

Report on the Selectboard Meeting of February 10, 2026

Prepared by Alison Freeman

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<https://www.youtube.com/@GeorgetownME>

The Meeting: The meeting was conducted as a Zoom hybrid. Selectboard Members Aria Eee and Katie Goodwin, and Town Administrator Tyler Washburn were together in the Town Office. There were 16 members of the public in attendance in person or on Zoom.

Most Important/Interesting Items: In my judgment, the following items were the most important things covered during the meeting.

- Select Board Meeting start times were changed back to 7pm
- During Public Comment Lisa Sabitine reported she had turned in a petition for increasing the Selectboard from 3 to 5 members. *(I expect this is something that will be discussed further in a process similar to DRAFT ordinances and then voted on at Town Meeting)*
- The Town has been in conversation with the MDOT (Maine Dept. of Transportation) regarding the condition of Rt 127 particularly the area near the Post Office. There is currently a shortage of Hot Patch and Cold Patch does not work in the current conditions
- People are curious about the solar panel on the Back River Bridge. It may have something to do with lighting under the bridge. Waiting for an answer
- Rufus Brown was appointed to the Planning Board (completing Bob Arledge's Unexpired Term, Expiring Town Meeting 2028)
- The meeting began with a moment of silence in memory of Stephen Thibodeau

Correspondence:

The Town Administrator reported on correspondence received. For a complete listing of this correspondence, see the Meeting Agenda on the Town website. Members of the public may come to the Town Office to read the correspondence items listed here.

The most interesting items were:

- Dept. of Marine Resources - Marine Patrol Vacancy Notice
- AOS 98 - Notice of School District Budget Vote
- Central Maine Power - Notice re: tree trimming
- Bert's Oil Service, Inc - Notice re: change of ownership
- Funding Request Letters:
 - Tedford Shelter
 - Oasis Free Clinics
 - Patten Free Library

Upcoming Events/Dates:

Wednesday, February 11 - Special Planning Board Meeting- 1pm - HYBRID

Wednesday, February 11 - School Committee - 5pm - HYBRID

Thursday, February 12 - Working Waterfront Work Group- 5pm - ZOOM

Thursday, February 12 - Solid Waste Management Committee - 7pm -ZOOM

Friday, February 13 - Special Planning Board Meeting 1 pm - HYBRID

Monday, February 16 - Town Office Closure in observation of Presidents' Day.

Monday, February 16- Georgetown Volunteer Fire Dept. Business Meeting - 7pm - IN PERSON

Tuesday, February 17 - Special Select Board Election Day 10am to 8pm

Tuesday, February 17 - Town Owned Property Management Board -4pm - HYBRID

Wednesday, February 18 - Planning Board - 7pm - HYBRID

Thursday, February 19 - Board of Appeals - 5:30pm - HYBRID

Tuesday, February 24 - Select Board - 7pm - HYBIRD

Wednesday, February 25 - Cemetery District Trustees – 10am - IN PERSON

NOTE: Zoom or Hybrid indicates Zoom available if requested

The next meeting of the Selectboard will be at 7 PM on Tuesday, February 24th. The public is welcome to attend in person or on ZOOM. E-mail gtwnme@hotmail.com for the ZOOM code to join the meeting no later than 2pm that day. The agenda and meeting packet are available, usually the Monday before a meeting, at: https://www.georgetownme.com/?page_id=6611

Prepared and distributed by Alison Freeman

SELECT BOARD, TOWN OF GEORGETOWN

Agenda for Tuesday, February 10, 2026 at 6:00 pm

Hybrid meeting held via ZOOM for public and at the Town Office for SB Members who wish.

Please email gtwnme@hotmail.com for the ZOOM login info.

*indicates copy provided to Select Board

***INDICATES THE NEED FOR A MOTION TO APPROVE**

Call to order:

Moment of Silence

Public comment:

Items to be added to the agenda (if approved by chair and board):

Scheduled appointments:

- 6:10pm – Executive Session regarding Personnel
- 6:45pm – Adjournment

Minutes:

- Minutes of January 27*

Review: *none*

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Board Member / Committee Updates:

- Ms. Eee:
- Ms. Goodwin:

Town Administrator Update

Old Business:

- Ongoing Discussion re: EMS Billing (no action expected)
- Possible Lighting Project from Energy Audit (no action expected)
- Working Waterfront Work Group Update (no action expected)

New Business:

- Appointment of Rufus Brown to the Planning Board (completing Bob Arledge's Unexpired Term, Expiring Town Meeting 2028) 

- Change of Select Board Meeting start times – 7pm ✱

Items For Signature:

Public comment:

Executive Session: Pursuant to 1 MRS § 405(6)(A) regarding Personnel Matters

Adjournment: No later than 6:45pm to allow for Candidates' Night

UPCOMING MEETINGS, EVENTS, AND DATES TO REMEMBER...

NOTE: an asterisk (*) indicates Zoom available if requested

Tuesday, February 10 – Financial Advisory Committee – 1pm - HYBRID*

Tuesday, February 10 – Select Board – 6pm HYBRID

NOTE: This Select Board Meeting is anticipated to adjourn no later than 6:45pm)

Tuesday, February 10 – Special Election Candidates Night – 7pm – HYBRID

NOTE: Candidates' Night will take place in the GCS Gymnasium and on Zoom.

