

VOTE

TUESDAY • APRIL 5 • 2011

LIBRARY REFERENDUM

DESIGNED TO MAKE YOUR LIBRARY EVEN BETTER

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ABOUT THE LIBRARY REFERENDUM

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INDIAN TRAILS PUBLIC LIBRARY

- Serving over 65,000 people in Buffalo Grove, Wheeling, and Prospect Heights ... plus small areas in Arlington Heights and Northbrook
- Open 3,800 hours last year or 73 hours every week
- Over 46,000 registered borrowers
- Nearly 250,000 items currently in the Library collection
 - 195,000 printed volumes
 - 27,000 DVD and video programs
 - 22,000 compact discs
- Over 1.3 million items circulated last year or 108,000 items every month
- Over 1,100 programs attended by 39,000 adults and children

Serving your needs
over **357** days
a year!



OFFICIAL BALLOT

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Proposition to Increase the Extension Limitation

Shall the extension limitation under the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law for the Indian Trails Public Library District, Cook and Lake Counties, Illinois, be increased from the lesser of 5% or the percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index over the prior levy year to 9.8 % for 2011?

YES

NO

For the 2011 levy year the approximate amount of additional tax extendable against property containing a single family residence and having a fair market value at the time of the Referendum of \$100,000 is estimated to be \$2.77 in Cook County and is estimated to be \$9.25 in Lake County.



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THREE QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER BEFORE YOU VOTE

1. WHAT EFFECT WILL THIS REFERENDUM HAVE ON MY PROPERTY TAX BILL?

There will be no change in the Library portion of your tax bill. The dollar amount requested per household by the Referendum is about \$9.25 per year for each \$100,000 of assessed home value. This amount is equal to the cost, per household, of the Bonds which will be retired next year. **As a result, if the Referendum passes there will be INCREASED REVENUE FOR LIBRARY SERVICES, with NO INCREASE IN YOUR PROPERTY TAX PAYMENTS.**

If the Referendum fails, your Property Taxes will be reduced by an amount equal to approximately \$9.25 per year for each \$100,000 of assessed home value – or roughly, the equivalent of a few paperback novels.

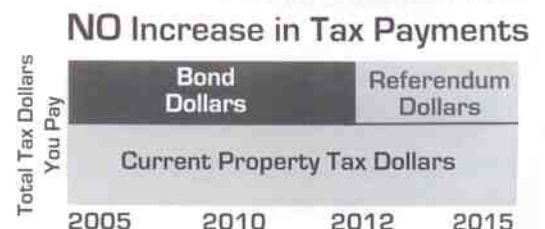
2. WHY IS THE TAX DIFFERENT IN COOK AND LAKE COUNTIES?

In reality they are not so different. The ballot presents amounts before the "Tax Multiplier" (also known as the "Tax Equalizer") is applied. After this process, the actual taxes in Cook and Lake County rates are similar.

	Cook County	Lake County
Assessed Value of Home	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000
Additional Tax Extended by this Referendum	\$ 2.77	\$ 9.25
Multiplier/Equalizer	\$ 3.701	\$ 0.9475
Est. Tax on Tax Bill	\$ 8.76	\$ 8.76

3. HOW WILL THIS LEVY AFFECT MY TAXES?

In 2012, the Library completes payment of the 1996 Bonds funding Library expansion. This 2011 referendum asks voters to allow the Library to add an amount equal to the Bond payments to the Property Tax Levy. **The result is added funds for INCREASED LIBRARY SERVICES...with NO INCREASE IN YOUR TOTAL TAX PAYMENT.**



PROPOSED LIBRARY SERVICE IMPROVEMENTS

Last year the Library surveyed representative households and asked –
What changes would you like to see at your Library?
The proposed **SERVICE IMPROVEMENTS** reflect your request.



