HALF HOLLOW HILLS

COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Library Budget Vote/Trustee Election

Tuesday, April 8, 2025 | 9:30 AM-9 PM at 55 Vanderbilt Parkway

La información sobre la elección del fideicomisario y el voto del presupuesto de 2025-2026 está disponible en hhhlibrary.org

YOUR

COUNTS

Summary of Proposed 2025-26 Library Budget

The Library Trustees are presenting a proposed 2025-2026 budget *within the New York State tax cap.*

Expenses	Approved 2024-25	Proposed 2025-26
Salaries & Benefits	\$6,097,657	\$6,831,004
Library Materials	\$731,913	\$743,200
Building & Computer Equipment	\$110,000	\$95,000
Programs & Publicity	\$309,611	\$322,184
Continuing Education	\$57,000	\$57,000
Operations	\$993,142	\$983,753
Transfer to Capital	\$500,000	\$16,000
Debt Service	\$350,000	\$350,000
Total	\$9,149,323	\$9,398,141

Revenue	Approved 2024-25	Proposed 2025-26
Tax Levy	\$8,937,523	\$9,139,241
Passports	\$5,000	\$0
Copier/ Sale of Material	\$3,500	\$3,500
Interest	\$86,800	\$138,900
Donations	\$2,500	\$2,500
Local Government & Library Aid	\$114,000	\$114,000
Total	\$9,149,323	\$9,398,141

2025-2026 Library Budget Vote & Trustee Election Information

Absentee Ballots/Early Voting Applications:

Applications for absentee ballots may be obtained from Dix Hills and Melville buildings or at the Library website, hhhlibrary.org. For additional information, please call **631-498-1250**.

Public Information Meeting:

A public information meeting will be held on Monday, March 24, 2025 at 7:30 PM at the Dix Hills building.

Voter Registration Day:

Visit us at the Dix Hills building on Tuesday, April 1 from 9:30 AM–9 PM to register to vote. Fill out a registration form and we will send it to the Suffolk County Board of Elections.

2024 by the Numbers



Number of Patrons Who Visited Us

232,087



Community Groups

2,055



New Library Cards

3,046



Community Group Attendance

21,668



Database Usage

244,375



Events

2,276



eBooks/ Audiobooks Downloads

229,283



Event Attendance 50,673



Half Hollow Hills Community Library

55 Vanderbilt Parkway Dix Hills, NY 11746

hhhlibrary.org

Dix Hills

Monday - Friday: 9:30 AM-9 PM Saturday: 9:30 AM-5 PM Sunday: 12 PM-5 PM **55 Vanderbilt Parkway Dix Hills, NY 11746** 631-421-4530

Library Board of Trustees

Larry Bloomstein, Joyce E. Bush, Jacob Goldman, Wayne Griffith, Gregory Laub

Editor: Sharron McDevitt

Melville

Monday - Thursday: 9:30 AM-9 PM Friday & Saturday: 9:30 AM-5 PM **Sunday:** Closed **510 Sweet Hollow Road** Melville, NY 11747 631-421-4535

Administration

Director:

Margie Hartough **Assistant Director:** Chris DeCristofaro



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2025-2026 Budget Issue

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Candidate for Trustee Gregory Laub

Gregory Laub began his engagement with the HHH Library at age 16. He held various positions and is currently the board president. He was recently appointed to the board of the Library Trustee Section of the New York Library Association. His experience in library leadership and operations makes him uniquely qualified to continue serving the community as an effective trustee.

"I am honored to be running for re-election and am grateful to currently serve as board president. I look forward to continuing to work with my fellow trustees to deliver a library that serves our diverse community. I credit the library for assisting with my academic and professional success. I look forward to ensuring others have the same opportunity."

Candidate for Trustee Chanel Parris

Chanel Parris is a lifelong Wheatley Heights

resident & graduate of Half Hollow Hills East. She attended Dowling College and has been an educator at Wyandanch School District since 2009, where she also coached the cheerleading team and supports cultural programs. Active in the Half Hollow Hills PTA, Chanel is passionate about reading and regularly participates in library programs. As a Library Trustee, she would be committed to securing funding to enhance local buildings and programs, ensuring they meet the needs of the diverse community. Chanel lives with her husband of 15 years and their three children, including 12-year-old twins and

Events of the Day

The Retirement **Village People**

7 PM (DH) Ages Retirement Village People 18 and up



An encore performance of this hilarious group performing song parodies of your favorite rock, pop and show tunes to reflect "Senior Living."

Love You A Latte Brownies 7 PM (DH) Ages 18 and up **Presented by A Mano Baking**

Company, LLC Dark Chocolate Mocha Brownies

for that special someone! Must bring a mixing bowl and utensil. Cost: \$5



6 PM-6:45 PM (DH) Grades K-3 Peep on in to create pastel bunnies with Ms. Nicole.



Community Service Drop In: Design Plant Markers for the Seed Library 6 PM-8 PM (DH) Grades 6-12 Stop by and decorate plant markers for our seed library.

What You Need to Know to Vote

a 2-year-old, and is dedicated to fostering educational growth and

- O. Where do I vote?
- A. Vote at the library in Dix Hills on Tuesday, April 8 from 9:30 AM-9 PM.
- Q. Who is eligible to vote?

community engagement.

- A. All residents of the HHH School District who are currently registered to vote are eligible to vote in the HHH Library budget vote & trustee election. Call Election Clerk Rosemarie Menta at 631-498-1250 for more information.
- Q. I will be away on April 8. Can I get an absentee ballot or vote early?
- **A.** Yes, if you are unable to vote in person, you may apply for an absentee ballot/early voting. Applications for absentee ballots/early voting are available in the library at the Dix Hills building or download at hhhlibrary.org.
- Q. Does the budget comply with the tax cap?
- A. Yes, the State Comptroller's Office sets the maximum percentage and this budget is in compliance.