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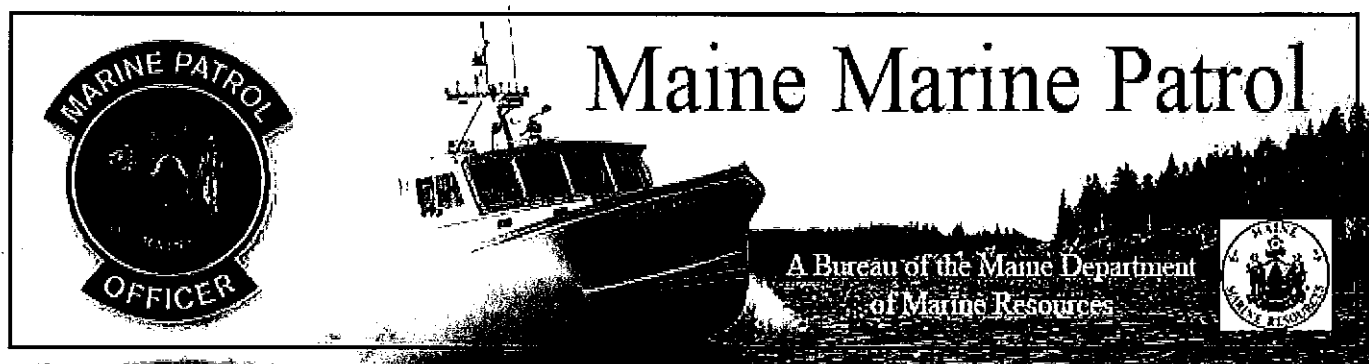
Wednesday, February 25 – Cemetery District Trustees – 10am - IN PERSON

Seasonal Marine Patrol Officer Position Available

From Department of Marine Resources <DMR@subscriptions.maine.gov>

Date Mon 2/9/2026 9:25 AM

To gtwnme@hotmail.com <gtwnme@hotmail.com>



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 SHARE

The Maine Marine Patrol has an opening for a full-time seasonal Marine Patrol Officer primarily focused on recreational fishing and boating enforcement on the Kennebec River. The seasonal Marine Patrol Officer will also have exposure to the fisheries investigations Marine Patrol conducts in the region of section II in Division I.

Information and an online application can be found on DMR's website.

DO NOT REPLY TO THIS EMAIL AS RESPONSES ARE NOT MONITORED.

This service is provided to you as a courtesy by the Maine Department of Marine Resources.

AOS District Budget vote

From Evelyn Andrews <eandrews@aos98schools.org>

Date Wed 2/4/2026 7:15 PM

Good Evening,

The AOS98 School Board passed their budget tonight.

Now it goes on to a district vote. (This is the big meeting in the BRES Gym for all voters of Boothbay, Boothbay Harbor, Edgecomb, Southport and Georgetown to vote)

We are looking at Tuesday, March 17 at 6pm for this meeting.

Please let me know if you know of any schedule conflicts with this date.

Thank you!

Evelyn

Evelyn Andrews

Executive Assistant/HR

AOS 98 | ROCKY CHANNELS SCHOOL SYSTEM

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January 27, 2026

TOWN CLERK
GEORGETOWN
50 BAY POINT RD, PO BOX 436
GEORGETOWN, ME 04548-0436

Reliable electricity service for your community

Here in Maine, we live in the most heavily forested state in the nation and having beautiful trees too close to our electrical wires can cause power outages or lead to other public safety issues. In fact, tree-related damage, especially during strong storms, was the number one cause of power outages last year. That's why we work year-round to maintain safe clearances around our lines. It's the most effective way we can reduce tree-related outages and deliver the reliable electricity service you depend on. We know trees are an important part of any community, and our local arborist is ready to work with you.

Our Tree Care crews will be conducting tree work in your community in 2026. They will prune and remove trees, brush, and other vegetation within public rights-of-way to ensure safe and reliable electricity service to your community. We hire only qualified contractors who are trained to use techniques sanctioned by the Tree Care Industry Association.

People who live adjacent to public roads have the right to consult with us before routine work takes place. If customers in your community are interested in consulting with us about any of this tree work, please have them contact us at **group.arborists_cmp@cmpco.com**. Please note, if trees cause outages or pose an immediate hazard to safety or service reliability, we will perform emergency tree work and may not be able to consult with them beforehand.

In an effort to keep our customers informed about the tree care plans in your community, on the back of this letter is a poster that you can display in your municipal office. Customers can also visit **cmpco.com/TreeCare** for additional information about our Tree Care program.

We are proud to deliver safe, reliable electricity service to the communities of Maine. I look forward to working with you on tree care in your community in 2026.

Sincerely,

Kathryn Manende Hall

Katie Manende Hall
Manager, Vegetation Management



January 2026



TOWN OF GEORGETOWN
PO BOX 436
GEORETOWN, ME 04548

Dear Town Of Georgetown,

It has truly been our privilege to be the ones you call to keep your home warm. We are proud to have been a part of this community for over 70 years. This never would have been possible without amazing, loyal customers like you. Recently, we began thinking about the future of Bert's and realized that we needed a fuel partner—not a large, out-of-state corporation, but a company that values our customers the same way we do. That is why we are pleased to share that Bert's Oil Service is joining the M.W. Sewall family!

