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Senator Mark Grisanti Announces grants for Buffalo & Erie County Public Libraries

28 Local Public Libraries to Benefit

New York State Senator Mark Grisanti brought good news to local libraries this afternoon when he announced \$128,000 in grants through the "Bullet Aid" targeted education fund for libraries. Of the 28 Erie County libraries that will benefit from grants, Senator Grisanti's district includes the Crane Branch Library, the location of the media event, as well as the Niagara, North Park and Riverside branches in Buffalo, plus the Angola Public Library, Grand Island Memorial Public Library, Lake Shore Public Library, Orchard Park Public Library, City of Tonawanda Public Library, and the Kenmore and Kenilworth Branches of the Town of Tonawanda Public Library.

"This is wonderful news for library patrons," said Library System Director Mary Jean Jakubowski. "Libraries are truly a great investment because they provide everyone access to information. Thank you to Senator Grisanti along with Senators Patrick Gallivan and Michael Ranzenhofer for your efforts in supporting your hometown libraries which are truly the cornerstone of this great community."

"On behalf of my colleagues, I am pleased to report that a total of 369 libraries across New York received Bullet Aid funding including those in the Buffalo & Erie County Public Library System. And, I am proud to say, I am a huge library supporter having used our local libraries since I was a young," said Senator Grisanti.

"This funding recognizes the important roles that Buffalo & Erie County Public Libraries play in our community: in assisting the unemployed in searching and applying for jobs online, by providing digital literacy and other employment preparation training, offering free Wi-Fi access and computer use, and by offering cultural, educational, and literacy programs and materials to children of all ages and their families," stated Senator Grisanti.

Here is a list of libraries receiving New York's "Bullet Aid" support:

Alden Ewell Free Library \$3,000

Amherst Public Library
 Clearfield Branch \$9,000
 Eggertsville-Snyder \$9,000
 Main Library at Audubon \$9,000
 Williamsville \$9,000

Angola Public Library \$3,000

Aurora Town Public Library \$3,000

Boston Free Library \$3,000

Buffalo & Erie County Public Library

Crane Branch \$3,000

Niagara Branch \$3,000

North Park Branch \$3,000

Riverside Branch \$3,000

Clarence Public Library \$9,000

Town of Collins Public Library \$3,000

Concord Public Library \$3,000

Eden Public Library \$3,000

Elma Public Library \$3,000

Grand Island Memorial Library \$3,000

Hamburg Public Library

Lakeshore \$3,000

Lancaster Public Library \$6,000

Marilla Free Library \$3,000

Newstead Public Library \$9,000

Town of North Collins Public Library \$3,000

Orchard Park Public Library \$4,000

City of Tonawanda Public Library \$3,000

Town of Tonawanda Library

Kenilworth Branch \$3,000

Kenmore Branch \$4,000

West Seneca Public Library \$6,000

The Buffalo & Erie County Public Library System has more than 2.6 million materials available for borrowing including books, eBooks, DVDs, music and more. Free library card applications can be downloaded and taken to any of the 37- local public libraries for processing. A valid form of identification and proof of address is necessary. For more information call 716-858-8900 or visit www.BuffaloLib.org .

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