30
Postage	13,500.00	\$7,599.71	\$0.00	\$5,900.29
Telephone	9,000.00	\$1,674.63	\$0.00	\$7,325.37
Telecommunications	11,000.00	\$9,900.00	\$0.00	\$1,100.00
Electric	47,500.00	\$23,990.92	\$0.00	\$23,509.08
Gas	7,000.00	\$911.42	\$0.00	\$6,088.58
Water	1,000.00	\$466.08	\$0.00	\$533.92
Building Repair	15,000.00	\$7,167.40	\$4,856.00	\$2,976.60
Equipment Repair and Service Contracts	38,000.00	\$15,433.80	\$0.00	\$22,566.20
Trash Removal Service	2,300.00	\$280.68	\$0.00	\$2,019.32
Snow Removal Service	13,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$13,000.00
Security and Protective Services	67,000.00	\$23,753.14	\$0.00	\$43,246.86
Equipment	35,000.00	\$19,071.27	\$0.00	\$15,928.73
Circulation Control	20,000.00	\$9,958.95	\$0.00	\$10,041.05
SCLS Services Contract	45,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$45,000.00
Legal	14,000.00	\$15,774.00	\$0.00	(\$1,774.00)
Accounting Services	10,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10,000.00
Other Professional Fees (UMS)	5,000.00	\$365.00	\$0.00	\$4,635.00
Fire Liability Comprehensive Insurance	20,200.00	\$23,202.64	\$0.00	(\$3,002.64)
General Supplies	46,000.00	\$22,133.43	\$4,384.28	\$19,482.29
Maintenance Supplies	5,000.00	\$910.19	\$354.56	\$3,735.25
Travel	3,000.00	\$197.76	\$0.00	\$2,802.24
Continuing Education	3,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,000.00
Membership Dues	3,500.00	400.00	0.00	\$3,100.00
Election Expenses	5,000.00	0.00	0.00	\$5,000.00
Building Improvements	15,000.00	7,060.00	0.00	\$7,940.00
Expansion Project	0.00	44,710.75	0.00	(\$44,710.75)
	\$3,440,200.00	\$1,030,977.71	\$12,894.84	\$2,396,327.45

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M&T BANK - NOW Che Plus: Deposits in Trans		#00171	1002206	60 State	ment Ba	alance	\$	33.09	\$	868,783.17
Less: Outstanding Che	ecks		-·-					<u></u>	\$	(14,387.38)
Balance at End of Mon	th								\$	854,428.88
M&T BANK - MMA #15	005010	0003749	9 Statem	nent Bala	ance				\$	585,705.72
Capital One - MMA #75	27401	539 Sta	tement l	Balance			· -		\$	519,971.69
Total		-							\$	1,960,106.29
Reginning Rolance										
Beginning Balance:	M&T E	BANK - B BANK - B Bl One M		g			- 		\$ \$ \$	555,251.43 585,655.98 519,442.02
Real Property Taxes PILOT Funds: Paymen	t in Lie	u of Tax	(es				\$	553,733.33		
Fines Interest Income Lost Books Paid							\$ \$	36.70 642.69 103.05		
Gifts and Donations E-Rate							\$ \$			
Copy Machine Revenue Unclassified Revenue	3	-					\$ \$	257.90 550.03		
State Aid Due to CPF							\$ \$ \$	346.00 7.99	-	
Lost Books Paid Refun Voided Stale Checks -		2024-20	25				\$ 	854.30		
Total Receipts							\$	556,531.99	<u> </u>	-
Minus: Disbursements Accounts Payable 10/			-						\$	85,768.91
Payroll 10/10/25 Payroll 10/24/25					-				\$ \$	68,010.19 103,381.63
Excess ERS Withhold	lings								\$	(385.60)
Total Disbursements									\$	256,775.13
Total Ending Balance									\$	1,960,106.29

Outstanding Checks as of 10/31/25	
Check No.	Amour
46041	\$ 60.0
46207	\$ 407.1
46218	\$ 2,035.0
46224	\$ 1,110.0
46226	\$ 1,110.0
46238	\$ 1,973.6
46239	\$ 480.0
46249	\$ 300.0
46266	
46269	
46273	
46277	
46278	
46281	
46282	
46290	\$ 70.1
Total Outstanding Checks	\$ 14,387.38
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NORTH BABYLON PUBLIC LIBRARY

Statistical Report for October 2025

CIRCULATION STATISTICS				This Year		Last Year		
Grand To	tal Materials ((month)			7,868	_	7,799	
Grand Total Materials (calendar year to date)				81,157		79,923		
Total Vide	os and DVD'	s (month)			1,207	_	1,286	
Total Vide	os and DVD'	s (calendar	year to da	ite)	12,563		15,079	
COLLECT	ION:							
	Books	Audio	Video	PB Books	DVD	Pamphlets	Microfilms	Software
Added	66	1	0	0	30	0	0	0
Total	110,550	7,259	33	4,500	13,397	2,736	59	48
GRAND T	OTAL	138,582						
BORROW	ER REGISTR	ATION:						
					<u>Last Montl</u>	<u>h</u>	This Month	
Adult					8,873	•	8,938	
YA					2,465 2,472		2,472	
Juvenile					2,109		2,121	
TOTAL					13,447		13,531	
INTERLIB	RARY LOAN:							
# of items	received from	m other libra	aries for o	ur patrons		361		
# of items	lent to other	libraries fo	r their pat	rons		643		
MISCELLA	ANEOUS STA	TISTICS						
Adult Reference Questions 900 Juvenile Reference Questi					estions	257		
Adult Computer Use 397				Juvenile C	omputer Us	e	37	
Downloads - Live-brary.com 4,698					Door Coun	it		~5,000
Flipster			199		Scans			325
Kanopy			129					

North Babylon Public Library

North Babylon Public Library							
ALL	i	Cir	culation	Statistics	-	· 	
MATERIALS				 			
PIATERIALS	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
	2019	*Note :	2021	2022	2025	2027	2023
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January	14,582	12,410	8,086	7,381	7,802	8,143	6,855
February	14,004	12,868	7,255	7,170	7,837	7,715	6,717
March	15,519	7,341	8,044	7,549	8,523	8,136	7,743
April	14,797		7,722	7,392	7,955	7,619	7,372
May	13,963		7,039	7,181	7,840	7,085	7,187
June	12,379	3,607	7,236	7,896	8,498	7,594	6,978
July	15,780	5,442	8,153	8,171	8,471	9,095	8,951
August	15,500	6,885	8,558	8,412	9,136	8,710	13,417
September	13,466	10,252	7,936	8,081	8,293	8,027	8,069
October	14,574	7,434	8,213	8,169	8,550	7,799	7,868
November	12,589	8,924	7,826	7,299	8,520	7,676	
December	11,466	7,837	7,300	7,007	8,337	7,213	
TOTAL	168,619	83,000	93,368	91,708	99,762	94,812	81,157
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VIDEOS &]: -				İ		: · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
DVDs							-
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
January	4,353	3,472	2,712	1,548	1,642	1,613	1,202
February	4,045	3,583	2,283	1,698	1,638	1,715	1,237
March	4,480	2,005	2,320	1,707	1,729	1,743	1,472
April	4,110		2,071	1,833	1,469	1,553	1,268
May	3,726		1,853	1,772	1,586	1,425	1,273
June	3,405	490	1,800	1,888	1,671	1,422	854
July	6,296	1,368	1,911	1,845	1,425	1,573	1,303
August	4,610	1,847	1,973	1,964	1,787	1,408	1,373
September	3,859	2,142	1,729	1,530	1,679	1,341	1,374
October	3,988	2,195	1,761	1,642	1,589	1,286	1,207
November	3,609	2,457	1,837	1,400	1,488	1436	•
December	3,536	2,471	1,034	1,481	1,879	1,339	
TOTAL	50,017	22,030	23,284	20,308	19,582	17,854	12,563