We will truly do our best to make this transition hassle-free on your part. And while a few things will be different, almost everything you've come to rely on will stay the same. Including me! I am very excited to announce that I have decided to continue to be the voice you hear when you call and the face you see when you pop by. Keeping that personal connection with you all was a top priority for us when making this decision.

What Stays Exactly the Same:

- **Your Contracts:** Any current agreement you have with Bert's will be honored in full.
- **Your Pricing:** Your pricing plans, service agreements, and discounts are staying put.
- **Your Peace of Mind:** You don't need to do a thing; your service continues without a hitch.

The Few Things That Will Be Different:

- **The Office Location:** Starting February 10th the Bert's office will close to walk-in traffic. Going forward I will now be in the M.W. Sewall office at **259 Front Street, Bath, Maine**. I look forward to seeing you there!
- **The Trucks:** You will start seeing M.W. Sewall trucks in your driveway making your deliveries and performing your service.
- **The Invoices:** Starting February 10th your billing will now come from M.W. Sewall.
- **The Team:** I will now have a larger team behind me and additional resources, all focused on ensuring that you and your homes stay warm and safe when it matters most

M.W. Sewall has been part of this community since 1887. While the name on the truck is changing and with a few new faces, our commitment to keeping your family safe and warm is stronger than ever!

M.W. Sewall is very excited to welcome the entire Bert's Oil family into theirs.

- **To see me:** Feel free to stop by the M.W. Sewall office at **259 Front Street, Bath, Maine**.

BERT'S
Oil Service, Inc.
Fuel Oil, Kerosene - (207)443-2212



To all our Valued Customers,

Over 70 years ago Bert Reed opened "Bert's Esso". We are proud that his vision remained through three generations, with even a forth working there as well. No doubt he would be proud. We would like to start off by thanking you for years of loyal business. Bert's would have never survived without all of our amazing customers in this community.

The time has come for us to move on. We have decided to sell the gas station. This was not an easy decision. We are very thankful the buyers hope to keep things very much the same, keeping it full serve and keeping all employees. We hope you will welcome them to our small town and continue to do business with them. Change is never easy but we are very excited to see some new life and energy brought to the station.

As far as the In-house charge accounts, unfortunately these accounts will be closed.

We understand the accounts are very convenient and apologize for this, but due to the cost of billing and carrying balances for months, we agree with their decision. Irving Reward cards may be a good option and would save you money with each fill up. End of January statements will be sent as usual. A final statement from us will be sent sometime in February, after the official transfer. We ask you pay those to Bert's Oil Service as usual and mail to PO Box 309 Bath, ME 04530. Please do not leave payments at the station. Any questions, please feel free to call Jenni at 837-4412.

Again, we can't thank you enough for your loyalty and patronage. Bert's has been a proud member of this community, with many customers becoming friends. We will definitely miss seeing all of you.

Sincerely,

Billy and Jenni Reed, and the entire Reed family

21 January 2026

Select Board, Town of Georgetown
Town Office Georgetown

RESIGNATION FROM PLANNING BOARD

Since the Georgetown Planning Board has two excellent alternate members available, and since I will be dealing with medical issues for several months, I am resigning from the Planning Board.

If there is any need in the future for someone to fill the need for a temporary Planning Board member, I will try to make myself available.

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January 29, 2026

Bob Trabona
Financial Advisory Committee
Town of Georgetown
PO Box 436
Georgetown, ME 04548

Dear Mr. Trabona and Financial Advisory Committee Members,

The Oasis Free Clinics respectfully requests \$500 from the Town of Georgetown to provide quality health and dental care to uninsured, low-income residents of Georgetown. In 2025, we provided free medical, dental, and eye care services to 7 Georgetown residents. They had 25 visits with our medical providers, and three visits with our volunteer optometrist. Additionally, they saw our volunteer dental team, including our dentist and hygienist 12 times throughout the year, receiving tens of thousands of dollars in free dental services. This helped your residents stay healthy for their families, their employers, and their community.

We appreciate the opportunity to serve our neighbors and our community. Oasis is celebrating its 30th anniversary this year, and we are grateful for the support of the residents of Georgetown.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Anita Ruff
Executive Director



February 28, 2026

Town of Georgetown
PO Box 436
Georgetown, ME 04548

Dear Georgetown Select Board,

On behalf of the Patten Free Library Board of Trustees, we respectfully request the Town of Georgetown's support for library operations in the 2026–2027 fiscal year, ensuring continued, equitable access to library services for all Georgetown residents. For the coming year, we are requesting **\$27,625**, an increase of \$2,966 over last year's request of \$24,659.

The past year has been a very active and productive one for the Library. We successfully completed the installation of a new HVAC system, allowing us to provide cooling during the summer months for the first time. While this has increased electrical usage, we are offsetting costs through the addition of rooftop solar arrays and our participation in a solar farm. In partnership with the City of Bath, we also improved the walkways around the building and upgraded our accessible entrance, making the Library safer and more welcoming for all.

In addition, we are currently fundraising for a first-floor renovation project that will further enhance accessibility both inside and outside the building, increase the number of small gathering spaces, and improve the overall patron experience with new seating and displays.

Patten Free Library continues to serve as a vital community hub. Over the past year, we doubled the number of programs we offer, including storytimes, after-school programs for children, digital literacy instruction, Repair Café, book discussions, foreign language conversation groups, writing groups, and AARP Tax-Aide services.

