

# LOVING LIBRARY

VOTE YES • NOVEMBER 4

*Everyone has a library story.*

For more than 100 years, the Kanawha County Public Library (KCPL) system has been the heart of Kanawha County.

*It's where your children discovered  
the magic of reading.*

*It's where you explore endless  
resources for knowledge.*

*It's where your community comes together.*

*There are so many reasons  
why you love your library.*

That's why it's important we support the levy for Kanawha County public libraries. Beginning on **October 22** (Early Voting) and until Election Day, **November 4**, Kanawha County voters are being asked to restore more than 40 percent of the KCPL budget that was lost after a state Supreme Court ruling. Passing the public library levy will also support libraries in South Charleston and Nitro.

The money will not go to the Board of Education. The money will not be used to build new library buildings. The levy will only be used to operate public libraries in Kanawha County.

Public libraries in Kanawha County have more than 128,000 cardholders, just over 67 percent of the county's population.

For about \$1.36 a month, Kanawha County residents, no matter their age, income or educational level, can create new Loving My Library stories for many years to come.

Tell us your Library story and help us pass the public library levy at [www.LovingMyLibrary.com](http://www.LovingMyLibrary.com)

**VOTE YES ON NOVEMBER 4**

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## **Q: WHAT IS THE PUBLIC LIBRARY LEVY ELECTION?**

- Voters will be asked to Vote Yes to restore funding for the Kanawha County Public Library (KCPL) system on the **November 4, 2014** General Election Day ballot.
- **Voting Yes** will restore \$2.9 million of KCPL annual operating and staffing funds lost after a 2013 ruling by the state Supreme Court.
- **Voting Yes** will also make levy funds available to libraries in South Charleston (\$227,480) and Nitro (\$51,000). Similar levy funding will continue for five years.
- The Kanawha County Board of Education is sponsoring the public library levy, but will not receive any of the funds. **Levy funds are for library use only.**

## **Q: WHAT DOES THE PUBLIC LIBRARY LEVY FUND?**

- **Voting Yes** will return \$2.9 million in annual funds for the ongoing operation and staffing of the KCPL system, which consists of ten libraries and a Mobile Library.
- **Voting Yes** will help support libraries in South Charleston and Nitro.
- **None of the levy funds** will go to the construction of new library buildings.

## **Q: WHY SHOULD I SUPPORT THE LEVY?**

- **Voting Yes** means that for about \$1.36 a month, you can help provide everyone in the county with the resources they need for education, enrichment and entertainment.
- Public libraries in Kanawha County have more than **128,000 cardholders**, most of whom live in Kanawha County.
- Last year, library patrons checked out and downloaded more than **1.1 million items** from all public libraries in Kanawha County.

## **Q: WILL THE PUBLIC LIBRARY LEVY INCREASE TAXES?**

- Yes - For someone who owns a home valued at \$100,000 and a vehicle valued at \$15,000, the increase would amount to \$1.36 a month or **\$16.22 per year.**
- For around \$1.36 a month, you can make a great investment in your community.

## **Q: HOW MANY PUBLIC LIBRARIES ARE IN KANAWHA COUNTY?**

- The KCPL system includes facilities in Charleston, Clendenin, Cross Lanes, Dunbar, Elk Valley, Glasgow, Marmet, a branch in the Riverside High School, St. Albans and Sissonville. The library also operates the Mobile Library (bookmobile).
- There are also public libraries in South Charleston and Nitro.