NORTH BABYLON PUBLIC LIBRARY PROGRAM STATISTICS October 2025

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DATE	PROGRAM	AGE LEVEL	FUND	ATTENDANCE
10/3/2025	Preschool Story Time	Ages: 2 - 5 yrs.		14C, 13A
10/3/2025	All Levels Yoga and Mobility Class	Adult	Library	12
10/3/2025	Social Work Intern	Adult		1
10/4/2025	Saturday Games	PreK - Grade 5		None
10/4/2025	AARP Smart Driver Course	Adult		30
10/6/2025	Tots Night Out	Ages: 18 mo 5 yrs.	Library	10C, 11A
10/6/2025	106/25 Career Counselor	Adult		cancelled
10/6/2025	Social Work Intern	Adult		3
10/7/2025	Chess Club	Grades: 1-5		2C, 2A
10/7/2025	Deep Stretch Yin Yoga	Adult	Library	13
10/7/2025	One-on-One Medicare Counseling	Adult		5
10/7/2025	Social Work Intern	Adult		1
	Chess Buddies CSC	Teen		5
10/8/2025	Lego Fun!	Grades: 1 - 5		11C, 7A
10/8/2025	Crochet Class	Adult	Library	11
	Bookmark Bonanza CSC	Teen		10
	Catching Colors: Red	Ages: 18 mo - 4 yrs.		16C, 16A
	Art with Pamela: Moonlit Bay	Adult	Library	24
	Learn to Be Tobacco Free	Adult		4
	Drop-In Surprise Craft	PreK - Grade 5		3C, 4A
	All Levels Yoga and Mobility Class	Adult	Library	12
10/10/2025	Social Work Intern	Adult		2
10/11/2025	Family Story Time	Birth - Grade 5		17C, 19A
	Sleepy Times Tales	Ages: 1 - 5 yrs.		13C, 13A
	Deep Stretch Yin Yoga	Adult	Library	14
	Sewing Club	Adult	Library	5
	Preschool Story Time	Ages: 2 - 5 yrs.		18C, 17A
	Chocolate Halloween House	Grades: K - 5		20C, 19A
	Video Game Character Shrinky	Grades: 4 - 8		3C, 3A
	Video Game Character Shrinky	Tween		3
	Drop-in Play Date	Ages: 1 - 5 yrs.		3C, 4A
	Learn to Be Tobacco Free	Adult		3
	Imagination Station	PreK - Grade 5		7C, 4A
	All Levels Yoga and Mobility Class	Adult	Library	9
	Social Work Intern	Adult		2
	Stories & Stretches	Ages: 2 - 5	Library	13C, 9A
	Career Counselor	Adult		1
	Music: The Universal Language	Adult		22
	Paint Night-Ghost In The Moonlight	Grades: K - 5	Library	17C, 18A
	Social Work Intern	Adult		0
	Just Baby & Me	Ages: Birth - 18 mo.		7C, 6A
	Deep Stretch Yin Yoga	Adult	Library	
	Medicaid Enrollment Assistance	Adult		2
	Social Work Intern	Adult		12
	Preschool Story Time	Ages: 2 - 5 yrs.	<u> </u>	16C, 14A
	Owl Pillow-Look Whooos Got Mail!	Grades: K - 5	<u> </u>	15C, 12A
	Crochet Class	Adult	Library	12
	Staying Safe CSC Drop-In Play Date	Teen		5 6C 5A
	Librarian Tech Help 1 on 1	Ages: 1 - 5 yrs.		6C, 5A
	Ceramic Autumn Gnome	Adult	1 :15	1
	Learn to Be Tobacco Free	Adult Adult	Library	23 4
	Preschool Story Time	Ages: 2 - 5	<u> </u>	4 6C, 8A
	Social Work Intern	Adult		
10/25/2025		Birth - 17 mo.	Libras	20.24
	Family Yoga	Ages: 5 - 8 and Adults	Library	3C, 3A
	The History of Vampires in Cinema	Adult	Library	4C, 3A 10
	Mysteries Of Owls	All Ages	Library	
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10/27/2025	Social Work Intern	Adult		2
10/28/2025	Chess Club	Grades: 1-5		3C, 3A
10/28/2025	Book Discussion	Adult		3
10/28/2025	Deep Stretch Yin Yoga	Adult	Library	10
10/28/2025	Social Work Intern	Adult		2
10/28/2025	Chess Buddies CSC	Teen		3
10/29/2025	Drop-In Halloween Crafts	PreK - Grade 5		10C, 6A
10/29/2025	Suffolk Department of Labor	Adult		8
	Fruit Roll Up Books	Teen		3
10/30/2025	Halloween Scavenger Hunt	Children		9C, 10A
10/30/2025	Learn to Be Tobacco Free	Adult		cancelled
10/31/2025	Halloween Concert & Parade	Toddler/PreK		42C, 56A
10/31/2025	Social Work Intern	Adult		1
10/31/2025	Senior ID	Adult		16

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46320	11/18/2025	2281 Katrina Philips		189.10
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46329	11/18/2025	895 National Grid		444.72
46330	11/18/2025	83 NYS Employees' Retirement Sys.		230,863.00
46331	11/18/2025	215 OTC Brands, Inc	8683	185.22
46332	11/18/2025	1753 Principal Life Insurance Co.		96.25
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TREASURER'S REPORT CULTURAL PROGRAMMING FUND November 2025

DISBURSEMENTS MADE DURING PERIOD

<u>No.</u>	<u>Payee</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Am</u>	ount Paid
4110	S.C.L.S.	LI Aquarium Tickets	\$	2,650.00
4111	Rosemarie Attard	Ceramic Autumn Gnome (10/23/25)	\$	240.00

Total disbursements \$ 2,890.00



627 NORTH SUNRISE SERVICE ROAD, P.O. BOX 9000, BELLPORT, NY 11713-9000 TEL: 631-286-1600 = FAX: 631-286-1647

November 4, 2025

To: Member Library Directors;

Boards of Trustees

From: Kevin Verbesey

Re: SCLS Proposed FY 2026 Budget

Enclosed with this memo is the **Proposed SCLS FY 2026 Operating Budget** for your review and consideration.

At its meeting on November 4, 2025 the SCLS Board of Trustees approved the enclosed SCLS FY 2026 Operating Budget and authorized its submission for member library approval. In order for this proposal to take effect more than 2/3 of member libraries must vote to approve the proposed budget before December 31, 2025.

