

**OCEANSIDE LIBRARY  
PROPOSED OPERATING BUDGET  
JULY 1, 2019 - JUNE 30, 2020**

	<b>BUDGET 2018/2019</b>	<b>PROPOSED 2019/2020</b>
<b>RECEIPTS</b>		
State Aid	10,000	10,000
Applied Balance	120,000	90,000
Other Income	40,000	80,000
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>170,000</b>	<b>180,000</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>		
<b>PERSONNEL</b>	<b>2,209,537</b>	<b>2,305,168</b>
<b>BENEFITS</b>		
Retirement	325,000	300,000
Social Security	177,000	180,000
Mandated Benefits	781,730	811,000
<b>LIBRARY SERVICES</b>		
Books	187,000	187,000
Media	59,150	85,000
Subscriptions	22,000	22,000
Electronic Searching	49,000	49,000
Lib. Auto. System	60,359	62,215
Lib. Sys Support	30,979	29,138
Info./Programs	109,000	109,000
Computer Maint.	20,000	20,000
Puzzles/Toys	1,000	1,000
<b>ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONS</b>		
Library Supplies	38,000	38,000
Telephone	17,100	17,100
Printing/Postage	26,500	30,500
Prof. Fees/Contracts	49,620	49,620
Prof. Development	10,100	12,100
Office Equip.	64,785	74,385
<b>BUILDING MAINTENANCE</b>		
Utilities	87,000	85,000
Custodial Supplies	15,000	15,000
Repair to Equipment/Building & Grounds	39,000	39,000
Insurance	45,000	40,000
Service Contracts	32,893	33,127
<b>CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS</b>		
	20,500	20,500
<b>DEBT SERVICE</b>	<b>316,489</b>	<b>315,914</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>4,793,742</b>	<b>4,930,767</b>
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>-170,000</b>	<b>-180,000</b>
<b>NET TAXES REQUIRED</b>	<b>4,623,742</b>	<b>4,750,767</b>

**BUDGET HEARING**

**Wednesday, May 8 // 7:30 pm**  
School #6 Auditorium (Kindergarten Center), 25 Castleton Ct.

**OCEANSIDE LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

The Oceanside Library is an independent agency and is not associated with any other board or governmental agency. Its Board of Trustees is solely responsible for the administration and policies of the Library. Trustees receive no compensation and pay taxes at the regular rate. The budget is prepared by the seven-member Board of Trustees with the help of the library staff and is voted upon independently by residents of the Oceanside School District. By law, the School District acts as tax agent for the Library.

**LIBRARY BUDGET VOTE (Proposition #2)**

**Tuesday, May 21 // 7 am -9 pm**

Residents are registered and eligible to vote if they:

1. Voted or registered for a School District election held after January 1, 2013, or
2. Are registered to vote with the County Board of Elections for the General Election.

To register, a person must be a citizen of the United States, at least 18 years old, and a resident of this district for at least 30 days at the time of the election. To vote, report to the School Election District where you are registered.

Registration of voters shall take place during the hours of 9am-4pm, Monday to Friday throughout the year at the office of the District Clerk provided that such registration shall not take place less than five (5) days prior to any school district election.

**ABSENTEE BALLOTS**

Applications may be obtained from the District Clerk, 145 Merle Avenue. Applications must be returned to the District Clerk at least seven (7) days before the election if the ballot is to be mailed or by the day before the election if the ballot is to be delivered by hand. The ballot must be received by the District Clerk by 5pm on the day of the election. For more information, please call the District Clerk's office at 678-8580.

**PROPOSITION #2**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Oceanside Union Free School District shall increase its contract with the Oceanside Library Association for the period July 1, 2019 to and including June 30, 2020 providing for free Library services as is particularly described in said written contract for the sum of \$126,025 and that sum, together with the sum of \$4,624,742 heretofore authorized, for a total of \$4,750,767 to be appropriated to meet the payments due under said contract and that taxes shall be levied, assessed, and collected against the taxable property of the School District for the ensuing year for above purposes.



Patrons with their Paint Night masterpieces!

## BUDGET MESSAGE FOR 2019-2020 FROM THE DIRECTOR

I am pleased to report that this year's Library budget stays within the New York State tax cap, without diminishing any of the resources, programs or services we are providing to the Oceanside community.

