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## WINNEFOX LIBRARY SYSTEM

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TO: Winnebago County UW Education, Extension and Agriculture Committee  
FROM: Jeff Gilderson-Duwe, Oshkosh Public Library and Winnefox Library System  
DATE: 7 July 2020  
RE: 2021 Winnebago County Library Services Levy Request

The Winnefox Library System, under terms and conditions set forth in the 2020 – 2024 Agreement and Long Range Plan with Winnebago County, submits the following request for library services funds for 2021 based upon the formula specified in the Agreement.

Winnebago County Library Directors will attend your July meeting to present a report on library services in 2019 and to answer questions on this request.

### PART I: 2019 LIBRARY CIRCULATION FIGURES

Library	2019 Home Municipal Circulation Including Overdrive	2019 Rural Circulation Including Overdrive	2019 Circulation for County Request	2019 Percentage of County Circulation
Menasha	184,832	67,491	252,323	26.7%
Neenah	420,168	279,936	700,104	40.0%
Omro	28,170	26,342	54,512	48.3%
Oshkosh	558,364	129,895	688,259	18.9%
Winneconne	31,981	37,026	69,007	53.7%

### PART II: COUNTY LIBRARY LEVY OPERATIONAL REQUEST

Library	2020 Net Library Budget	Percent of County Usage	2021 Operational Request
Menasha	\$1,559,191	26.7%	\$416,304
Neenah	\$2,141,595	40.0%	\$856,638
Omro	\$215,735	48.3%	\$104,200
Oshkosh	\$3,397,860	18.9%	\$642,196
Winneconne	\$214,822	53.7%	\$115,359
			\$2,134,697

## 2020/2021 LIBRARY OPERATIONAL REQUEST COMPARISON

Library	2020 County Operational Funding	2021 Operational Request	Difference 2020 - 2021	
Menasha	\$398,517	\$416,304	4.5%	\$14,669
Neenah	\$815,545	\$856,638	5.0%	\$41,093
Omro	\$107,182	\$104,200	-2.8%	-\$2,982
Oshkosh	\$625,160	\$642,196	2.7%	\$17,036
Winneconne	\$110,494	\$115,359	4.4%	\$4,865
Total	\$2,056,898	\$2,134,697	3.8%	\$74,681

## PART III: MAJOR FACILITY REQUEST

Library	Major Facilities Budget Amortized over 20 Years	2019 Percentage of County Circulation	2021 Major Facilities Request
Menasha	\$224,400	26.5%	\$59,466
Neenah	\$286,304	40.0%	\$14,758
Omro	\$0	48.3%	\$0
Oshkosh	\$0	18.9%	\$0
Winneconne	\$0	53.7%	\$0
			\$74,224

Library	2021 Major Facilities Request	2020 Major Facilities Funding	Difference 2020 - 2021		
Menasha	\$59,466	\$60,139	-\$673	-1.1%	17 of 20
Neenah	\$14,758	\$113,376	-\$98,618	-87.0%	21 of 20
Omro	\$0	\$0	\$0		
Oshkosh	\$0	\$0	\$0		
Winneconne	\$0	\$0	\$0		
	\$74,224	\$173,515	-\$99,291	-57.2%	

\*\*\*One more year is added on to each library's facilities funding for the 2006 funding shortfall

The costs for the Menasha Public Library building project are determined as follows:

Major Facility Improvement Budget (2004)	\$4,488,000
Exempt Income (Private, Grants, etc.)	0
Net Facility Budget	\$4,488,000
Amortization over 20 years	\$224,400

The costs for the Neenah Public Library building project are determined as follows:

Major Facility Improvement Budget (2000)	\$7,576,075 (includes interest)
Exempt Income (Private, Grants, etc.)	\$1,850,000
Net Facility Budget	\$5,726,075
Amortization over 20 years	\$286,304

#### **PART IV: SPECIAL PROJECT REQUESTS**

The libraries are submitting one special project requests this year, divided into two parts

The request is for **\$20,000** toward the purchase of eBooks and eAudiobooks. The libraries are requesting that half, \$10,000, is contributed to the Winnefox Overdrive Advantage Collection. This is the sixth year we are requesting funds for the Advantage Collection

This \$10,000 would supplement what the county libraries spend individually. In 2020, the five libraries contributed \$40,938 from their operating budgets. Then they contributed an additional \$12,300 during the libraries' closures in spring of this year.

The second \$10,000 will be divided evenly among the five libraries to be spent on local collections. Some libraries may choose to spend the funds on Hoopla, a complimentary service to Overdrive that allows patrons to borrow item immediately. Others wish to spend the additional funds on other resources and/or electronic databases.

The desire is to use the \$20,000 to reach patrons even when they cannot physically be in the building. Use of electronic materials has been rising and the current pandemic crisis has highlighted just how important libraries are and need to be in the digital world as well as the physical.

#### **PART V: TOTAL REQUEST COMPARISON: 2020 – 2021**

	2020 Appropriation	2021 Request	Difference 2020 - 2021	
Part I--Operational Request	\$2,056,898	\$2,134,697	\$77,799	3.63%
Part II--Major Facilities Request	\$173,515	\$74,673	-\$98,842	-57.22%
Part III--Special Project funds	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$0	0.00%
Total County Request	\$2,250,413	\$2,229,370	-\$21,043	-1.09%

