



Perry Public Library

2027 Budget Hearing

May 21st, 2026

7:00 pm

Perry Public Library



- A School District Public Library, chartered to serve the residents of Perry Central School District
- School District Public Libraries are totally independent of the School District
- Trustees are subject to an open election process
- The Library Board has the authority to schedule a vote on a library budget each year.

Programs offered

Variety of in-person and virtual programming for all ages.



2025 Highlights



2,546
Computer Sessions



5,985
Program Attendance
In-Person



14,200
Library Visitors



4,021
Program Attendance
Virtual



8,877
Books to and from
partner libraries



32,995
Materials Checked Out

Figures from 2024 Annual Report



ROI

\$914,155+

Based on Figures from the 2024 Annual Report and the
Library Value Calculator from Maine State Library

2026 Projects

- **Beginning stages of Elevator project**
- **Lemuel Wiles Birthday Celebration-October**
- **Gutters/Eaves Project**

Priorities

- Increase spending on materials of all types
 - Addition of more Vox Books & Museum Passes
- Create and follow workflows based on the Building Condition Survey
- Continue building reserve funds so we are better able to plan for large repairs/replacements

Rising Costs

- Historic building in need of constant maintenance and repairs
- New York State minimum wage & salary increases, and benefits
 - Increase in December 2026 for 2027

2027 Proposed Budget- Income

Income	2026 Budget	2027 Budget	
LLSA/OWWL Library	\$3,450	\$2,200	Thanks to Bullet Aid from Assemblywoman Andrea Bailey
Book Sales	\$231	\$15	
Friends of Perry Library	\$1000	\$1000	
Grants, Memorials & Gifts	\$13,682	\$1000	Thanks to \$10,000 from the Carnegie Foundation & Funds from Arts Council for Wyoming County
Interest	\$2,500	\$2,500	
Library Charges-Coffee, Copies, Fines	\$1,920	\$1,950	
Perry Central School District	\$310,500	\$329,130	
Rollover from Previous	\$14,986	\$0	Rollover from last year's donations and encumbered funds.
Total Income	\$348,272	\$337,795	

2027 Proposed Budget- Expenditures

Expenditures	2026 Budget	2027 Budget
Contract with Library System	\$6,900	\$7,100
Equipment	\$5,800	\$3,000
Office Supplies	\$1,500	\$1,500
Programming Supplies	\$7,947	\$5,000
Continuing Education	\$4,000	\$3,000
Travel	\$700	\$800
Other Misc.	\$150	\$100
Postage	\$500	\$550
Audit	\$0	\$0
Payroll Services	\$3,500	\$3,800

Rollover from last year's donations.

Rollover from last year.

2027 Proposed Budget-Expenditures Cont.

Expenditures	2026 Budget	2027 Budget
Professional Fees	\$2,850	\$1,600
Publicity & Printing	\$2,500	\$2,500
Telecommunications	\$2,000	\$1,850
AV Materials	\$1,500	\$1,500
Library Materials (Electronic Format)	\$2,538	\$2,585
Books	\$13,795	\$10,700
Periodicals	\$1,100	\$1,100

Rollover from last year.

Rollover from last year.

2026 Proposed Budget- Expenditures Cont.

Expenditures	2026 Budget	2027 Budget
Building Insurance	\$8,500	\$9,200
Building Staff-Cleaning	\$4,800	\$5,000
Custodial Supplies	\$950	\$950
Fuel & Utilities	\$8,500	\$9,000
Landscaping	\$200	\$200
Maintenance Contracts	\$6,500	\$7,000
Repairs to Building	\$19,327	\$15,580

2027 Proposed Budget- Expenditures Cont.

Expenditures	2026 Budget	2027 Budget
Employer Taxes- Disability, Medicare, OASDI, Unemployment, Workers' Comp	\$17,439	\$17,775
Health Insurance	\$14,509	\$9,250
State Retirement	\$22,000	\$26,000
Staff Salaries	\$170,125	\$183,555
Transfer to Reserves	\$13,120	\$3,500
Total Expenditures	\$347,450	\$37,795

**Thanks to \$10,000
from the Carnegie
Foundation**



2027 Proposed Budget

- Additional \$18,630 requested.
- Brings the Library's tax appropriation from \$310,500 to \$329,130.
- An increase of 6%
- An average increase of \$4.38 on the tax bill for a \$150,000 home annually.
 - Based on previous assessment values

Trustee Candidates

- Board consists of seven (7) members, elected for terms of three (3) years each.
- Eligibility limited to residents of the Perry Central School District for one year prior to the vote, a citizen of the United States, and at least 18 years of age.
- Nominating petition signed by 25 qualified voters of Perry Central School District.
- Petitions were due by 8pm on Monday, May 4th.

Trustee Candidates

We have 2 open seats on the board, and candidates that will appear on the ballot are:

- Karyn Clark
- Barb Glenn

Voter Requirements

- Resident of the Perry Central School District for at least 30 days
- 18 years or older
- U. S. Citizen