Attached to this memo are the final proposed SCLS FY 2026 Budget, a final proposed Member Support Chart, and your budget ballot. Please print the ballot out and use it to record your library vote.

To gain a full understanding of this proposed budget, and its impact on the member libraries, we ask that you review both this packet and the previously distributed "draft" budget packet that was dated October 1, 2025.

There have been some changes made from the "draft" budget that was distributed in October. The changes are based upon additional information and feedback that we have received subsequent to the "draft" budget being developed. The reasons behind each change are listed below.

Income

- 1) Miscellaneous Grants has been updated to include a NYS Construction Grant that SCLS expects to receive for phase one of our HVAC replacement project in 2026.
- Downloadable Media has been updated to reflect the proposed increase of 6% that
 was recommended by the Committee of member directors working with us on that
 issue.
- 3) Transfer from Unappropriated Fund Balance has been updated to reflect the expected cost of SCLS share of phase one of our HVAC replacement project.

Expenditures

- 1) Salaries have been updated to reflect our expected expenditures in this area for 2026.
- 2) Insurance Incentive has been updated to reflect updated estimates.
- 3) Homework Help has been updated to reflect a newly negotiated contract for the service that lowered costs by almost 20%.
- 4) Downloadable Media has been updated to reflect the proposed increase of 6% in expenditures for the service that was recommended by the Committee of member directors working with us on that issue.
- 5) Publicity and Printing, Travel, Programs, and Professional Development have all been adjusted to reflect current costs estimates in these areas.
- 6) Water and Equipment-Non-capital have been adjusted to reflect new costs estimates.
- 7) Contract Services has increased in this estimate due to a newly negotiated contract for our daily delivery service to the member libraries.
- 8) Facility Renovations have been adjusted to reflect the expected total cost of phase one of our HVAC replacement project.

The bottom line, after these changes have been made, is that the overall SCLS 2026 Budget is projected to increase by 13.62% (\$2,262,559.) The operations side will increase by 11.33% (\$853,306) and the Direct Offset side will increase by 7.52% (\$674,253) and a fund balance transfer is planned in 2026 to pay SCLS share of phase one of our HVAC replacement project. Of the overall increase of \$2.3M almost \$2M of it is related to the HVAC replacement project, increases in coordinated orders, and the increase in downloads contributions.

Member Support, overall, will increase 2% (\$48,140) in 2026.

We are sometimes asked why every library does not have the same percentage change in member support. Member library financial participation is determined by a formula that includes the library's service population and the library's expenditures for the prior year (2024.) If a library's disbursements (less capital expenditures and debt service — as defined in the New York State Annual Report) increased more than the County average then the contribution change will be greater than the average. The version that is enclosed with this memo is the final member support chart for 2026.

If possible, please address this issue at your next Board meeting and return the enclosed ballot to SCLS before December 31, 2025. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Thank you for your continued support of our collaborative efforts.

2026 BUDGET INCOME

	2024	2025	2026	2025 to 2026	2025 to 2026
SOURCE	Budget	Approved	Proposed	\$ Change	% Change
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N. Y. State	2,941,535	2,986,503	2,997,427	10,924	0.37%
Local Services Support Aid	337,368	342,800	344,080	1,280	0.37%
Outreach	239,863	268,425	269,434	1,009	0.38%
SCLS: CLA	159,535	187,575	188,271	696	0.37%
Misc. Grants	133/333	0	735,000	735,000	0.00%
Interest	65,000	100,000	180,000	80,000	80.00%
Rental	59,000	60,000	62,000	2,000	3.33%
Delivery Service	1,500	1,600	02,000	(1,600)	-100.00%
Mailing Overdues	15,000	12,000		(12,000)	-100.00%
Miscellaneous	15,000	25,000	46,000	21,000	84.00%
Contributions	100	100	40,000	(100)	-100.00%
Programs/Rooms	12,000	12,000		(12,000)	-100.00%
Library Contract Service	162,000	315,000	281,000	(34,000)	-10.79%
Member Library Support	2,375,132	2,410,860	2,459,000	48,140	2.00%
PALS Admin. Fee	752,949	772,423	765,380	(7,043)	-0.91%
Sustainable Libraries Initiative	30,000	40,000	60,000	20,000	50.00%
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Sub-Total (Operational)	7,165,982	7,534,286	8,387,592	853,306	11.33%
Central Library support	·				
Shared Services	53,000	53,000	53,000	0	0.00%
Homework Help	55,000	55,000	55,000	0	0.00%
		33/333	33,000		0.0076
Sub-Total (Central Library)	108,000	108,000	108,000	0	0.00%
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DIRECT OFFSET					
LLSA Member Libraries	476,633	484,300	486,115	1,815	0.37%
Central Library Aid	379,235	380,825	382,246	1,421	0.37%
Suffolk E-Resources	793,141	816,935	816,935	0	0.00%
Coordinated Orders	1,300,000	1,000,000	1,300,000	300,000	30.00%
Downloadable Media SCLS: CBA	5,918,306	6,273,354	6,649,755	376,401	6.00%
	16,830	0	0	(7.224)	0.00%
Dedicated Library Aid (Jail/Lov Misc. Grants	32,130	16,050	10,666	(5,384)	-33.55%
rust, Grants	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Sub-Total (Direct Offset)	8,916,275	8,971,464	9,645,717	674,253	7.52%
Transfer from Unappropriated					
Fund Balance	125,000	0	735,000	735,000	0.00%
			7.53,000	733,000	0.00 %
Sub-Total (Non-Operational)	125,000	٩	735,000	735,000	0.00%
TOTAL INCOME	16,315,257	16,613,750	18,876,309	2,262,559	13.62%