We are also launching a Library of Things initiative, which will allow cardholders to borrow non-traditional items such as a DVD player, adaptive technology for seniors, a Meeting Owl, and science backpacks.

Most recently, we formed a new partnership with the Chocolate Church Arts Center, providing library cardholders with free passes to performances. We also offer free passes to Maine State Parks, Coastal Maine Botanical Gardens, Portland Museum of Art, Maine Maritime Museum, Children's Museum & Theater of Maine, Railway Village Museum, and Farnsworth Art Museum.

I would be happy to meet with the Georgetown Select Board to talk about the Library, the value it provides to Georgetown residents, and to discuss our funding request. Thank you for your continued partnership and support.

With warm appreciation,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lesley Dolinger". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Lesley Dolinger
Director

Patten Free Library Budget
FY 2026-2027

<u>REVENUE</u>	<u>22-23</u>	<u>23-24</u>	<u>24-25</u>	<u>25-26</u>	<u>26-27</u>
Municipal Contributions	\$293,115	\$314,900	\$330,638	\$384,304	\$453,494
ENDOWMENT & TRUST					
Endowment	\$410,641	\$411,409	\$411,823	\$405,275	\$421,907
Additional Endowment Draw				\$63,100	\$33,476
Frank Givin Trust	\$51,576	\$57,480	\$49,770	\$44,930	\$44,470
FUNDRAISING					
Annual Appeal					
Special Events					
Business Support					
Periodical Donations					
Total Giving	\$130,000	\$135,000	\$150,000	\$155,000	\$155,000
FRIENDS					
Friends Contribution	\$14,000	\$15,000	\$17,000	\$18,000	\$18,000
Bookstore	\$34,000	\$36,000	\$36,000	\$44,000	\$48,000
GIFTS					
Bath Historical Society	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$6,000	\$6,000
Children's Programming Gifts	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
Anonymous Unrestricted Grant	\$0	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000
OTHER INCOME					
Printing Fees	\$4,000	\$4,500	\$4,500	\$4,500	\$6,000
Fines	\$8,000	\$7,000	\$0	\$500	\$500
Nonresident Fees	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,500	\$4,500	\$5,000
Library Merchandise Sales				\$1,000	\$1,000
Other Income	\$0	\$0	\$500	\$500	\$500
Carry Forward			\$42,900	\$0	\$34,000
Total Revenue	\$960,332	\$1,016,289	\$1,077,631	\$1,151,609	\$1,247,347

Patten Free Library Budget
FY 2026-2027

OPERATING EXPENSES

22-23

23-24

24-25

25-26

26-27

Salaries & Benefits

Salaries & Wages	\$542,803.00	\$564,515.00	\$597,153.00	\$618,991.00	\$669,512.00
ER Social Sec.	\$33,653.79	\$34,999.93	\$37,023.49	\$38,377.44	\$41,509.74
ER- Medicare	\$7,870.64	\$8,185.47	\$8,658.72	\$8,975.37	\$9,707.92
Paid Family Medical Leave (PFML)				\$6,189.91	\$6,695.12
Retirement Annuity	\$28,000.00	\$30,000.00	\$32,520.00	\$38,200.00	\$41,000.00
Insurance-health,dental,life	\$47,232.00	\$49,400.00	\$61,000.00	\$74,075.00	\$80,000.00
Worker's Compensation	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
Disability Insurance	\$5,500.00	\$5,700.00	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00
Unemployment Insurance	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$3,000.00
Payroll Services			\$4,500.00	\$4,500.00	\$4,500.00
Total Salaries & Benefits	\$669,559.43	\$697,300.40	\$751,355.20	\$800,308.72	\$864,424.79

Building & Equipment M&R	\$55,200.00	\$55,200.00	\$60,200.00	\$70,200.00	\$85,200.00
Capital Reserve				\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
Supplies - Building	\$2,000.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
Supplies - Office	\$8,000.00	\$8,000.00	\$7,000.00	\$7,500.00	\$7,500.00
Marketing	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
Merchandise				\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Memberships & Dues	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,500.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,500.00
Staff Training & Development	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00
Board Training & Development				\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
Programs/ Exhibits - Adult	\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00
Programs/ Exhibits - Young Adult	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
Programs/ Exhibits - Children	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
Programs/ Exhibits - History Room			\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
Programs/ Summer Reading				\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
Professional Services	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$16,800.00	\$18,800.00
Van Delivery				\$2,431.00	\$2,600.00
Postage	\$3,000.00	\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00	\$4,000.00
Credit Card Fees	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,500.00
Insurance	\$16,500.00	\$16,500.00	\$17,000.00	\$18,000.00	\$23,500.00
Electricity	\$15,000.00	\$27,400.00	\$27,400.00	\$28,000.00	\$28,000.00

