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## Senator Cooney Announces Over \$1.5 Million In Construction Aid For Local Libraries

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Funds Would Go Towards Greece Public Library, Rochester Public Library Branches Downtown And In Charlotte

**(ROCHESTER, NY)** - Today, **Senator Jeremy Cooney (D-Rochester)** announced \$1,523,305 through the New York State Aid for Library Construction program for both the Greece and Rochester Public Library systems. These funds are a part of the \$34 million in capital funds for public library construction and broadband infrastructure projects Senator Cooney

helped secure in the FY 2023-2024 State Budget.

“Our public libraries provide a space for community members of all ages to gather and learn,” said **Senator Jeremy Cooney**. “With these funds, libraries across our area will be able to complete much-needed renovation projects and ensure they can continue serving Monroe County residents to the best of their ability for years to come.”

A list of projects funded in Senate District 56 can be found below:

<b>Library Name</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Award Amount</b>	<b>Project Description</b>
Greece Public Library	2 Vince Tofany Blvd Rochester, NY 14612	<b>\$917,115</b>	Full renovation of public floor space to improve energy efficiency, patron comfort, ADA compliant shelving and other public service improvements
Rochester Public Library (Charlotte)	3557 Lake Avenue Rochester, NY 14612	<b>\$171,190</b>	Replacement of the Charlotte Branch Roof.
Rochester Public Library (Rundel Building)	115 South Avenue Rochester, NY 14604	<b>\$435,000</b>	Replacement of north elevator in the Rundel Building.

Project activities and expenditures eligible for funding from the State Aid for Library Construction Program include financing construction of new library buildings, construction of additions to existing buildings, and the renovation and/or rehabilitation of existing space. Projects may include roof replacement, purchase and installation of alternative energy resources, new HVAC systems, windows, doors, lighting systems, electrical upgrades, EV charging stations, standby generators, and new construction or replacement of parking lots. Broadband infrastructure projects are also eligible. New furniture, shelving, and equipment, including computer equipment, may be purchased for new or newly reconfigured or renovated space.

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