



SUGAR GROVE
PUBLIC LIBRARY

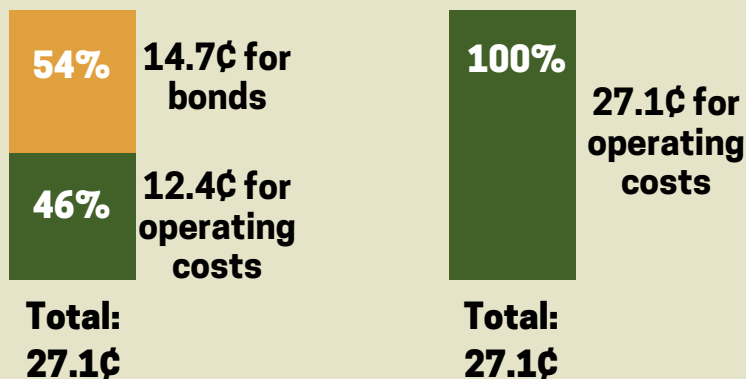


Sugar Grove Public Library Referendum

- The Sugar Grove Public Library District Board of Trustees voted to place a Zero Net Tax Rate Increase Referendum question on the April 2023 ballot.
- Building bonds issued to construct the Library will be paid off in 2024.
- The library will ask voters to approve money currently applied to bond payments be used instead for operating costs (materials, programs, services, and building maintenance).
- The referendum question will ask for an increase in the operating fund limiting rate.
- The rate of the bond will be reduced by the same amount, to \$0.00.
- **This would not increase your tax rate.**

Currently

Proposed Referendum



*Rates per \$100 equalized assessed valuation (EAV)

Sugar Grove Library History

The first fully operational Sugar Grove Public Library opened in 1980 in a 6,600 square foot facility.

In 2004, voters voted YES on a referendum question for a new facility. The new 26,000 sq. ft. building on a 5-acre lot opened in 2009.

Voters said NO to referendum questions for additional operating funds for the new building from 2004-2014.

Our district now serves 16,000 residents due to the growth of Sugar Grove and surrounding communities.

Essential to the Community

- More than 7,000 Library card holders
- 210 events in fiscal year 2021-22
- 3,500+ people attended programs
- 58,800+ items available for checkout
- 12,000+ questions answered by staff
- 122,000+ items checked out
- 45,000+ Library visits

Vote April 4, 2023

For more information, call 630.466.4686 or visit sgpl.org/referendum.

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- Current Sugar Grove Public Library (26,000 sq. ft. building on 5 acre property)**
- Sugar Grove Public Library 1980-2009 (6,600 sq. ft. total)**



The Library has had the same operating tax rate since 1963. Our previous building was 25% of the size of the current library. We are underfunded for staffing, materials, and maintenance for our aging facility today.



YES

If the referendum passes, the library will be able to...

- **Reopen more hours**, including bringing back more weekend hours of operation.
- **Purchase more** print & digital materials to meet patron demand
- **Repair** our 13-year-old building and **reserve funds** for future needs such as replacing the roof, HVAC system, parking lot, and boilers.

Your Library Tax Rate Would Remain the Same



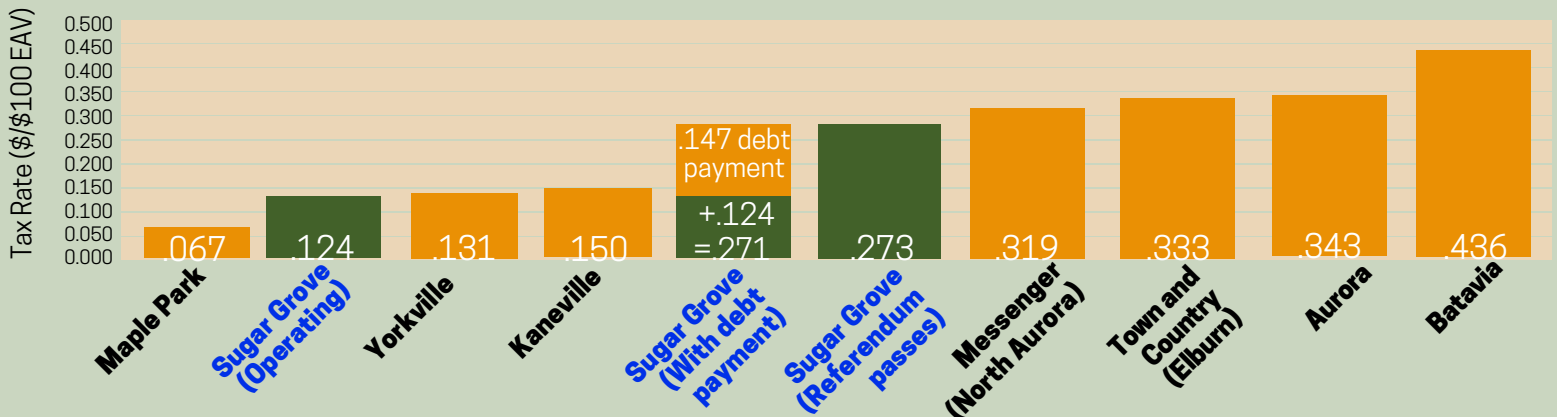
NO

If the referendum fails, the Library will have to...

- **Reduce** opening hours by 27% to 34 hours a week.
- **Reduce** materials and programs offered by 50%.
- **Reduce** our budget 25% to pay for grounds & facilities maintenance and set money aside towards future building needs.

Your Library Tax Rate Would Decrease

Operating Cost Per Capita Tax Rates for Kane County Libraries



Questions? Referendum Town Hall Meetings are scheduled 11:30am Saturday, Feb. 4, and 6:30pm Thursday, Mar. 2. For information, call 630.466.4686 or visit sgpl.org/referendum.