Expand parking area



Increase Video Collection
On-shelf and On-line

Expand Adult and Youth Programming
More Subjects
Expanded Multi-Program Educational Series



More Activity and Learning Space
For Pre-school, Pre-teens, and Teens

More Enclosed Quiet Work Areas
For Individuals and Groups
Adult and Student Use



More Comfortable Seating
Throughout the Library

**All these INCREASED SERVICES can be funded with
NO INCREASE IN YOUR CURRENT TAX BILL!**

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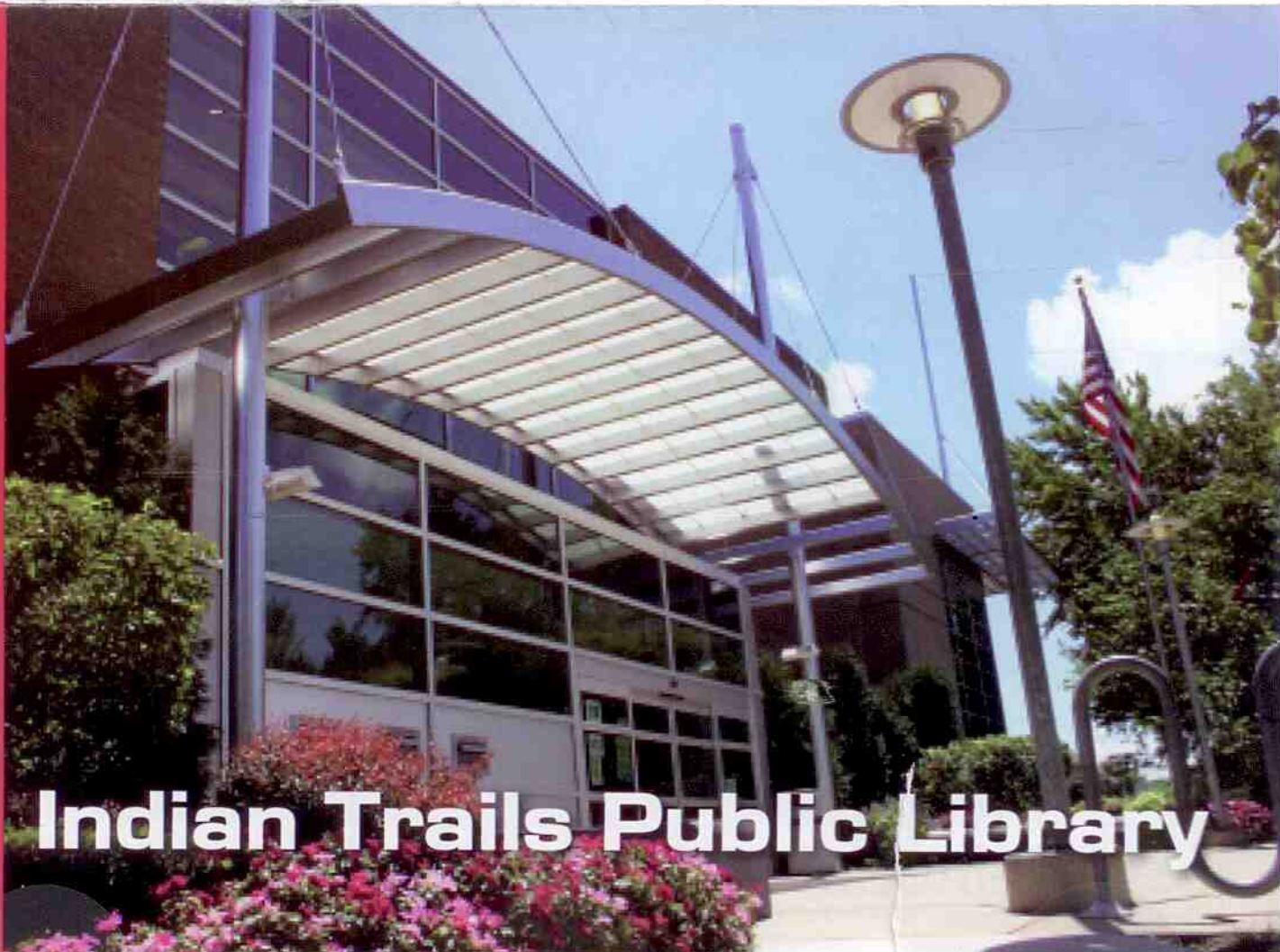
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