Patten Free Library Budget
FY 2026-2027

<u>EXPENSES</u>	<u>22-23</u>	<u>23-24</u>	<u>24-25</u>	<u>25-26</u>	<u>26-27</u>
Fuel Oil	\$16,000.00	\$23,200.00	\$23,200.00	\$1,750.00	\$1,750.00
Telephone	\$5,000.00	\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00	\$4,500.00	\$5,000.00
Water & Sewer	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,500.00	\$3,000.00
Copy Machine/Printing Expense	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$6,500.00	\$6,500.00	\$7,000.00
Development	\$10,500.00	\$10,500.00	\$10,500.00	\$14,000.00	\$16,850.00
Materials- Adult	\$37,000.00	\$37,000.00	\$37,000.00	\$40,700.00	\$40,700.00
Materials - YA	\$4,500.00	\$4,500.00	\$4,500.00	\$4,950.00	\$4,950.00
Materials - History Room	\$1,450.00	\$1,450.00	\$1,450.00	\$1,450.00	\$1,450.00
Materials-Children's	\$18,000.00	\$18,000.00	\$18,000.00	\$19,800.00	\$19,800.00
Periodicals	\$8,000.00	\$8,500.00	\$8,000.00	\$8,000.00	\$8,000.00
Furniture & Equipment	\$1,500.00	\$2,700.00	\$2,700.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
Contingency	\$623.00	\$1,039.00	\$1,326.00	\$1,720.00	\$4,823.00
Technology - MSC/Support	\$24,000.00	\$27,000.00	\$27,000.00	\$26,000.00	\$25,000.00
Technology - Hardware & Software	\$21,000.00	\$25,000.00	\$25,000.00	\$26,000.00	\$26,000.00
Bookstore expenses	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00	\$13,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$16,000.00
Total Operating Expenses	\$960,332.43	\$1,016,289.40	\$1,077,631.20	\$1,151,609.72	\$1,247,347.79

Approved by the Patten Free Library Board of Trustees 1/13/26

Patten Free Library
Municipal Contributions Per Capita

Current Municipal Contributions (FY25-26)			
Town	2020 Census	Per Capita Amount	Total
Bath	8766	\$26.52	\$232,504
Arrowsic	477	\$23.31	\$11,118
Georgetown	1058	\$23.31	\$24,659
West Bath	1910	\$23.31	\$44,517
Woolwich	3068	\$23.31	\$71,506
Totals	15279		\$384,304

Requested (FY26-27) Municipal Contributions			
Town	2020 Census	Per Capita Amount*	Total
Bath	8766	\$32.33	\$283,434
Arrowsic	477	\$26.11	\$12,455
Georgetown	1058	\$26.11	\$27,625
West Bath	1910	\$26.11	\$49,872
Woolwich	3068	\$26.11	\$80,108
Total	15279		\$453,494

*Rounded

Town	Amount Increase	
Bath		\$50,930
Arrowsic		\$1,337
Georgetown		\$2,966
West Bath		\$5,355
Woolwich		\$8,602
Total		\$69,190

12/2/2025



Cost Benefit of the Patten Free Library to the Town of Georgetown

For fiscal year 2025–2026, the Town of Georgetown contributed **\$24,659 (\$23.31 per capita)** to the Patten Free Library for library services. For FY 2026–2027, we are requesting an increase of **\$2,966**, for a total request of **\$27,625 (\$26.11 per capita)**. By comparison, the Maine statewide average per capita support for libraries of similar size in 2024, based on the most recent available data, was \$39.91 (see attached *Maine Public Library Comparison*).

Cardholders:

- There are **424** active cardholders from Georgetown. (An active cardholder is anyone who has a new card or has renewed a card within the last 2 years.) Of those, **365** are adults, **10** are young adults, and **49** are children.

In 2025:

- **50** new library cards were issued to Georgetown residents.
- Georgetown residents checked out **5,210** physical items. Of those items, **990** were borrowed through interlibrary loan (ILL).
- **50** Georgetown residents borrowed **1,513** eBooks and e-audiobooks from CloudLibrary.
- **21** Georgetown residents participated in the Summer Reading Program. Of those, **17** were children, **2** were young adults, and **2** were adults.

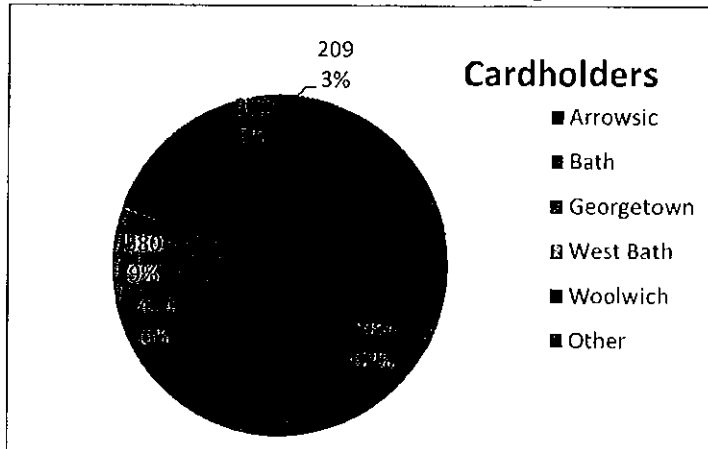
Benefits for Cardholders and Member Communities:

- **Free access to Maine parks, museums, and cultural venues**, including Maine State Parks Pass, Coastal Maine Botanical Gardens, Portland Museum of Art, Maine Maritime Museum, Children's Museum & Theater of Maine, Railway Village Museum, Farnsworth Art Museum, and Chocolate Church Arts Center.
- Borrowing from our **digital collections** which include eBooks, audiobooks, magazines, and video.
- Borrowing from our **Library of Things Collection** (non-traditional items such as a telescope, DVD player, or lawn game).
- **Home Delivery Services** for any eligible resident of a member community.

