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DEPARTMENT of NATURAL and CULTURAL RESOURCES
NH STATE LIBRARY

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His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu
and the Honorable Executive Council
State House
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

REQUESTED ACTION

Authorize the Department of Natural and Cultural Resources (DNCR), State Library to budget and expend prior year carry forward funds in the amount of \$94,000, for the purpose as authorized in RSA 201-A:10 to purchase books or other supplies or facilities for the state library, upon Governor and Executive Council approval through June 30, 2022. 100% Other Funds.

Funds are to be budgeted in Fiscal year 2022 as follows:

03-035-035-350010-22650000, Donations - Gifts

Class-Account	Description	FY22 Adjusted Authorized	Requested Change	Revised FY22 Adjusted Authorized
Revenue				
003-402770	Revolving Fund	0	-94,000	-94,000
	Total Revenue	0	-94,000	-94,000
020-500200	Current Expenses	0	4,000	4,000
030-500300	Equipment	0	7,000	7,000
039-500181	Telecommunications	0	25,000	25,000
057-500534	Books Periodicals Subscriptions	0	48,000	48,000
103-502507	Contracts for Ops Services	0	10,000	10,000
	Total Expenses	0	94,000	94,000

The following appropriation authorities are being requested for Fiscal Year 2022:

Class 20 – Current Expenses: For supplies, etc. related to the preservation of NHSL collections and housing/maintenance of Talking Book collections

Class 030 – Equipment - New/Replacement: For replacement of equipment used by public while on site at NHSL or Talking Books. Includes scanning, printing, and public access computers/laptops.

Class 039 – Telecommunications: for upgrade of 2nd NHSL conference room and Map Room wiring to accommodate new WAPs for wifi access. Right now there is very limited wifi access on the 2nd floor due to the granite construction of the building, which inhibits trainings and workshops by NHSL staff for NH librarians, as well as conference room use by outside groups and other state agencies/commissions.

Class 57 – Books, Periodicals, Subscriptions: for purchase of replacement or new materials for the NHSL and Talking Books collections

Class 103 – Contracts for Ops Services: Outside non-federal grants obtained by NHSL library development staff to implement programming for NH public libraries. An example is the annual Summer Learning Grants, which facilitates the ability of small libraries throughout the state to provide summer reading program performers for their community.

EXPLANATION

DNCR is requesting \$94,000 in prior year carry forward fund revenue from the State Library Donations account to be appropriated for FY 2022. The monies are from outside individuals/organizations in support of collections, facilities, supplies, and programs that support the needs of NH library personnel and the NH state library staff. For example, the NH Summer Learning Grants Program is dedicated to supporting programming needs for New Hampshire public libraries during the summer reading months when school is not in session in order to prevent a decline in literacy levels for K-12 students. This funding, from outside non-profit agency grants, is for New Hampshire public libraries who apply for this money using specified criteria and are awarded funds based on the merit of their application, as reviewed by State Library staff.

Respectfully submitted,

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Commissioner