

## Summary of East Montpelier’s Support of the Kellogg– Hubbard Library

*Fiscal Year 2009–10 through Fiscal Year 2018–19*

Year	Annual Taxpayer Support	Notes
FY 09–10 FY 10–11 FY 11–12	\$32,296	
FY 12–13 FY 13–14	\$36,775	New method of calculation increased the Library’s request for the city and all five towns.
FY 14–15 FY 15–16 FY 16–17 FY 17–18	\$38,614	Library switched to per capita calculations, using VT Department of Health population figures.
FY 18–19	\$42,022 <i>Requested</i>	The request reflects a \$1.18 per capita increase, which is explained below.

***This is the first time the library has asked East Montpelier for an  
increase  
in four years—since Town Meeting Day 2014.***

The library receives only 50% of its funding from taxpayers, with the largest part of that coming from Montpelier. The statewide average per capita

taxpayer contribution to their local library is over \$30.00, almost twice what our towns have been paying. Four years ago, the KHL moved to \$16.00 per capita and has been there for four years.

East Montpelier has been at less than that—\$14.97—since library trustees put a cap on percentage increases the last time. This year, trustees are asking all towns for a \$1.00 per capita increase. In East Montpelier's case, in an effort to gradually catch it up to other towns, the trustees are asking for a \$1.18 per capita increase—to \$16.15. Calais, Middlesex and Worcester are all going up to \$17.00 per capita.

Trustees used the latest Vermont Department of Health population statistics. According to that data, East Montpelier's population has increased from 2,580 to 2,602.

***East Montpelier is being asked to pay for 4.6% of the cost of running the Library.***