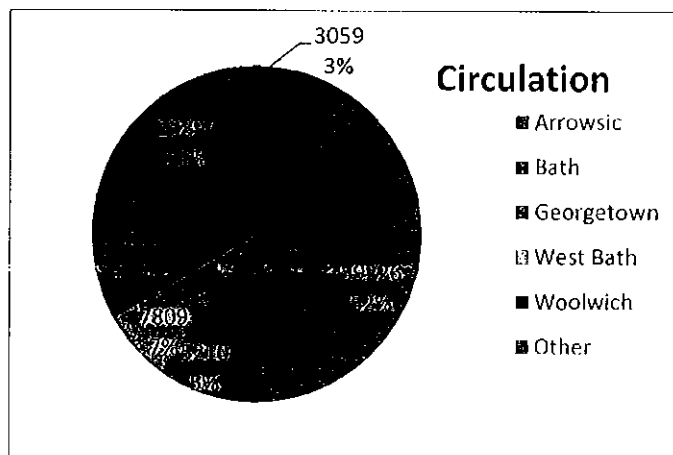
Benefits for All:

- Access to over **700 annual programs** for all ages including storytimes, after school programs for children, digital literacy and instruction, Repair Café, book discussions, foreign language conversation, writing groups, AARP Tax-Aide, and more!
- **History Room collections** and **research help** for local history and genealogy.
- Access to **public computers, Wifi, and wireless printing**.
- **Reservable spaces** for 1-56 people, including the Community Room, Group Study Room, and Work Pods.

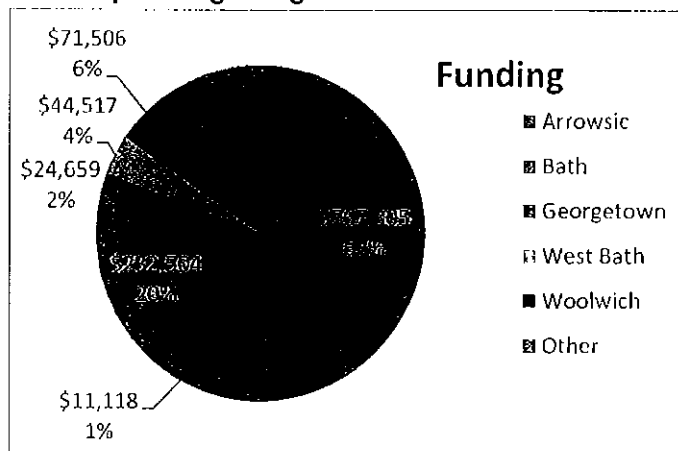
In 2025, 6% of our cardholders were Georgetown residents.



In 2025, 5% of the total physical items circulated were borrowed by Georgetown residents.



2% of our total operating budget comes from the Town of Georgetown.



Location	Municipality	Population (LSA)	Local Gov Revenue	Local Gov Revenue Per Capita	Total Operating Revenue	% of Local Revenue to Total Operating
FALMOUTH MEMORIAL LIBRARY (NP)	Falmouth	12,868	\$904,793	\$70.31	\$1,196,809	75.60%
PRINCE MEMORIAL LIBRARY (M)	Cumberland	13,064	\$818,285	\$62.64	\$878,346	93.16%
WELLS PUBLIC LIBRARY (M)	Wells	11,855	\$678,367	\$57.22	\$693,912	97.76%
YORK PUBLIC LIBRARY (NP)	York	14,118	\$790,400	\$55.99	\$971,341	81.37%
WATERVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY (NP)	Waterville	16,823	\$909,480	\$54.06	\$969,829	93.78%
LITHGOW PUBLIC LIBRARY (M)	Augusta	19,102	\$948,387	\$49.65	\$981,287	96.65%
RICE PUBLIC LIBRARY (M)	Kittery	10,784	\$532,293	\$49.36	\$542,663	98.09%
OLD TOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY (M)	Old Town	10,540	\$492,471	\$46.72	\$547,334	89.98%
KENNEBUNK FREE LIBRARY (NP)	Kennebunk	16,386	\$680,036	\$41.50	\$1,048,001	64.89%
ELLSWORTH PUBLIC LIBRARY (M)	Ellsworth	17,016	\$663,838	\$39.01	\$717,738	92.49%
BAXTER MEMORIAL LIBRARY (M)	Gorham	18,346	\$584,165	\$31.84	\$596,218	97.98%
WINDHAM PUBLIC LIBRARY (M)	Windham	19,658	\$612,378	\$31.15	\$612,378	100.00%
WALKER MEMORIAL LIBRARY (M)	Westbrook	20,564	\$636,105	\$30.93	\$642,018	99.08%
DYER LIBRARY (NP)	Saco	20,960	\$639,029	\$30.49	\$791,392	80.75%
ORONO PUBLIC LIBRARY (M)	Orono	12,253	\$371,376	\$30.31	\$374,146	99.26%
MCARTHUR PUBLIC LIBRARY (NP)	Biddeford	22,367	\$665,000	\$29.73	\$1,430,719	46.48%
GARDINER PUBLIC LIBRARY (M)	Gardiner	21,559	\$563,948	\$26.16	\$632,940	89.10%
GOODALL & SPRINGVALE LIBRARIES (NP)	Sanford	22,251	\$561,975	\$25.26	\$1,293,686	43.44%
PATTEN FREE LIBRARY (NP)	Bath*	14,932	\$314,899	\$21.09	\$1,015,808	31.00%
CARY LIBRARY (NP)	Houlton	13,660	\$201,465	\$14.75	\$301,048	66.92%
	Average			\$39.91		81.89%

