

Maxwell Memorial Library

2017 WGCS D Tax Levy Proposition Facts

- Maxwell Memorial Library and Fairmount Community Library together serve the Village and Town of Camillus.
- Because most of the West Genesee Central School District falls within Town boundaries, district taxpayers support Maxwell and Fairmount libraries directly through district tax levies as well as indirectly through the Town budget.
- This year and for the previous two years, the Town Board has cut its support of Maxwell and Fairmount libraries by \$33,000 each. **This is the last year (2017) the libraries will receive funding from the Town budget.**



- Maxwell Library prefers a transparent funding method of going directly to taxpayers in our service area for support. For many years, we have done that through a levy on WGCS D property taxes. The chart below breaks down the proposed levy for this year:

	2016 levy	2016 cost per \$100,000	2017 increase	2017 levy with increase	2017 increase %	2017 total levy per \$100,000 value
Maxwell	\$233,079	\$11.87	\$56,000	\$289,079	24.0%	\$14.72
Fairmount	\$258,000	\$13.11	\$33,000	\$291,000	12.8%	\$14.79
Referendum total	\$491,079	\$24.98	\$89,000	\$580,079	18.1%	\$29.51

- Taxpayer-supported funding is supplemented with state and other grants and free consulting services provided through library vendors and the OCPL system.
- This year’s increase will help defray the loss of Town funds and support a 2017 budget intended to fund normal operations:
 - Purchase of books, media, computers and technology, equipment, and supplies
 - Salaries, employee training, and hiring additional employees with needed skills
 - Repairs and care of grounds and building, including the former 1868 church portion
 - Ongoing capital improvements required to meet the needs of library users today
 - Free public programs and services for the entire community
- Maxwell Memorial Library’s collection and programs support school district residents with
 - basic literacy skills for a lifetime of learning;
 - information literacy to help patrons participate as citizens, workers, and consumers;
 - health, financial, civic and social literacy to help patrons make informed decisions; and
 - technological literacy to help patrons use technology for learning, work, and pleasure.

The referendum for libraries is on the WGCS D budget ballot. Voting takes place **Tuesday, May 16, from 6 a.m. to 9 p.m.** in the West Genesee High School lobby. Please vote!

This information, along with budgets, board meeting minutes, and more, are available online at www.maxwellmemoriallibrary.org > Library info > Maxwell Board of Trustees