2026 Budget Expenditures

ACCOUNT TITLE	2024	2025	2026	2025 to 2026	2025 to 2026
	Budget	Budget	Proposed	\$ Change	% Change
SALARIES				7 01	70 011.11.90
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LIBRARIAN	1,640,159	1,656,213	1,795,835	139,622	8.43%
STAFF - F/T	1,115,073	1,234,046	1,264,899	30,853	2.50%
SHIPPING & MAINTENANCE	140,036	264,098	274,756	10,658	4.04%
STAFF - P/T	266,714	192,879	231,652	38,773	20.10%
SUB-TOTAL (Salaries)	3,161,982	3,347,236	3,567,142	219,906	6.57%
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FIXED CHARGES & FRINGE BENE	FITS		·		
PETTAGAGAIT	405.000	F07 000		40.000	
RETIREMENT	435,000	535,000	575,000	40,000	7.48%
SOCIAL SECURITY	237,000	251,000	262,000	11,000	4.38%
WORKER'S COMPENSATION UNEMPLOYMENT	40,000	45,000	45,500	500	1.11%
DISABILITY	1,000 5,500	500 5,500	500 5,500	0	0.00% 0.00%
HEALTH INSURANCE	600,000	630,000	625,000	(5,000)	-0.79%
MEDICAL INS. RETIREES	550,000	550,000	575,000	25,000	4.55%
DENTAL	42,000	42,000	41,000	(1,000)	-2.38%
OPTICAL.	6,000	5,000	5,000	0	0.00%
FLEX PLAN	500	500	1,000	500	100.00%
SICK & VAC. PAYOUTS	100,000	90,000	85,000	(5,000)	-5.56%
LONG TERM CARE INSURANCE	2,000	1,500	1,000	(500)	-33.33%
INSURANCE INCENTIVE	45,000	35,000	45,000	10,000	28.57%
EMPLOYEE ASSIST. PROGRAM	1,800	1,800	1,800	0	0.00%
SUB-TOTAL (Fixed & Fringe)	2,065,800	2,192,800	2,268,300	75,500	3.44%
PROFESSIONAL FEES	57,050	57,300	58,600	1,300	2.27%
SUB-TOTAL (Professional Fees)	F7 0F0	F7 200	FO 600	4 200	0.070/
SUB-TOTAL (Professional Fees)	57,050	57,300	58,600	1,300	2.27%
LIBRARY MATERIALS					
LABORIN PRICES					
BOOKS	8,000	8,000	8,500	500	6.25%
DOWNLOADABLE MEDIA	105,000	105,000	125,000	20,000	19.05%
HOMEWORK HELP	306,000	332,000	267,500	(64,500)	-19.43%
				(0.7000)	
SUB-TOTAL	419,000	445,000	401,000	(44,000)	-9.89%
DIRECT OFFSET					
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LLSA MEMBER LIBRARIES	476,633	484,300	486,115	1,815	0.37%
CLA CBA CNTRL LIBRARY	379,235	380,825	382,246	1,421	0.37%
SUFFOLK E-RESOURCES	793,141	816,935	816,935	0	0.00%
COORDINATED ORDERS	1,300,000	1,000,000	1,300,000	300,000	30.00%
DOWNLOADABLE MEDIA	5,918,306	6,273,354	6,649,755	376,401	6.00%
CBA MATERIALS DEDICATED LIBERARY AID	16,830	16 000	10.666	(5 224)	0.00%
MISC. GRANTS	32,130 0	16,000	10,666 0	(5,334)	-33.34%
	 		<u> </u>	0	0.00%
SUB-TOTAL	8,916,275	8,971,414	9,645,717	674,303	7.52%
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2026 Budget Expenditures

ACCOUNT TITLE	2024	2025	2026	2025 to 2026	2025 to 2026
	Budget	Budget	Proposed	\$ Change	% Change
OPERATIONS					
<u>UPERATIONS</u>				 	
OFFICE & LIB. SUPPLIES	40,500	41,000	40,000	(1,000)	-2.44%
TELEPHONE VOICE	20,000	23,000	28,000	5,000	21.74%
ISP SERVICE	30,000	27,000	27,000	0	0.00%
Line of Credit INTEREST	100	100	100	0	0.00%
POSTAGE & FRGHT SCLS	15,000	15,000	22,500	7,500	50.00%
POSTAGE OVERDUES	9,000	7,500	0	(7,500)	-100.00%
PUBLICITY & PRINTING	30,000	30,000	35,000	5,000	16.67%
TRAVEL	23,500	25,500	27,500	2,000	7.84%
LOST IN TRANSIT	8,000	7,000	7,000	0	0.00%
OVERDUE SUPPLIES	0	0	0	0	0.00%
MEMBERSHIP DUES	23,000	24,000	28,000	4,000	16.67%
MAINT OFFICE EQUIP.	15,000	14,400	14,000	(400)	-2.78%
COMPUTER SERVICES	263,000	284,100	312,500	28,400	10.00%
VEHICLE OPERATION	32,500	36,400	33,400	(3,000)	-8.24%
VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	20,000	15,000	12,000	(3,000)	-20.00%
SECURITY SERVICES	22,000	22,000	22,000	0	0.00%
TRUSTEE EXPENSE	2,000	3,500	3,500	0	0.00%
PROGRAMS PROF. DEVELOPMENT	35,000	35,000	40,000	5,000	14.29%
Misc	52,500	49,500	52,000	2,500	5.05%
PHSC	0	0	0	0	0.00%
SUB-TOTAL	641,100	660,000	704,500	44 500	6.74%
SOD-TOTAL	041,100	000,000	704,300	44,500	0.7476
BUILDING OPERATIONS					
GAS	25,000	21,000	22,000	1,000	4.76%
ELECTRICITY	38,050	35,000	35,000	0	0.00%
WATER	1,200	2,000	2,000	0	0.00%
SUPPLIES-JANITORIAL	2,500	2,500	2,500	0	0.00%
CONTRACT SERVICES	452,800	462,000	518,500	56,500	12.23%
REPAIR - BLDG. & EQUIP.	50,000	50,000	50,000	0	0.00%
SUB-TOTAL	569,550	572,500	630,000	57,500	10.04%
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INSURANCE	104,500	87,500	92,050	4,550	5.20%
EQUIPMENT - NON_CAPITAL	5,000	5,000	5,000	0	0.00%
EQUIPMENT - CAPITAL	35,000	35,000	34,000	(1,000)	-2.86%
EQUIPMENT - VEHICLES	65,000	65,000	0	(65,000)	-100.00%
FACILITY RENOVATIONS	275,000	175,000	1,470,000	1,295,000	740.00%
SUB-TOTAL	484,500	367,500	1,601,050	1,233,550	335.66%
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TOTAL EXPENDITURES	16,315,257	16,613,750	18,876,309	2,262,559	13.62%