Other Libraries by Physical Proximity

TOPSHAM PUBLIC LIBRARY (NP)	Topsham	9,751	\$789,177	\$80.93	\$951,283	82.96%
ROCKLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY (M)	Rockland	7,031	\$519,177	\$73.84	\$671,363	77.33%
FREEPORT COMMUNITY LIBRARY (M)	Freeport	8,781	\$612,220	\$69.72	\$630,209	97.15%
CURTIS MEMORIAL LIBRARY (NP)	Brunswick	27,468	\$1,910,833	\$69.57	\$2,403,493	79.50%
BOOTHBAY HARBOR LIBRARY (NP)	Boothbay Harbor	6,457	\$149,888	\$23.21	\$486,099	30.83%
SKIDOMPHA LIBRARY (NP)	Damariscotta	6,089	\$81,427	\$13.37	\$501,030	16.25%
WISCASSET PUBLIC LIBRARY (NP)	Wiscasset	6,588	\$84,300	\$12.80	\$236,040	35.71%

NP=Private/Nonprofit; M=Municipal

*Also includes Arrowsic, Georgetown, West Bath, and Woolwich



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Town of Georgetown 2026 Funding Request

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Amount of Funding Requested: \$1,000

Core Programs & Community Impact

1. **Emergency Shelter** - In December 2025, Tedford opened a new emergency shelter facility for adults and families experiencing immediate housing crises and homelessness. The facility has combined our administrative and case management offices with dedicated adult and family wings, increasing bed capacity by 60% from our previous locations. The facility, which has 24 adult beds and 10 family apartment units, ensures all guests can collaborate with a case manager to develop a personalized Housing Stability Plan, equipping them with the resources and skills needed to transition to permanent housing. Case managers continue to provide follow-up support for up to one year after a guest moves into housing, reducing the risk of recurrence and reinforcing long-term stability.
2. **Homelessness Outreach and Prevention** - Preventing homelessness before it occurs is the most efficient intervention in our toolkit. 40% of households in Maine's midcoast region live paycheck to paycheck, where a single unexpected expense—such as a car repair, medical bill, or high heating cost—can lead to missed rent payments and the risk of eviction. Tedford's prevention programs provide financial assistance for overdue rent, security deposits, and emergency heating aid through our *Warm Thy Neighbor* program. These proactive interventions, in combination with follow-up case management, are far more cost-effective than emergency shelter and help individuals and families avoid the trauma of displacement. By preserving housing stability, these efforts support continued employment, education, and overall well-being.
3. **Permanent Supportive Housing**- Tedford manages 37 income-restricted permanent supportive housing units across Brunswick, Bath, Lewiston, Auburn, and Augusta. These apartments provide safe, affordable housing for individuals and families who have previously experienced



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homelessness, many of whom face mental health challenges, physical disabilities, or other ongoing barriers to stability. On-site case management ensures residents have access to essential services and support in advancing their lives in areas such as employment, education, and health outcomes.

4. **Winter Warming Center** - Open November 15th to April 30th, our seasonal low-barrier winter warming center allows us to ensure none of our neighbors are left outside in Maine's harsh winters. Open 16 hours per day, the center is open to all — including pets, and serves a hot meal each evening. It is the only resource of its kind in our 40-town region.

In FY25, Tedford Housing provided:

- Emergency shelter and case management for 55 adults and 14 families (57 family members).
- Seasonal overnight winter warming center services to 130 unique individuals.
- Permanent supportive housing for 78 individuals across 37 units.
- Homelessness prevention and outreach services, including financial assistance for past-due rent and security deposits for 79 household members, and case management support for an additional 309 households.
- Emergency heating assistance through the Warm Thy Neighbor program to 231 households (477 household members).

Serving Georgetown Neighbors

- In FY25, Tedford Housing provided emergency heating assistance to 3 Georgetown households through our Warm Thy Neighbor program.
- In FY25, Tedford Housing operated a low-barrier overnight winter warming center for the first time—the only resource of its kind in the midcoast region between Portland, Augusta, and Rockland, serving an area of approximately 40 towns. While guests are not required to report a last permanent address to access the warming center, anecdotal observations indicate that many individuals traveled to Brunswick from communities across Sagadahoc County.

Tedford Housing's core service area includes Sagadahoc and Lincoln Counties, as well as northern Cumberland County, including Brunswick and Harpswell. The majority of our client data is tracked based on last permanent address, which may not fully capture Georgetown residents who access or benefit from Tedford Housing's programs.

For many of the individuals and families we serve, a "last permanent address" may reflect housing from years earlier and does not account for periods of housing instability, such as staying with friends or family, living in vehicles, or moving frequently to avoid homelessness. As a result, this data point can underrepresent residents from smaller or more rural communities—like Georgetown—whose housing



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instability may not be tied to a recent fixed address within town limits, even though they are actively seeking services in the region.

While the number of residents served from any single town may vary from year to year, every community benefits annually from a strong regional safety net. By ensuring that individuals and families who experience housing instability have access to shelter, prevention services, and support, Tedford Housing contributes to a safer, healthier, and more stable region for all municipalities.