We have developed an incredible team here at the Library, and the continued support of the Board and the public has made it possible for us to soar on many different levels.

This year saw a number of changes and innovations:

- We started a major project to increase circulation by making it easier for you to find and borrow materials. We modified how we display and circulate materials. You may have noticed the new displays (many of which we obtained free from a Barnes & Noble store that was closing in Staten Island), and the new way we are displaying books on our shelves. We have modernized many rules regarding the borrowing of materials, and we continue to expand our readers advisory services, book discussions, and fun reading-based promotions (like our Take a Book on a Blind Date). Early results indicate success!
- We revamped our Museum Pass program, allowing patrons to reserve and download passes online, and we added several new museums to our program.
- Our programming continues to be a model for modern libraries. The number of programs, program attendance, and the diversity of our programming, continues to grow at a record pace. Last year almost 38,000 patrons attended over 1950 sessions of programs. We have created and expanded programs for our adult and youth special needs community, seniors, 20-somethings, and emerging Americans. We have partnered with dozens of local businesses and organizations to provide programming and opportunities for all, including programs both in and outside the library walls. We offer programming spanning all interests: science, health, job search, small business, finance, government, lectures, history, theatre and music, writing, and more. We have addressed current issues, including the new reassessment system, dementia, active shooters, and consumer scams, and we have continued our commitment to combatting the opioid crisis. Our new "Connections" series features a growing number of programs targeting loneliness (a condition the Center for Disease Control calls an epidemic), by putting people in situations where they interact person-to-person, where they have opportunities to talk and share ideas and experiences.
- Thanks to a recent grant arranged by Trustee Pat Roth, we have drastically increased our tech offerings for children and teens, added Kindles for circulation, and added video capability in several areas. Thanks to the Friends of the Oceanside Library, we have been able to enhance our Summer Reading Clubs and annual contests, and hold major events, such as our first OceanCon and the Human Library. The continued support of the Kiwanis Club of Oceanside allows us to hold our annual Dr. Seuss Birthday Bash, one of the highlights of our year.
- Behind the scenes we have restructured our banking to reduce costs and increase income, and we are taking steps to modernize many other back-office systems. We have increased staff training, utilizing the first Tuesday each month to provide our staff with the skills they need to address the many issues which arise in a library servicing a wide range of patrons.
- We have received "bullet aid" through Assemblywoman Missy Miller (which we are using to enhance security and provide social opportunities for adults with special needs), and a construction aid package through Senator Todd Kaminsky: you will be seeing work on our sidewalks, parking lots, and outside lighting in the months to come. We are also working with an architect to address key structural needs; we hope to start a public process to define our needs and the best way to address them, in the months to come.

Included in this year's proposed budget are funds to revamp our website, to increase efficiency in the processing of materials, to enhance our book clubs, and to increase our books and resources available online. We will also continue both our circulation project and our program expansion.

I am proud to be the Director of the Oceanside Library. I am blessed to lead an amazing team of librarians, clerks, pages, programmers, and custodians, and to have such a supportive and progressive Board. But most of all, I am thrilled to have the support of the Oceanside community and the wonderful patrons who utilize our services. With your continued support, we will serve our mission every day for years to come.

Christina Marra, Oceanside Library Director

### **NOTICE OF ANNUAL ASSOCIATION MEETING:**

**Tuesday, April 30 // 8 pm**

The Oceanside Library Association is the governing body of the Library, and residents are urged to join in order to participate in Library elections. Incumbent trustees Patricia Roth & Ellen Sullivan are each running for another five-year term. Membership in the Association is free and open to any resident of the Oceanside School District who is a registered voter. To vote at the Association meeting, members must be registered to vote with the Nassau County Board of Elections 30 days prior to the meeting date. In the event of a contested election, polls will be open from 9:30am through 8:00pm. Absentee ballots will be available from the Association Administrative Assistant for individuals with a documented inability to appear at the polls due to permanent illness or disability; or because you are a resident or patient of a Veterans Health Administration Hospital, or in the active military service. The purpose of the meeting is to elect Trustees and officers, approve minutes, and conduct such other business as necessary.