	ACT	PROP	\$ Change	% Change
	2025	2026	PROP 2026	PROP 2026
	ML SUPP	ML SUPP	FROM 2025 ACT	FROM 2025 ACT
MAGANSETT	11,450	11,680	230	2.01%
MITYVILLE	35,850	36,372	522	1.46%
BABYLON	19,570	21,054	1,484	7.58%
BAYPORT-BLUE POINT	26,626	25,558	(1,068)	-4.01%
BAY SHORE-BRIGHTWATERS	44,932	45,666	734	1.63%
BRENTWOOD	114,091	116,568	2,477	2.17%
BROOKHAVEN	12,098	12,539	441	3.65%
ENTER MORICHES	42,494	43,116	622	1.46%
CENTRAL ISLIP	51,510	51,078	(432)	-0.849
COLD SPRING HARBOR	19,242	19,287	45	0.23%
COMMACK	32,234	32,887	653	2.039
COMSEWOGUE	65,310	66,159	849	1.30%
CONNETQUOT	62,790	63,434	644	1.03%
COPIAGUE	44,569	45,582	1,013	2.279
CUTCHOGUE-NEW SUFFOLK	12,122	11,819	(303)	-2.509
DEER PARK	35,668	35,955	287	0.809
EAST HAMPTON	34,535	36,449	1,914	5.549
EAST ISLIP	39,165	40,303	1,138	2.919
ELWOOD	19,282	19,811	529	2.749
EMMA S CLARK	69,252	69,722	470	0.689
FLOYD MEMORIAL	11,450	11,680	230	2.019
HALF HOLLOW HILLS	77,485	79,942	2,457	3.17
HAMPTON BAYS	25,555	25,716	161	0.63
HAMPTON	11,450	11,680	230	2.019
HARBORFIELDS	37,822	37,106	(716)	-1.899
HAUPPAUGE	23,785	23,490	(295)	-1.24
HUNTINGTON	69,285	71,110	1,825	2.63
ISLIP	34,104	33,209	(895)	-2.62
JOHN JERMAIN	18,724	19,714	990	5.29
LINDENHURST	53,542	55,759	2,217	4.14
LONGWOOD	90,699	91,931	1,232	1.36
MASTICS-MORICHES-SHIRLEY	78,333	82,504	4,171	5.32
MATTITUCK	11,450	12,114	664	5.80
MIDDLE COUNTRY	124,526	127,884	3,358	2.70
MONTAUK	11,450	11,680	230	2.01
NORTH BABYLON	38,665	39,429	764	1.98
NORTH SHORE	43,611	42,129	(1,482)	-3.40
NORTHPORT-EAST NORTHPORT	75,931	76,996	1,065	1.40
PATCHOGUE-MEDFORD	86,454	89,803	3,349	3.87
PORT JEFFERSON	34,549	34,896	347	1.00
QUOGUE	11,450	11,680	230	2.01
RIVERHEAD	52,655	53,279	624	1.19
ROGERS MEMORIAL	37,664	37,832	168	0.45
SACHEM	120,503	122,146	1,643	1.36
SAYVILLE	31,552	32,286	734	2.33
SHELTER ISLAND	11,450	11,680	230	2.01
SMITHTOWN	163,702	166,315	2,613	1.60
SOUTH COUNTRY	29,677	30,570	893	3.01
SOUTH HUNTINGTON	60,939	62,908	1,969	3.23
SOUTHOLD	11,450	11,680	230	2.0
WEST BABYLON	39,864	40,620	756	1.90
WEST ISLIP	41,256	41,859	603	1.4
WESTHAMPTON	27,127	28,171	1,044	3.8
WYANDANCH	19,911	24,163	4,252	21.30
	2,410,860	2,459,000	48,140	2.00



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BALLOT

2026 SCLS Budget

The Board of Trustees of the	NORTH BABYLON PU	JBLIC	_ Library
	Approved		
	Disapproved		
The Proposed 2026 Budget of approved by the SCLS Board			em,
Signed:	Dat	e:11/18/2025	

Please return to SCLS. Attention Director's Office no later than Wednesday, December 31, 2025



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November 4, 2025

TO:

MEMBER LIBRARY DIRECTORS IN THE

TOWNS OF BABYLON and ISLIP

FROM:

KEVIN VERBESEY, DIRECTOR

SUBJECT:

ENCLOSED BALLOT

In compliance with the Bylaws of the Suffolk Cooperative Library System, enclosed you will find five ballots to elect a trustee to represent the **TOWNS OF BABYLON and ISLIP** on the SCLS Board. PLEASE NOTE THE DEADLINE FOR RETURNING BALLOTS TO THE SCLS DIRECTOR'S OFFICE IS WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2025.

For your information, I quote below Article VIII, Section 5, of the System's Bylaws:

Section 5

Each member library shall have five votes to be cast by written ballot after official action at a board meeting. The ballots must be returned to SCLS for counting by 5:00 p.m. on the specified date. A plurality shall be required to elect. In case of ties there will be a run off. Results of the balloting will be communicated by memo to all libraries within one week of the completion of the ballot.



627 NORTH SUNRISE SERVICE ROAD, P.O. BOX 9000, BELLPORT, NY 11713-9000

BALLOT

TO:	BOARD OF TRUSTEES IN THE
	TOWNS OF BABYLON and ISLIP
FROM:	KEVIN VERBESEY, DIRECTOR
	our vote for the following candidate to serve on the System Board to fill a term nuary 7, 2026– December 31, 2028
	Justin Belkin (Babylon)
Signed	
NORTH BABY	ILON PUBLIC LIBRARY
Library	

PLEASE RETURN THIS BALLOT TO THE SCLS DIRECTOR'S OFFICE NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 31, 2025 by 5:00 P.M.



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November 4, 2025

To: Member Library Directors & Boards of Trustees

From: Kevin Verbesey

Re: Proposed Live-brary.com Downloads Costs for 2026

Attached please find the breakdown of the proposed cost model for the Live-brary.com Downloads for 2026.

In 2025 the member libraries contributed \$6,273,354 for purchases of materials for the Downloads service. (Every dollar that the member libraries contribute towards the service is used to purchase materials to lend to patrons.) SCLS pays the service platform fee for the Overdrive service out of our regular operating budget.

The usage for the service in the last twelve months has increased by 7.52%.

October 1, 2023 – September 30, 2024 --- 3,795,916 October 1, 2024 – September 30, 2025 --- 4,081,417

Based on member library input we are proposing an overall increase in the member library contributions for the Live-brary.com Downloads in 2026 of 6% to bring the total contributions to \$6,649,755. SCLS will contribute \$125,000 and Patchogue-Medford \$12,000 for a total budget of \$6,786,755.

During the course of 2025 SCLS worked with a committee of member library director's representative of the five region zones to try to determine strategies to make this critical service more sustainable for libraries and library users throughout Suffolk County. After those discussions it was decided that modifications will be made to the service loan rules, purchasing policies, and advocacy on behalf of the service will be significantly increased. All of these steps are being planned in order to ensure that this fast growing and popular service remains viable and valuable to Suffolk's library users for years to come.

Please note that the Live-brary.com Download fee is calculated with a "base fee" that every library pays at the same rate regardless of size or service usage. The "base fee" of the member libraries is \$10,000 per participating library. The remaining charge is based on the amount of usage from each individual library's patrons. Libraries whose patrons borrow more - pay more, at a proportional rate.

We hope that all member libraries will continue to offer this service to their patrons in 2026 but if you decide for any reason that you would no longer like to offer the service please inform me of that fact — in writing — by December 31, 2025. At that time these charges will be applied for 2026.

If you have any questions, comments, or concerns please do not hesitate to contact me.

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2026 Downloads at 6% Net Increase

