



*The Past*

## **Florida Public Library**

**Budget Information**

**Vote: Tuesday, May 15, 2001**

**S. S. Seward Institute**

**6 a.m. – 9 p.m.**



*The Present*

*The Future*





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Dear Florida Public Library Resident,

This brochure will provide you with the needed information to make an informed decision on the proposed \$226,535 Library Budget. This budget will be presented to the voters on Tuesday, May 15, 2001. Library Trustees will also be elected at this time.

In October 2000, a wish came true for Florida Library Residents—**THE GRAND OPENING OF THE NEW FLORIDA PUBLIC LIBRARY**. What a wonderful event this was for our community! After much hard work and community effort, we now have a wonderful new building that will provide all of our residents with new programs and a library that will lead our young people into the coming century.

Community donations have helped us to purchase new furniture, shelving, computers, and additional library materials. Good money management over the past several years enabled the Board of Trustees to make a \$100,000 payment to the Village of Florida as part of the construction cost of the library.

Our current long-term lease with the Village is a rent-purchase agreement. In order to save taxpayer money, we have added a new budget line – Building Loan. The two budget lines, Rent and Building Loan, represent the bulk of this year's budget increase and reflect our determination to finance building construction in the most cost effective and common sense way to save tax dollars. Allocation of these funds this year and next will insure free and clear ownership of the building in two years and avoid high interest payments.

The lease agreement specifies that after the building loan is paid, our annual rent to the Village will be \$1.00. We are extremely grateful to the Village Trustees for this generous commitment to library services for the community and for their leadership in assuming the initial construction costs.

Please take the time to read this brochure and study the proposed new budget. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact one of the trustees or the Library Director.

**FLORIDA PUBLIC LIBRARY**  
**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

# FLORIDA PUBLIC LIBRARY SERVICES

## EXPANDED HOURS

~ Open every day, including two evenings per week ~

## COLLECTIONS

~ Expansion of all collections of materials ~

## PROGRAMS FOR ALL AGES

- ~ Toddler Rhymetime ~ Preschool Storytime ~ Campfire Storytelling ~
- ~ Chess Instruction and Chess Club for Grade 1 – Adult ~
- ~ Adult Book Discussions ~ Cooking Classes ~
- ~ Local History & Art Displays ~ Black Dirt Storytelling Guild ~
- ~ Financial Programs ~ Spanish Homework Help ~ Visiting Entertainers ~
- ~ Health & Beauty Series for Teens ~ Author Visits & Book Signings ~
- ~ The Great New York Readaloud & National Library Week Celebrations ~

## COMPUTERS & TECHNOLOGY

- ~ Computer Training Sessions for all ages ~ Public Internet Access ~
- ~ Electronic Library Catalog ~ E-mail Notification of Materials on Hold ~
- ~ Home Page & links to member libraries of the Ramapo Catskill Library System ~
- ~ Inter-Library Loans within Ramapo Catskill & from other library systems ~

## COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROGRAMS

- ~ Summer Reading Program in partnership with Village Recreation Program ~
- ~ School Summer Reading Lists & Readers Advisory for all ages ~
- ~ English & Award Winning Bilingual Bookstart Programs ~
- ~ Outreach to Florida A.B.C.D. ~ Adult Literacy Program and Collection ~

## FRIENDS OF THE FLORIDA PUBLIC LIBRARY

- ~ Active Volunteer Organization with membership open to all ~
- ~ Annual Seward's Birthday Celebration ~ Library Wish List ~
- ~ New & Used Book Sales (Donations accepted anytime at the Library) ~



## **Tax Payment Example**

The following tables provide examples of the estimated tax increase for the proposed 2001/2002 Florida Public Library Budget. The examples are based on the average assessed value tax rate increase per one thousand dollars of assessed value.

