



# Patchogue-Medford Library Budget Vote & Trustee Election

This year the Library Board is proposing a 2% increase.

	<b>Current 2024-2025</b>	<b>Proposed 2025-2026</b>
<b>LIBRARY MATERIALS</b>	589,600	589,600
<b>LIBRARY CLASSES AND EVENTS</b>	300,000	304,978
<b>LIBRARY OPERATIONS</b>		
Furniture & Computer Equipment	105,840	107,957
Supplies	64,940	65,899
Professional Fees	55,150	57,507
Computer Services	120,840	131,000
Furniture & Equipment Maintenance	29,500	29,500
Postage	18,000	21,000
Staff Development	25,400	25,900
Printing/Public Information	45,000	49,000
Cooperative Services	100,000	100,000
Mileage	3,500	3,500
Unclassified	750	750
<b>BUILDING AND MAINTENANCE</b>		
Electricity	115,000	115,000
Water	4,570	4,570
Telecommunications	65,000	71,000
Fuel	25,500	26,010
Sanitation Services	65,280	65,280
Building Equipment & Maintenance	115,000	117,300
Insurance	123,000	123,000
Sewer Assessment	28,000	28,000
<b>EMPLOYEE SALARIES</b>	5,436,008	5,497,198
<b>EMPLOYEE BENEFITS</b>		
NYS Retirement	637,500	650,250
Social Security	387,600	398,820
Health Insurance	1,080,000	1,131,600
Unemployment Insurance	10,200	10,200
Disability Insurance	7,500	7,500
Workers Compensation	58,218	58,218
<b>TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET</b>	9,616,896	9,790,537
Less Anticipated Revenues	65,000	135,000
Transfer from fund balance	92,305	
Amount to be raised by taxes	9,459,591	9,655,537



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**ONLY AT THE MAIN LIBRARY**

**Tuesday, April 8**

Stop by from 9:30 am-8 pm to cast your paper ballot. Budget information can be found on the back page.

## Public Information Meeting

**Tuesday, April 1 at 6 pm**

## A WORD FROM THE CANDIDATES

### Elizabeth (Betsy) Kennedy



From the Summer Reading Program as a child, to the countless hours spent flipping through musical scores in the non-fiction section of the adult department, the library has always been an important institution in my life! The comfort I have felt in the library amongst the books played a huge part in my decision to become an English teacher as well, something I have done for 20 years and counting at Brentwood High School. In addition, I have watched my son, who is now 14, love the library: attending programs in the Children's Department, playing in the video game tournaments hosted by the Library Staff and now going to the Carnegie Building with his friends.

For the past ten years, I have found such joy and satisfaction from being on the Library Board. Seeing all the wonderful and enriching experiences that the Pat Med Library staff do to help the community has been inspiring. Also, getting to play a part in furthering the mission of the Library as much as I can has been one of the highlights of my life. I hope to be given the opportunity to continue serving on the Board and helping the Library grow in all of its future endeavors!

### Amanda Sanford



As a life-long resident of Patchogue, I have truly enjoyed growing up within this community; I attended Patchogue-Medford public schools, and then went on to complete my undergraduate degree at the St. Joseph's University's Patchogue campus. Since graduating with my Bachelor's in Psychology, I have worked within SJNY's Tutoring and Academic Development Office, helping students to realize their academic potential and achieve their goals in college.

As a part of my social work degree, I have had the privilege of interning within the Patchogue-Medford Library. Library social workers play a vital role in working with the community to access services and to help people with an issue they may be experiencing. My time at the library has allowed me to serve our community, and to understand the crucial role that the library has in Patchogue-Medford.

Our library is truly the hub of our community; so many people come through the library's doors and the library is able to provide programming, resources, books and knowledge, and information to everyone. As our library continues to grow, it would be my privilege to serve on the board. As a new social worker and a member of this community, I am excited to use my skills and passion to be part of the library's mission and service.

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