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Library	Downloads	Of Total Use	Downloads	Of Total	Change	2025	2025	Total	of Total	2026	2026	Total	of Total	% Inc.
	10/23-9/24	23/24	10/24-9/25	24/25	23/24	Base	Usage	2025	2025	Base	Usage	2026	2026	COST
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Amagansett	14,131	0.37%	15,249	0.37%	7.91%	\$10,000	\$21,343	\$31,343	0.50%	\$10,000	\$22,827	\$32,827	0.49%	4.70%
Amityville	37,187	0.98%	38,678	0.95%		\$10,000	\$56,167	\$66,167	1.05%	\$10,000	\$57,900	\$67,900	1.02%	2.60%
Babylon	32,597	0.86%	35,154	0.86%	7.84%	\$10,000	\$49,235	\$59,235	0.99%	\$10,000	\$52,624	\$62,624	0.94%	5.70%
Bay Shore	62,996	1.66%	70,415	1.73%	11.78%	\$10,000	\$95,149	\$105,149	1.61%	\$10,000	\$105,409	\$115,409	1.74%	9.80%
Bayport	48,478	1.28%	52,063	1.28%	7.40%	\$10,000	\$73,221	\$83,221	1.28%	\$10,000	\$77,937	\$87,937	1.32%	5.70%
Brentwood	37,737	0.99%	41,937	1.03%	11.13%	\$10,000	\$56,998	\$66,998	1.12%	\$10,000	\$62,778	\$72,778	1.09%	8.60%
Brookhaven	9,885	0.26%	10,462	0.26%	5.84%	\$10,000	\$14,930	\$24,930	0.41%	\$10,000	\$15,661	\$25,661	0.39%	2.90%
Center Moriches	79,628	2.10%	85,766	2.10%	7.71%	\$10,000	\$120,270	\$130,270	1.98%	\$10,000	\$128,389	\$138,389	2.08%	6.20%
Central Islip	26,022	0.69%	30,166	0.74%	15.92%	\$10,000	\$39,304	\$49,304	0.74%	\$10,000	\$45,158	\$55,158	0.83%	11.90%
Cold Spring Harbor	40,812	1.08%	40,513	0.99%	±0.73%	\$10,000	\$61,642	\$71,642	1.18%	\$10,000	\$60,647	\$70,647	1.06%	-1.40%
Commack	51,136	1.35%	55,987	1.37%	9.49%	\$10,000	\$77,236	\$87,236	1.35%	\$10,000	\$83,811	\$93,811	1.41%	7.50%
Comsewogue	116,274	3.06%	122,607	3.00%	5.45%	\$10,000	\$175,620	\$185,620	2.89%	\$10,000	\$183,539	\$193,539	2.91%	4.30%
Connetquot	99,295	2.62%	105,391	2.58%	6.14%	\$10,000	\$149,975	\$159,975	2.45%	\$10,000	\$157,767	\$167,767	2.52%	4.90%
Copiague	33,607	0.89%	36,449	0.89%	8.46%	\$10,000	\$50,760	\$60,760	0.94%	\$10,000	\$54,563	\$64,563	0.97%	6.30%
Cutchogue	22,882	0.60%	24,180	0.59%	5.67%	\$10,000	\$34,561	\$44,561	0.75%	\$10,000	\$36,197	\$46,197	0.69%	3.70%
Deer Park	33,516	0.88%	35,731	0.88%	6.61%	\$10,000	\$50,623	\$60,623	0.94%	\$10,000	\$53,488	\$63,488	0.95%	4.70%
East Hampton	85,476	2.25%	95,145	2.33%		\$10,000	\$129,103	\$139,103	2.11%	\$10,000	\$142,429	\$152,429	2.29%	9.6%
East Islip	66,773	1.76%	71,824	1.76%	7.56%	\$10,000	\$100,854	\$110,854	1.69%	\$10,000	\$107,518	\$117,518	1.77%	6.00%
Elwood	42,473	1.12%	47,128	1.15%	10.96%	\$10,000	\$64,151	\$74,151	1.25%	\$10,000	\$70,549	\$80,549	1.21%	8.60%
Emma S Clark	199,054	5.24%	207,790	5.09%	4.39%	\$10,000	\$300,651	\$310,651	4.81%	\$10,000	\$311,055	\$321,055	4.83%	3.3%
Floyd Memorial	25,743		29,871	0.73%		\$10,000	\$38,882	\$48,882	0.78%	\$10,000	\$44,716	\$54,716	0.82%	11.90%
Half Hollow Hills	142,830		146,653	3.59%	2.68%	\$10,000	\$215,731	\$225,731	3.74%	\$10,000	\$219,535	\$229,535	3.45%	1.70%
Hampton	13,956		15,760	0.39%	12.93%	\$10,000	\$21,079	\$31,079	0.52%	\$10,000	\$23,592	\$33,592	0.51%	8.10%
Hampton Bays	46,959	1.24%	51,917	1.27%	10.56%	\$10,000	\$70,927	\$80,927	1.39%	\$10,000	\$77,718	\$87,718	1.32%	8.40%
Harborfields	83,963	2.21%		2.27%	10.40%	\$10,000	\$126,818	\$136,818	2.12%	\$10,000	\$138,765	\$148,765	2.24%	8.70%
Hauppauge	28,935	0.76%		0.78%	9.39%	\$10,000	\$43,703	\$53,703	0.94%	\$10,000	\$47,381	\$57,381	0.86%	6.80%
Huntington	107,961	2.84%	115,652	2.83%	7.12%	\$10,000	\$163,064	\$173,064	2.71%	\$10,000	\$173,127	\$183,127	2.75%	5.80%
Islip	50,040		55,235	1.35%		\$10,000	\$75,580	\$85,580	1.35%	\$10,000	\$82,685	\$92,685	1.39%	8.30%
John Jermain	40,966	1.08%			6.47%	\$10,000	\$61,875	\$71,875	1.17%	\$10,000	\$65,292	\$75,292	1.13%	4.80%
Lindenhurst	77,659			2.03%	6.58%	\$10,000	\$117,296	\$127,296	2.05%	\$10,000	\$123,906	\$133,906	2.01%	5.20%
Longwood	141,172	3.72%		3.77%	8.92%	\$10,000	\$213,226	\$223,226	3.56%	\$10,000	\$230,177	\$240,177	3.61%	7.60%
Mastics	72,717	1.92%		1.98%		\$10,000	\$109,832	\$119,832	2.01%	\$10,000	\$120,978	\$130,978	1.97%	9.30%
Mattituck	29,587	0.78%			5.31%	\$10,000	\$44,688	\$54,688	0.87%	\$10,000	\$46,644	\$56,644	0.85%	3.60%
Middle Country	115,307	3.04%			4.60%	\$10,000	\$174,160	\$184,160	3.04%	\$10,000	\$180,549	\$190,549	2.87%	3.50%
Montauk	24,571	0.65%	29,608	0.73%	20.50%	\$10,000	\$37,112	\$47,112	0.72%	\$10,000	\$44,322	\$54,322	0.82%	15.30%

