

Senator Mark Grisanti Announces Grants For Buffalo & Erie County Public Libraries

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grants through the "Bullet Aid" targeted education fund for libraries. Of the 28 Erie County libraries that will benefit from grants, Senator Gristanti's district includes the Crane Branch Library, the location of the media event as well as the Niagara, North Park and Riverside library branches in Buffalo, plus the Angola Public Library, Grand Island Memorial Public Library, Lake Shore Public Library, Orchard Park Public Library, City of Tonawanda Public Library, and the Kenmore and Kenilworth Branches of the Town of Tonawanda Public Library.

"This is wonderful news for library patrons," said Library System Director Mary Jean Jakubowski. "Libraries are truly a great investment because they provide everyone access to information. Thank you to Senator Grisanti along with Senators Patrick Gallivan and Michael Ranzenhofer for your efforts in supporting your hometown libraries which are truly the cornerstone of this great community."

"On behalf of my colleagues, I am pleased to report that a total of 369 libraries across New York received Bullet Aid funding including those in the Buffalo & Erie County Public Library System. And, I am proud to say, I am a huge library supporter having used our local libraries since I was a young," said Senator Grisanti. "This funding recognizes the important roles that Buffalo & Erie County Public Libraries play in our community: in assisting the unemployed in searching and applying for jobs online, by providing digital literacy and other employment preparation training, offering free Wi-Fi access and computer use, and by offering cultural, educational, and literacy programs and materials to children of all ages and their families," stated Senator Grisanti.

Here is a list of libraries receiving New York's "Bullet Aid" support:

Alden Ewell Free Library \$3,000 Amherst Public Library Clearfield Branch \$9,000 Eggertsville-Snyder \$9,000 Main Library at Audubon \$9,000 Williamsville \$9,000 Angola Public Library \$3,000 Aurora Town Public Library \$3,000 Boston Free Library \$3,000 Buffalo & Erie County Public Library Crane Branch \$3,000 Niagara Branch \$3,000 North Park Branch \$3,000 Riverside Branch \$3,000 Clarence Public Library \$9,000 Town of Collins Public Library \$3,000

Concord Public Library \$3,000 Eden Public Library \$3,000 Elma Public Library \$3,000 Grand Island Memorial Library \$3,000 Hamburg Public Library Lakeshore \$3,000 Lancaster Public Library \$6,000 Marilla Free Library \$3,000 Newstead Public Library \$9,000 Town of North Collins Public Library \$3,000 Orchard Park Public Library \$4,000 City of Tonawanda Public Library \$3,000 Town of Tonawanda Library Kenilworth Branch \$3,000 Kenmore Branch \$4,000 West Seneca Public Library \$6,000

The Buffalo & Erie County Public Library System has more than 2.6 million materials available for borrowing including books, eBooks, DVDs, music and more. Free library card applications can be downloaded and taken to any of the 37- local public libraries for processing. A valid form of identification and proof of address is necessary. For more information call 716-858-8900 or visit www.BuffaloLib.org.