

## 2024/2025 Budget Information for Voters

Tax levy increase from 2023/24: \$39,682  
Total request from tax levy: \$1,689,343  
Total budget from all sources: \$1,898,743  
Total budget increase from all sources: \$49,682

The proposed increase is \$39,682 from property tax support over the 2023/2024 appropriation.

The proposed increase, if approved by voters, will be applied to increased operating costs, maintaining library collections and services, computer access, library programs, access to collections, and services via our web site.

### *How is the money used?*

To sustain library operations and provide services.

**In 2023**— 88,632 people visited the library.  
24,349 people have library cards.  
171,560 items were borrowed (does not include digital).  
18,220 reference questions were answered.  
10,258 adults, children, teens and families attended 286 library programs.  
216,921 WiFi Sessions

### Library services include:

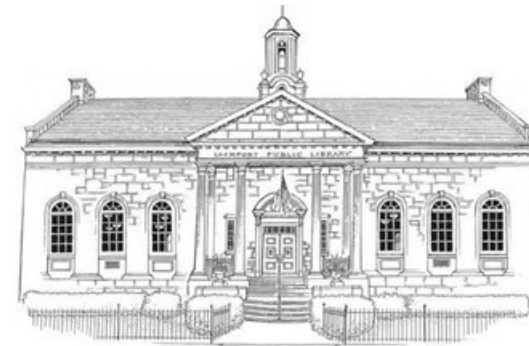
- A broad collection of materials including a variety of formats: books, large print books, CDs, DVDs & BluRays, audio books, magazines, and downloadable e-books, magazines, music and audio books, as well as personalized service to help you find information.
- Access to the Internet and online databases, including a wireless connection for people with electronic devices.
- A community meeting room that serves over 80 organizations at no cost.
- An offering of programs at no cost for children, teens and adults.
- A community gathering place to read, think, create and communicate.

## Lockport Public Library Budget Vote

**April 11, 2024 9:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.**  
2024/25 proposed budget

**Public Information Meeting**  
**March 27, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.**  
**Community Meeting Room**

**You must be a registered voter in the  
Lockport City School District to vote.**



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716-433-5935  
FAX 716-439-0198  
[www.lockportlibrary.org](http://www.lockportlibrary.org)

	2023/2024 Approved	2024/2025 Proposed	Yr to Yr Change
<b>Income:</b>			
Property Tax	1,649,661	1,689,343	39,682
Other Gov't Revenue	63,000	73,000	10,000
Library Charges	10,000	10,000	0
Other Revenue	126,400	126,400	0
<b>Total Revenue (incr/(decr))</b>	<b>\$1,849,061</b>	<b>\$1,898,743</b>	<b>\$49,682</b>

<b>Expenses:</b>			
Public Service Staff	810,000	843,000	33,000
Custodial Staff	120,000	122,000	2,000
Personnel Benefits	335,000	354,000	19,000
Materials Expense	201,061	204,743	3,682
Library Program Supplies	2,500	2,500	0
Online Circulation/Catalog	33,000	33,000	0
Computer Expense incl. Maint	52,000	49,000	(3,000)
Utilities	61,900	61,900	0
Bldg. Repairs & Maint	81,000	76,000	(5,000)
Furniture & Equipment	4,000	4,000	0
Office & Library Supplies	14,500	14,500	0
Telephone & Communications	9,000	9,000	0
Insurances	31,000	31,000	0
Freight & Postage	6,000	6,000	0

	2023/2024 Approved	2024/2025 Proposed	Yr to Yr Change
<b>Expenses:</b>			
Printing & Publicity	4,000	4,000	0
Security Costs	34,000	34,000	0
Professional Fees	39,000	39,000	0
Other Operating Expenses	11,100	11,100	0
	<b>\$1,849,061</b>	<b>\$1,898,743</b>	<b>\$49,682</b>

#### ABOUT THE VOTE:

The Small Cities School District law allows you to vote on any increase in the annual appropriation from tax levy for the Lockport Public Library. The vote is held every year.

**This is not a new tax.** The library has always received most of its funding from taxes.

#### THE LIBRARY BUDGET PROPOSITION:

The Lockport Public Library is a school district library, which means that it is chartered to serve the same geographic location as the school district. It receives most of its funding from taxes raised by the tax levy. The Library Board of Trustees has proposed an increase of \$39,682 in the tax levy to support the library's operating budget for fiscal year 2024/2025. This is the amount allowable under the Tax Cap. **You are voting "yes" or "no" on the proposed increase.**