Library	# of Downloads	% Of Total Use	# of Downloads	% Of Total	% Change	2025	2025	Total	% of Total	2026	2026	Total	% of Total	% Inc.
	10/23-9/24	23/24	10/24-9/25	24/25	23/24	Base	Usage	2025	2025	Base	Usage	2026	2026	COST
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North Babylon	53,310	1.40%	56,285	1.38%	5.58%	\$10,000	\$80,519	\$90,519	1.23%	\$10,000	\$84,257	\$94,257	1.42%	
North Shore	89,270	2.35%	98,709	2.42%	10.57%	\$10,000	\$134,833	\$144,833	2.43%	\$10,000	\$147,764	\$157,764	2.37%	
Northport	138,375	3.65%	145,890			\$10,000	\$209,002	\$219,002	3.47%	\$10,000	\$218,393	\$228,393	3.43%	
Patchogue-Medford	99,907	2.63%	108,236			\$10,000	\$150,900	\$160,900	2.64%	\$10,000	\$162,026	\$172,026	2.59%	
Port Jefferson	57,285	1.51%				\$10,000	\$86,523	\$96,523	1.63%	\$10,000	\$92,062	\$102,062	1.53%	
Ouogue	20,249	0.53%	23,359	0.57%	15.36%	\$10,000	\$30,584	\$40,584	0.64%	\$10,000	\$34,968	\$44,968	0.68%	
Riverhead	89,552	2.36%	95,890	2.35%	7.08%	\$10,000	\$135,259	\$145,259	2.29%	\$10,000	\$143,544	\$153,544	2.31%	
Rogers Memorial	77,078	2.03%	79,931	1.96%	3.70%	\$10,000	\$116,419	\$126,419	2.17%	\$10,000	\$119,654	\$129,654	1.95%	
Sachem	219,906	5.79%	239,043	5.86%		\$10,000	\$332,146	\$342,146	5.23%	\$10,000	\$357,840	\$367,840	5.53%	
Sayville	68,026	1.79%	74,207	1.82%	9.09%	\$10,000	\$102,747	\$112,747	1.89%	\$10,000	\$111,086	\$121,086	1.82%	
Shelter Island	25,054	0.66%	25,551	0.63%	1.98%	\$10,000	\$37,842	\$47,842	0.79%	\$10,000	\$38,249	\$48,249	0.73%	
Smithtown	339,210	8.94%	367,996	9.02%		\$10,000	\$512,343	\$522,343	8.52%	\$10,000	\$550,879	\$560 <u>,</u> 879	8.43%	
South Country	45,923	1.21%	48,522	1.19%	5.66%	\$10,000	\$69,362	\$79,362	1.31%	\$10,000	\$72,636	\$82,636	1.24%	
South Huntington	105,110	2.77%	110,308	2.70%	4.95%	\$10,000	\$158,758	\$168,758	2.65%	\$10,000	\$165,128	<u>\$175,128</u>	2.63%	
Southold	33,693	0.89%	38,252	0.94%	13.53%	\$10,000	\$50,890	\$60,890	0.98%	\$10,000	\$57,262	\$67,262	1.01%	
West Babylon	48,782	1.29%	51,759	1.27%	6.10%	\$10,000	\$73,680	\$83,680	1.34%	\$10,000	\$77,482	\$87,482	1.32%	
West Islip	70,189	1.85%	74,676	1.83%	6.39%	\$10,000	\$106,014	\$116,014	1.69%	\$10,000	\$111,788	<u>\$121,788</u>	1.83%	
Westhampton	69,860	1.84%	73,825	1.81%	5.68%	\$10,000	\$105,517	\$115,517	1.84%	\$10,000	\$110,514	\$120,514	1.81%	
Wyandanch	2,812	0.07%	3,067	0.08%	9.07%	\$10,000	\$4,247	\$14,247	0.23%	\$10,000	\$4,591	<u>\$14,591</u>	0.22%	
Total	3,795,916	100%	4,081,417	100%	7.52%	\$540,000	\$5,733,354	\$6,273,354	100%		\$6,109,755	\$6,649,755	100%	J
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31 October 2025

Mr. Mark Horowitz The North Babylon Public Library 815 Deer Park Ave. North Babylon, New York 11703

Re: Ductwork Modification Ouote No. NBPL25-2607

Mr. Harowitz,

As a result of our findings during a recent service visit, we are pleased to quote the following:

- Disconnect and cap One (1) existing supply ductwork branch line in Office Area.
- Furnish and install One (1) new 8" starter collar with damper.
 - a. New collar is to be cut into other air handler as discussed.
- Modify all supply ductwork as needed to run new line from supply grill to newly located air handler supply main.
- Balance newly installed supply branch line.

Our total net cost for the above work is Two Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$2,200.00), plus applicable tax.

Should you have any questions concerning the above, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Thank you for the opportunity to quote on this work.

For approval and authorization to proceed, please sign below and return to the undersigned.

Very Truly Yours,	Approved:	
D&S Mechanical Services, Inc.	Ву:	
Dail C. Call		
	Title:	
David E. Ozsvath	Date:	
President		

Report for the Board of Trustees November 18, 2025

Communications

SCLS has sent their 2026 final Budget to the Libraries for approval.

SCLS has also sent the ballots for their 2026 Trustee board.

Both items are included in this month's packet.

SCLS also sent the budget for downloadable books (Overdrive) for the 2026 calendar.

This is an automatic fee that we will be invoiced for in the spring.

Policy of the Month

None at this time.

Personnel

Interviews have started for the Adult Programming Librarian I position. The Board approved a new clerk position: Circulation/Technical Services Clerk. This is a full time position being split between the two departments. Letters were sent to candidates.

Buildings and Grounds/Expansion Update

We received a quote fix the air system in the new office for the computer technician. It is included in the packet for approval.

The fire alarm issues appear to be resolved. There was an issue with one of the sensors in the new elevator lift.

The fire marshal was here as part of our annual inspection with the school. We received our certificate of occupancy. We also received a clean fire alarm inspection from Briscoe. Lund completed our water backflow test and annual maintenance.

Security and Vandalism

We had a car in our parking lot with no license plates and not registered. I waited a little bit and then called the police in case it was abandoned or stolen. Afterschool a student returned for it and found a police summons on it.

Public Relations

Librarians are busy scheduling for the January-February 2026 newsletter.

Requests for Purchase

We have been busy reviewing, updating, and purchasing items needed in the Library. We are looking for a new couch for the play area in the Children's room.

We are preparing a new order for next year's Seed Library. As a result of the overwhelming response, this collection will be expanded.

Unmet Needs

With the support of the Library's Board of Trustees we are continuing the process of addressing issues presented by the staff and patrons of the North Babylon Public Library:

- Continuing to review changes and enhancements to the Children's Room
- Reviewing the materials fees for adult programs
- Adding a new Language collection (Languages other than English)
- Purchasing additional items for the Lending Library

Trustee Training

Trustees participated in the in-person Sexual Harassment training during the week of 11/4-11/6.

Other Items of Interest

The Board mailbox is currently at the Circulation desk.

The new public computers in the Reference area have been installed.

Staff chairs were replaced at the Circulation and Reference desks.

New video games were added to our Circulating collection.

Auditors were here to start the process of preparing our annual financial report. I expect them to attend our meeting in the next two months to review their final report with us.

Most of the staff have completed our in-person Sexual Harassment training. Some of the staff completed their training at other places of employment and submitted their certificates. I sent emails to the staff currently working who still need to complete the training. The email includes the online training link with directions and a reminder to send me their certificate upon completion.

Technical Services is preparing for the changes to our ordering and processing due to Baker & Taylor closing. Staff has attended webinars. All Libraries are expecting and are already seeing disruption to books not being delivered that were on reserve and ordered months ago.

Public vending machines have arrived. I am waiting for the supplies to be added for public and staff.

Respectfully submitted,

Maureen Nicolazzi, Librarian III

Reference Department October 2025 Report

The crafts classes have all filled with waitlists as usual. Yoga continues to have a steady attendance. Transitions Saxophone performed here. This group performed as part of a grant series they offered in Suffolk. Keith Crocker returned with a program on the History of Vampires in Cinema. The Department of Health is offering the series, Learn to be Tobacco Free. The teens had a Video Game Character Shrink craft and a Fruit Roll Up Book craft. Our community service programs included Chess Buddies, Bookmark Bonanza and Staying Safe.

