



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

Patty Ritchie

## **Ritchie: Over \$450,000 Awarded to Improve Local Libraries**

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State Senator Patty Ritchie is announcing that libraries throughout Central and Northern New York will receive more than \$450,000 in public library construction

funds to make upgrades to their facilities.

Funding announced today is part of a \$19 million capital fund appropriation in the 2016 State Budget for construction and renovation of public libraries and public library systems in New York State. Funding awarded in Senator Ritchie's district will allow ten libraries to enhance energy efficiency, make infrastructure improvements, improve handicapped accessibility and more.

"The libraries in our region do an excellent job of connecting people with endless opportunities for learning, growth and culture," said Senator Ritchie, who serves as Chair of the Senate Select Committee on Libraries. "I am pleased that through this funding, our local libraries will be able to continue to improve their services for patrons."

The following libraries in the region Senator Ritchie represents will receive funding:

***Jefferson County***

Carthage Free Library: \$39,195

Crosby Public Library: \$166,939

Roswell P. Flower Memorial Library: \$8,258

Theresa Free Library: \$23,724

***Oswego County***

Fulton Public Library: \$7,990

Mexico Public Library: \$44,907

***St. Lawrence County***

Hepburn Library of Madrid: \$42,720

Hepburn Library of Waddington: \$28,650

Morristown Public Library: \$67,787

Ogdensburg Public Library: \$23,087

