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Griffo announces construction grants for public libraries

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New York State Sen. Joseph Griffo, R-C-Rome, announced today that several public libraries in his district will be receiving library construction grant funds.

The grants are from \$34 million in capital funds for public library construction and broadband infrastructure projects provided in the 2022-23 State Budget.

Grants awarded to libraries in the 53rd Senate District include:

- New Woodstock Free Library (2106 Main St., New Woodstock): \$45,000 to waterproof and buildout basement to provide secure and climate-controlled storage for art collections and at-risk books.
- Sullivan Free Library (101 Falls Boulevard, Chittenango): \$150,194 to install an elevator to provide access to the basement for future space expansion.
- **Dunham Public Library (76 Main St., Whitesboro):** \$369,633 for a new toilet room, public room, sidewalks and roadside sign and the rehabilitation of three library toilet rooms to current ADA standards.
- **Kirkland Town Library (55 1/2 College St., Clinton):** \$10,828 for the replacement of casement windows facing deck with double hung windows.
- New York Mills Public Library (399 Main St., New York Mills): \$37,125 to replace an old HVAC with newer, energy efficient and increased filtration.
- Sherrill-Kenwood Free Library (543 Sherrill Road, Sherrill): \$53,304 to install a new roof, down spouts and security cameras, replace toilets, windows and lights and renovate children's room.
- Waterville Public Library (206 White St., Waterville): \$8,175 to replace five failed upper windows in the library's main room with Low-E argon vinyl windows and to insulate and seal all windows.

"Public libraries are critical spaces that offer a variety of important services and resources to children, families, seniors and residents in communities across the state," **Sen. Griffo said.** "With this critical funding, libraries throughout my district will be able to make improvements and undertake projects that will enhance the services that they offer and help them to flourish for years to come." ###