

BROOKLYN RESIDENTS DESERVE A BETTER LIBRARY

The Brooklyn Town Library Association, through its New Library Facility Committee, is asking residents to complete a survey about their library use and asking if residents would support a new library facility. Results will help the committee decide whether to proceed further with the planning process for a new facility.

DID YOU KNOW:

- We are not ADA compliant (other than our new sidewalk) for residents who require such accommodation in a library that is also a two-story building.
- Our building has 2,300 sq. ft. of space; CT State Library Building Grant requirements show that we need 10,000 sq. ft. to adequately serve the population of Brooklyn into the future.
- Our building is 202 years old (1822) and in need of periodic age-related repairs.
- We provide a weekly Children's Story Time, Knitting and Crocheting Club, Writer's Workshop for Adults, Juvenile Writer's Workshop and monthly Adult Book Club and Juvenile Book Club. To make space for attendance at these events, furniture and rolling bookshelves must be moved and then put back in place each time.
- Our annual association meetings have to be held off-site in order to accommodate the number in attendance.
- We only have a permanent set up for one patron computer station that is placed under our stairs and has no privacy for its user.
- Our 3-person library staff has cramped quarters in which to properly perform circulation desk activities and cover and process new books.
- If Brooklyn had no library, it is the law that one would have to be designated in another town for which Brooklyn would pay a per capita fee based on our population of 8,450 people.
- IT IS TIME FOR BROOKLYN TO BE ABLE TO PROVIDE THE NECESSARY SPACE AND SERVICES THAT ENCOURAGE BROOKLYN RESIDENTS TO REFRAIN FROM HAVING TO SEEK MATERIALS AND SERVICES ELSEWHERE!

PLEASE RETURN COMPLETED SURVEYS TO THE BROOKLYN TOWN LIBRARY BY SEPTEMBER 30TH. THEY MAY BE RETURNED TO THE LIBRARY DURING BUSINESS HOURS OR FOLDED AND PUT INTO THE BOOK DROP AT THE LIBRARY'S ENTRANCE.

BROOKLYN TOWN LIBRARY SURVEY

You have been selectively chosen to help us in this important survey. Please answer the following questions concerning library services in your community. All you need to do is check the appropriate box and answer questions asked. The results of this survey will be used to plan the future goals of the Brooklyn Town Library.

We need information about your household so that we can best use the results of this survey. Please answer the following questions as completely as possible.

How many people in your household? _____

How many people in each age category are there in your household?

0-5 ____ 6-11 ____ 12-18 ____ 19-24 ____ 25-55 ____ 56-69 ____ over 70 ____

How many adults 18 and over in the family work outside the home? _____

What is the highest level of education completed by adult occupants of your household. Give the number of adults in each category.

Less than high school diploma _____ High school graduate or GED _____

Some college _____ College graduate _____ Post-graduate _____

Do you use the library services offered in Brooklyn? Yes ____ No ____

If not, why not? _____

Does any member of the household have a current Brooklyn Library Card? Yes ____ No ____

If not, has any member owned a previous Brooklyn Library Card? Yes ____ No ____

Any other public library card? Yes ____ No ____

Would you bring your children to a programs at the library?

Preschool Yes ____ No ____

School age Yes ____ No ____

What kind of services are you interested in ? _____

Would you be interested in joining a Friends of the Library Group? Yes ____ No ____

WOULD YOU SUPPORT A NEW LIBRARY FACILITY IN BROOKLYN? Yes ____ No ____

Comments _____

PLEASE ANSWER QUESTIONS ON SECOND PAGE.

Please return survey promptly. Surveys may be dropped off at Brooklyn Town Library during open hours or may be folded and placed in our outdoor book drop. **Deadline: 9/30/24**

Name and phone number (optional) _____

PLEASE CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX FOR EACH QUESTION

QUESTION	YES	MAYBE	NO
Borrow video DVDs			
Call library for answer to a question			
Borrow paperbacks to read			
Use history collection			
Use file of local agencies			
Attend a book discussion			
Attend a lecture on foreign affairs, taxes, medicine, etc.			
Borrow material concerning preparation for state and federal exams			
Borrow large print books			
Borrow books on CD			
Attend a lecture series with a theme in arts or humanities			
Borrow books for pleasure reading			
Use a computer for word processing			
Use a computer to search for information in other libraries			
Attend a children's story time			
Enroll in a summer reading program			

To apply for CT State Library Grant, a Citizens' Planning Committee is needed. Would you be interested in serving on that committee? Yes _____ No _____

If yes, please provide name and contact info here:

Please return via:

Book Drop: At Library Main Door

Mail: Brooklyn Town Library
PO BOX 357
Brooklyn, CT 06234

In person: Library Hours:
Monday, Friday, Saturday: 9:30am – 3:00pm
Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday: Noon – 5:30pm