There were 11 log ins for our 100 Books before Graduation Program. We had 76 items of food donated by our teens for community service credit. The teens and patrons of our community are always generous donating to the food pantry. Katrina posted 10 new videos on our YouTube channel. Our YouTube channel has received 1,534 views and its total subscribers are up by 1 to 68. Katrina worked on assembling and labeling the teen busy bags for teens to use in the library. They can "check them out" with a library card or school I.D. and return the contents back to us, keeping the craft if applicable. The bags include: DIY Bookmarks, 100 piece Puzzles, Velvet Paintings, Scratch Art, Origami, Small Lego Sets, DIY Suncatchers and DIY Friendship Bracelets. Stephanie left this month to begin her new position at the Brooklyn Public Library. Interviews have started to fill her position. We are adding the Guggenheim Museum and the Long Island Children's Museum to our Museum Passes collection. Kirsten, Aimee and Kim attended the Ingram services webinar. The webinar highlighted how Ingram services compare to Baker and Taylor. James updated and replaced most of the public computers in the Reference area. Patrons are complimenting their speed and look. New chairs were purchased for the Reference desk. The staff loves them. We reordered more Aquarium tickets. We now have phone chargers available to borrow in the Library. Patrons can ask for them at the Reference desk. Katrina took part in a workshop at SCLS about collection development where she presented concerning weeding in libraries. She also attended the LILRC's 34th Annual Conference on Libraries and The Future at the Heritage Club at Bethpage. I attended the Head of Reference meeting at the Patchogue Medford Library. I also attended the Legislative Breakfast at the Babylon Library.

The Adult displays included "New Movies" (DVD Display), Breast Cancer Awareness Month (Book Display) and "Halloween" (Book Display). The two Teen book displays were "Read Banned Books" which featured

banned and frequently challenged books in honor of banned book week October 5-11 of this year and "Spooky Reads for Spooky Season" which featured horror themed books for Halloween.

Respectfully submitted,

Maureen Nicolazzi







October, 2025 Children's Department Monthly Report

Preschool Story Time programs were held in the Children's Room on Fridays, October 3 and 24, and Wednesdays, October 15, and 22. Children aged two through five and their adults had fun listening to stories, engaging in activities, and making a craft to take home.

Saturday Games program was held in the Children's Room on Saturday, October 4. Many games were placed out to accommodate different interests and developmental levels, so that there was "something for everyone." The program is appropriate for preschool aged children and up, and their families.

On Monday, October 6, the program Tots Night Out-Down On the Farm was held in the Auditorium for children eighteen through five years. The attending children and their adults always have fun participating in musical-movement activities, listening to stories, and making a craft to take home.

Chess Club met in the Children's Room on Tuesdays, October 7 and 28. During the program children practice playing with other players of their same age group. The children enjoy the availability of teen volunteers to help them with any questions, and give guidance. The program is appropriate for children in grades one through five (with the occasional five-year old.)

Lego Fun program was held in the Children's Room on Wednesday, October 8 for children in grades one through five. The children's Lego creations are proudly displayed in the Library's lobby showcase.

The program Catching Colors-Red was held in the Children's Room on Thursday, October 9 for children aged eighteen months through four years. During the program little ones have fun participating in educational activities.

Drop-In Surprise Craft program was held on Friday, October 10 in the Children's Room. Crafts are available for children preschool age through fifth grade to make and take home.

Family Story Time was held in the Children's Room on Saturday, October 11. Children from birth and up enjoy stories, activities, a craft, and more with Librarian Marylou Famiglietti.

Sleepy Time Tales was held in the Children's Room for children aged one through five on Tuesday, October 14. The program was run by Librarian Lauren Edzards, and includes bedtime stories, activities, and music.

On Wednesday, October 15 the program Chocolate Halloween House was held in the Auditorium for children in grades kindergarten through fifth grade. Children had fun decorating their pre-poured houses with icing, candies, and sprinkles for a delicious holiday treat to take home.

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The program Video Game Character Shrinky was held in the Meeting Room on Wednesday, October 15 for children in grades four through eight. Video game fans enjoyed creating their favorite characters out of shrink film to take home.

Drop-In Play Date programs were held on Thursdays, October 16 and 23 in the Children's Room. Children aged one through five enjoyed age-appropriate toys, puzzles and color sheets with their adults. Attending children also enjoyed the company of other children of the same age group.

On Friday, October 17 the program Imagination Station was held in the Children's Room for children of preschool age through fifth grade. Children have access to various crafting materials to use their imagination with and be creative.

The program Stories and Stretches was held in the Auditorium on Saturday, October 18 for children aged two through five. Children participated in the stories being told by acting out the characters, scenery, and action taking place, with child yoga poses.

Paint Night-Ghost in The Moonlight program was held in the Auditorium for children in kindergarten through fifth grade. During the program children received step-by-step instruction to create a fun, Halloween themed painting to take home and treasure.

On Tuesday, October 21 the program Just Baby & Me was held in the Children's Room for newborns through eighteen months. During the program little ones and their adults participated in musical activities, used simple instruments, enjoyed lap-time rhymes, finger plays, classic nursery rhymes, puppets, bubbles and a free play time with age-appropriate toys.

The program Owl Pillow: Look Whoos Got Mail was held in the Auditorium for children in kindergarten through fifth grade. The children enjoyed creating a decorative felt owl pillow with golden jewel eyes, complete with a special letter addressed to a certain young wizard (or, other wizard of their choice.)



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Baby Start program was held in the Children's Room on Saturday, October 25 for little ones aged birth through seventeen months. Emphasis is placed on age-appropriate activities that help with early language development, early literacy, and socialization. Music and movement, finger-plays and rhymes, are also employed.

Family Yoga program was held in the Auditorium on Saturday, October 25 for children aged five through eight with their adult(s). The program includes yoga stories, games, and songs, along with yoga poses for the children to practice with their adults. All levels of experience are welcome to participate.

On Monday, October 27, the Mysteries of Owls program was held in the Children's Room for children, teens and adults. Sweetbriar Nature Center presented local owls (screech, great-horned, barred) and also two other owls: an Eurasian eagle owl, and a spectacled owl. The audience totally enjoyed meeting these owls, learning about them, listening to audio recordings of their calls, and much more. At the end of the program, audience members had a photo-op session taking pictures with the owls.

Drop-In Halloween Crafts program was held in the Children's Room on Wednesday, October 29 for children of pre-kindergarten age through fifth grade. Different decorative and fun Halloween crafts were available for the children to make and take home.

Halloween Scavenger Hunt program was held in the Children's Room for preschool aged children, and children through fifth grade. Participants searched around the room with a check-list to find spooky Halloween characters, and brought their findings to the Children's reference desk for a Halloween-themed prize.

On Friday, October 31, the Children's Room held its annual Halloween Concert and Parade for preschoolers. After a fun and interactive musical concert filled with activities for the children, the performer led the children on a lively, and musical (Halloween songs) parade with trick-or-treating around the library!



Submitted by,

Elizabeth Arena Head of Children's Services

PERSONNEL REPORT NOVEMBER 2025

Jesiah Bond, Library Page, increment of \$0.50 effective 10/22/2025 (\$17.00/hr.)