

Annual Library Vote

Tuesday, April 14, 2026 9:00 a.m.–9:00 p.m.

The library's annual vote will be for two purposes: to vote on the library budget for 2026–2027 and to elect one trustee for a five-year term commencing July 1, 2026 and ending on June 30, 2031.

Important Voting Facts:

Public Information Meeting—

Tuesday, March 31, 7:30 p.m.
Northport building

Who Can Vote—Anyone who is

1. at least 18 years of age
2. a citizen of the United States
3. a resident of the Northport-East Northport School District for at least 30 days
4. registered to vote

If you have not voted within four years in a general, school, or library election, registration is required. You need to register prior to April 3 in person or by mail with the Suffolk County Board of Elections in Yaphank. Applications are available in both library buildings. Registration for library and school district elections only may be made in person on or before April 3 at the office of the School District Clerk, 158 Laurel Avenue, Northport, Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. any day that school is in session.

Absentee Ballot and Early Mail Applications are available 30 days prior to the vote in both library buildings.

We appreciate all of you [the Library] so much! Thank you for creating such a safe and loving place for our community. Your work matters!

C. Juliano, Community Member

Libraries Hold Communities Together

Libraries are publicly supported spaces that help hold communities together. They do far more than provide access to books and information. Libraries offer companionship and routine for older adults at risk of isolation, safe and enriching environments for children and teens, and language learning and settlement support for newcomers. They are also among the last truly open public places—welcoming people regardless of income, housing status, or background. A public library is not a luxury; it is a lifeline. Protecting and expanding library services ensures that everyone has access to knowledge, connection, and a shared public life.

Library Board of Trustees

Carolyn McQuade, President

Lisa Herskowitz Jacqueline Elsas Margaret Hartough Michelle Glennon

Things to love at the Library:

Learning to drive
defensively.



Saving trees
by shredding
and recycling
paper.



Joining a
Book
Group.



Participating
in
community
outreach.



Reading to
a four-legged
friend in a
Paws to Read program.



Scavenger hunting
in the Children's
Department.



Teens volunteering
their time to help
others.



Being creative with a Teen
Take and Make Kit.



Getting a new library card.



Selecting seeds from the
Seed Library in spring.

Enjoying a summertime
Courtyard Concert.

Receiving the
library
eNewsletter.



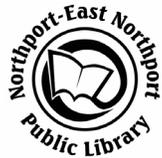
Checking out a free
Museum Pass.

Gaining technology skills
in a computer class.

Having coffee with
friends at the
Library Café.



... and so much more!



Library Activities 2024/2025*

22,710 residents in the community have library cards

295,016 visits were made to the Library

9,248 visits were made to the Library Courtyard

The Library has

97,007 books for adults

77,867 books for children

67,457 DVDs, compact discs, audiobooks, video games, and Playaways

Our programs entertained, educated, and enriched

10,886 adults

2,519 teens

25,085 children

95,441 reference questions were answered

43,615 asked by adults

3,290 asked by teens

48,536 asked by children

326,558 items were checked out

52,523 items were interlibrary loaned

157,146 items were downloaded

96,215 patrons used the library's Internet access

12,189 patrons used the library's computer software

29,199 items were purchased from the Library Café

689,100 visits were made to the library website and social media

*Statistical report June 2025

Your Community Library Proposed Library Budget 2026/2027

	APPROVED BUDGET <u>2025/2026</u>	PROPOSED BUDGET <u>2026/2027</u>
LIBRARY MATERIALS & PROGRAMS		
Books, Periodicals & Electronic Resources	599,600	592,300
DVDs, CDs, Audiobooks	136,700	113,400
Adult, Young Adult & Children's Programming	195,300	196,900
LIBRARY OPERATIONS		
Computer Hardware & Software	76,100	76,600
Online Public Access Catalog & Circulation Control	55,500	63,200
Telecommunications	57,500	65,300
Equipment	40,200	26,500
Office & Library Supplies	48,000	62,100
Café Supplies, NYS Sales Tax	40,700	38,000
Printing & Postage	83,200	77,300
Professional Development & Training	36,800	37,700
Accounting & Legal Fees	106,700	105,000
SCLS Plan of Service Participation	75,900	78,200
LIBRARY BUILDINGS & MAINTENANCE		
Fuels & Utilities	169,600	170,300
Facilities Repairs & Improvements	61,400	74,900
Maintenance Supplies	29,200	27,900
Building & Equipment Service Contracts	258,700	259,800
Insurance	117,900	127,100
EMPLOYEE SALARIES		
Sunday & Holiday	147,900	168,600
Professional	3,183,200	3,291,500
Clerical/Technical, Café & Library Pages	1,904,600	1,983,600
Custodial & Security	571,600	646,500
MANDATED & EMPLOYEE BENEFITS		
Social Security	438,600	461,500
Retirement, Deferred Compensation	895,300	1,030,000
Health Insurance, Disability & Group Life	1,509,000	1,686,800
CAPITAL & TECHNOLOGICAL IMPROVEMENTS	<u>76,700</u>	<u>25,000</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	10,915,900	11,486,000
ANTICIPATED REVENUE		
Fines & Fees	15,000	17,400
Interest, Library System Grant	210,400	310,400
Café	40,800	45,000
Unrestricted Fund Appropriation	<u>100,000</u>	<u>168,000</u>
TOTAL REVENUE	366,200	540,800
TOTAL TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION	10,549,700	10,945,200*

*This amount is less than the property tax levy limit set by New York State for the Library.