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## SERINO ANNOUNCES NEW FUNDING HEADING TO AREA LIBRARIES

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HYDE PARK, NY – Senator Sue Serino today announced that over \$550,000 in construction awards will soon be delivered to five public libraries throughout the 41<sup>st</sup> State Senate District.

*“As someone who spent a portion of my life as a single parent who relied heavily on my local library for access to resources, I know from experience what a critical role our public libraries play here in our community,” said Senator Serino. “These grants will go a long way in ensuring that our libraries can meet the evolving needs of our community and help support their mission to educate and connect our neighbors. We look forward to seeing this funding be put to work for the benefit of our neighbors.”*

The awards come to the community as a result of a \$34 million State Budget capital fund appropriation that was established to support the construction and renovation of public libraries and library systems throughout the state. Over 200 construction projects were approved statewide by the NYS Education Department and NYS Library as part of the initiative.

The following projects were approved in the 41<sup>st</sup> Senate District:

- \$73,534 to the Julia L. Butterfield Library (Cold Spring) for energy efficient upgrades;

- \$14,550 to the Mid-Hudson Library System (Poughkeepsie) to improve working conditions for staff and energy efficiency;
- \$363,682 to the Millbrook Library (Millbrook) for HVAC system upgrades and increasing accessibility;
- \$45,524 to the Pleasant Valley Library (Pleasant Valley) for new energy efficient HVAC; and
- \$58,731 for the Putnam Valley Free Library (Putnam Valley) to replace their skylight.

To learn more about the construction awards, [please click here](#). Neighbors looking to find a library near them or to learn more about the many services offered at their local library can [click here](#).

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