### **Town of Goshen**

If you live in the Town of Goshen, the assessed value of your home is approximately the full value. The projected average assessed value tax increase per one thousand dollars of assessed value is twenty-eight cents. The tax rate for the 2000 budget was fifty-two cents per one thousand dollars of assessed value.

| Assessed Value | Tax Increase per One Thousand | 2000/2001 Budget | Monthly Payment |
|----------------|-------------------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| \$120,000      | \$0.28                        | \$96.00          | \$8.00          |
| \$160,000      | \$0.28                        | \$128.00         | \$10.67         |
| \$200,000      | \$0.28                        | \$160.00         | \$13.33         |

### **Town of Warwick**

If you live in the Town of Warwick, your assessed value is a fraction of the full value of your home. The projected average assessed value tax increase per one thousand dollars of assessed value is one dollar nine cents. The tax rate for the 2000 budget was two dollars five cents per one thousand dollars of assessed value.

| Assessed Value | Tax Increase per One Thousand | 2000/2001 Budget | Monthly Payment |
|----------------|-------------------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| \$30,000       | \$1.09                        | \$94.20          | \$7.85          |
| \$40,000       | \$1.09                        | \$125.60         | \$10.47         |
| \$50,000       | \$1.09                        | \$157.00         | \$13.08         |

## 2001/02 PROPOSED BUDGET - FLORIDA PUBLIC LIBRARY

|                      | 1999/00              | 2000/01              | 2001/02              |
|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| <b>REVENUE:</b>      |                      |                      |                      |
| TAXES                | \$ 95,142.00         | \$ 146,060.00        | \$ 226,535.00        |
| FINES                | 500.00               | 1,000.00             | 1,500.00             |
| GRANTS/AID           | 2,500.00             | 1,500.00             | 3,000.00             |
| INTEREST             | 1,000.00             | 100.00               | 100.00               |
| DONATIONS            |                      | 500.00               | 500.00               |
| FUND BALANCE         | 21,300.00            | 25,000.00            | 25,000.00            |
| <b>TOTAL REVENUE</b> | <b>\$ 120,442.00</b> | <b>\$ 174,160.00</b> | <b>\$ 256,635.00</b> |

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| <b>MATERIAL EXPENSE</b>       |                     |                     |                     |
| BOOKS                         | 13,000.00           | 15,000.00           | 15,000.00           |
| AUDIO TAPES                   | 3,500.00            | 3,500.00            | 3,000.00            |
| NEWSPAPERS                    | 600.00              | 600.00              | 600.00              |
| VIDEOS                        | 1,000.00            | 1,500.00            | 1,500.00            |
| CD ROMS                       | 1,000.00            | 500.00              | 500.00              |
| PERIODICALS                   | 600.00              | 600.00              | 650.00              |
| <b>TOTAL MATERIAL EXPENSE</b> | <b>\$ 19,700.00</b> | <b>\$ 21,700.00</b> | <b>\$ 21,250.00</b> |

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| <b>BUILDING EXPENSE:</b>       |                     |                     |                      |
| BUILDING LOAN                  |                     |                     | 55,000.00            |
| RENT                           | 14,400.00           | 18,000.00           | 34,000.00            |
| LIABILITY INSURANCE            | 3,000.00            | 4,000.00            | 4,500.00             |
| ELECTRICITY                    | 2,500.00            | 3,000.00            | 3,200.00             |
| TELEPHONE                      | 1,500.00            | 2,200.00            | 2,600.00             |
| HEAT                           | 1,500.00            | 1,500.00            | 2,000.00             |
| REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE          | 1,250.00            | 1,250.00            | 1,500.00             |
| CLEANING                       | 2,200.00            | 2,500.00            | 2,500.00             |
| FURNITURE                      |                     |                     | 500.00               |
| ALARM MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT    |                     | 200.00              | 250.00               |
| <b>TOTAL BUILDING EXPENSE:</b> | <b>\$ 26,350.00</b> | <b>\$ 32,650.00</b> | <b>\$ 106,050.00</b> |

