

Middletown Thrall Library Proposed Budget Hearing



A public hearing will be held at Middletown Thrall Library on Wednesday, September 10, 2025 at 7 pm to address the proposed library budget for 2026.

The proposed gross budget for 2026 is \$4,725,410, which is an increase of \$158,418, (3.47%) over its 2025 total. The library is proposing a 2026 tax levy of \$4,362,410, which is an increase of \$137,918, (3.25%) over its 2025 total.

Public Budget Vote & Trustee Election Tuesday, October 7, 2025, 8 am – 8 pm

A public budget vote and trustee election will be held on Tuesday, October 7, 2025 at Middletown Thrall Library, 11 Depot Street, Middletown, NY 10940 between the hours of 8 am – 8 pm in the library's Reading Room.

All registered voters who reside in the Thrall Public Library District are eligible to vote. This includes residents of the Enlarged City School District of Middletown, residents of the Town of Mt. Hope who reside within the Pine Bush Central School District, and residents of the Town of Wallkill who reside within the Pine Bush Central School District, Valley Central School District, or Minisink Valley Central School District.

Those who wish to vote early before the library is open (8 am - 9 am) can enter the library from one of two entrances located on the Depot Street side of the building.

Voters will be selecting candidates to fill three trustee seats, two with four-year terms and one with a three-year term. The candidates with the two highest vote totals will be elected to four-year terms and the third highest vote total will serve a three-year term. Nominating petitions to fill these seats are available from the library director's office starting August 7, 2024. Completed nomination petitions must be returned to the director's office no later than 4 pm, on Friday, September 5, 2025.

For more information, please stop by the Library Director's office or contact Matt Pfisterer at 845-341-5485 for more details.

2025 Budget Figures & 2026 Proposed Budget

YEAR:	2025	2026
GROSS BUDGET	\$ 4,566,992.00	\$4,725,410.00 (+\$158,418; +3.47%)
INCOME:		
Friends of Mdtn. Thrall Library Orange County Aid	\$ 46,000.00 1,500.00	\$ 46,000.00 7,000.00
Library Charges	7,500.00	15,000.00
LLSA (NYS Aid)	15,000.00	15,000.00
Cash Surplus	255,000.00	265,000.00
NYS LEG. Youth Grant	10,000.00	0.00
Interest	7,500.00	15,000.00
TOTAL	\$ 342,500.00	\$ 363,000.00
LIBRARY TAX LEVY	\$4,224,492.00	\$4,362,410.00 (+\$137,918; +3.25%)

For more details, please visit www.thrall.org/budget
or speak with our **Library Director**.

Did you know?

Our library's chartered service population includes over 59,000 persons in Middletown and the Town of Wallkill, NY.

In 2024, our library...

- + welcomed over 70,000 visitors!
- + answered 11,925 questions!
- + lent 97,426 items!
- + added 4,632 items to its collections!
- + offered 100s of public event sessions!
- + handled 43,271 interlibrary loans!
- + provided computer plus Wi-Fi access to over 20,000 persons!

Also, between 2024 & 2025, we upgraded our adult and children's public Internet computers.

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Ms. Marlena Lange, President

Ms. Evelyn Ortega, Vice President

Ms. Susan Wyman, Secretary

Ms. Tonia Crown, Financial Officer

Ms. Frances J. Amelio

Mr. Joseph Ruyack

Ms. Narene Russell

LIBRARY DIRECTOR

Matthew Pfisterer

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