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| <b>PROGRAM SUPPLIES:</b>      |                    |                    |                    |
| CHILDREN'S PROGRAM            | 1,500.00           | 2,000.00           | 3,000.00           |
| ADULT PROGRAMS                | 500.00             | 500.00             | 500.00             |
| <b>TOTAL PROGRAM EXPENSE:</b> | <b>\$ 2,000.00</b> | <b>\$ 2,500.00</b> | <b>\$ 3,500.00</b> |



|                                      | 1999/00            | 2000/01            | 2001/02            |
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| <b>OFFICE SUPPLIES:</b>              |                    |                    |                    |
| PUBLICITY                            |                    | 400.00             | 1,600.00           |
| MATERIALS & SUPPLIES                 | 3,000.00           | 4,000.00           | 4,000.00           |
| POSTAGE                              | 250.00             | 500.00             | 1,000.00           |
| <b>TOTAL OFFICE SUPPLIES EXPENSE</b> | <b>\$ 3,250.00</b> | <b>\$ 4,900.00</b> | <b>\$ 6,600.00</b> |

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| <b>TECHNOLOGY:</b>               |                    |                     |                     |
| EQUIPMENT-COMPUTER               | 6,000.00           | 7,660.00            | 3,000.00            |
| PRINTERS 2 LASERS                | 400.00             | 1,300.00            | 400.00              |
| PRINTING SUPPLIES                | 250.00             | 500.00              | 500.00              |
| ANSER MAINTENANCE                | 1,800.00           | 4,900.00            | 6,000.00            |
| EQUIPMENT-COPIER                 |                    |                     |                     |
| COPIER SERVICE CONTRACT          | 400.00             | 400.00              | 600.00              |
| COMPUTER SUPPLIES                |                    | 650.00              | 700.00              |
| <b>TOTAL TECHNOLOGY EXPENSE:</b> | <b>\$ 8,850.00</b> | <b>\$ 15,410.00</b> | <b>\$ 11,200.00</b> |

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| <b>PERSONNEL:</b>               |                     |                     |                      |
| SALARIES                        | 50,000.00           | 80,000.00           | 89,000.00            |
| EMPLOYEE BENEFITS(FICA/DIS.)    | 5,892.00            | 6,900.00            | 7,200.00             |
| BOOKKEEPING                     | 1,500.00            | 1,700.00            | 1,700.00             |
| ACCOUNTANT FEES                 | 1,500.00            |                     |                      |
| TREASURER                       | 150.00              | 150.00              | 175.00               |
| MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT           | 500.00              | 750.00              | 750.00               |
| STAFF TRAINING                  | 500.00              | 500.00              | 500.00               |
| HEALTH BENEFITS                 |                     | 6,000.00            | 7,510.00             |
| <b>TOTAL PERSONNEL EXPENSE:</b> | <b>\$ 60,042.00</b> | <b>\$ 96,000.00</b> | <b>\$ 106,835.00</b> |

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| <b>TRUSTEE EXPENSE:</b>      |                  |                    |                    |
| ELECTION EXPENSES            |                  | 750.00             | 750.00             |
| PROFESSIONAL DUES            | 150.00           | 150.00             | 250.00             |
| TRAVEL & CONFERENCE          | 100.00           | 100.00             | 200.00             |
| <b>TOTAL TRUSTEE EXPENSE</b> | <b>\$ 250.00</b> | <b>\$ 1,000.00</b> | <b>\$ 1,200.00</b> |

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|----------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| <b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES:</b> | <b>\$ 120,442.00</b> | <b>\$ 174,160.00</b> | <b>\$ 256,635.00</b> |
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| <b>AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXES:</b> | <b>\$ 95,142.00</b> | <b>\$ 146,060.00</b> | <b>\$ 226,535.00</b> |
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# **FLORIDA PUBLIC LIBRARY BUDGET INFORMATION**

**Public Information Meeting  
Wednesday, May 2, 2001 ~ 7:30 p.m.  
Florida Public Library**

**VOTE  
Tuesday, May 15, 2001  
S. S. Seward Institute ~ 6 a.m. – 9 p.m.**

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