Relationship to Other Agencies

Tedford collaborates daily with a strong network of safety net providers to address the complex challenges of homelessness. We work closely with Mid Coast Hunger Prevention Program, local churches, restaurants, and our dedicated Meal-a-Month volunteers to provide healthy meals at no cost to adult shelter guests. Oasis Free Clinics offers essential medical and dental care for Medicare-eligible guests, while social and behavioral health support is strengthened through partnerships with The Gathering Place, Curtis Memorial Library, the Town of Brunswick, and organizations such as Sweetser, Addiction Resource Center, and MaineHealth. When needed, we coordinate shelter admissions with discharge departments at Spring Harbor Hospital and Mid Coast Hospital to ensure smooth transitions from medical care to stable housing.

Signature: Andrew Landie

Date: 02-02-26



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SPECIAL EVENT!



2nd Annual Valentine's Day Community Sing-a-Long

Drive away the midwinter blues by joining the Georgetown Jammers to sing along to **VALENTINE'S DAY LOVE SONGS**

Georgetown Community Center
Wednesday, February 11 6-8 PM

B.Y.O.S

Bring Your Own Sweet-heart (or snacks)

Questions or info: marqueedeemusic@yahoo.com





Nominations Open for Citizen of the Year

**Nominate a Georgetown resident's
exceptional contributions
to our community**



**Submit your nominations by March 2:
email georgetownmainerecreation@gmail.com
or drop off at the Town Office**



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FREE YOGA

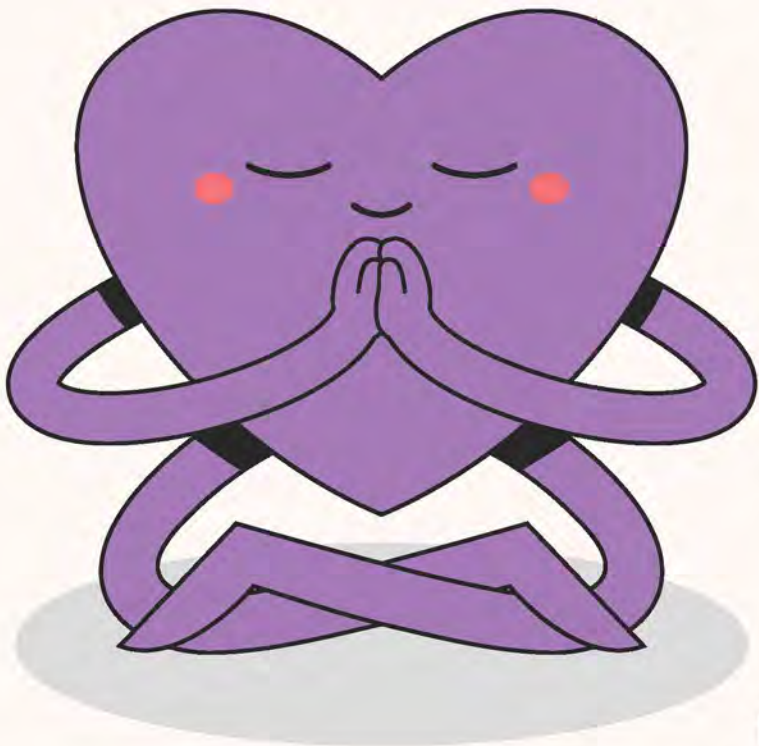


First Sundays
12:30 w/ Susan

Second Sundays
12:30 w/ Andrea

Third Sundays
12:30 w/ Susan

Fourth Sundays
12:30 w/ Sara



DONATIONS WELCOMED

NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY
& OPEN TO ALL RESIDENTS

GCS GYM

BYO MAT, WATER, TOWEL



Main Street Bath AWARD TENT!
Pick up your Medal & Take a Photo with
our Olympic Backdrop.
Get a Lantern for the Parade at 5pm.
At Hallet's Clock from 10 - 1pm





Synchronized Community Parachute!
Bring your friends and let the
nostalgia take over!
Next to Brackett's Market 10-1pm



Bath Winterfest

**Sat
Feb 21
2026**



DOWNTOWN OLYMPICS

**All Day Sales & Menu Specials
10-1pm Family Games & Contests
Bath Fire Dept. Touch a Truck
5-6pm Lantern Parade & CCAC Concert**



visitbath.com/winterfest

July 2, 3, 4 & 5, 2026

BATH, MAINE

Heritage Days

Happy Semiquincentennial!



America celebrates

250 Years!

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THE FIVE ISLANDS CHURCH

IS EXCITED TO INVITE YOU TO



THE TUESDAY CLUB

Every Tuesday, 3:20-4:45 pm
Community supper 5pm (please rsvp)
until April vacation

Starting Tuesday, September 16th
Students will get off of the bus
at the church 3:20pm
4:45pm pick up
5pm supper starts

Tuesday Club

Grade school students K-6th Grade are invited to enjoy a fun faith filled afternoon with Bible instruction, songs, memory verses and fun activities. Please send your student to school with a note for the bus so that the student can be dropped off at church. Healthy snacks will be provided.

Community Supper (please rsvp to Tiffany by Monday if possible)

On Tuesday evening we will be offering a community supper at 5:00 for you and your family. We will have a short message and home cooked meal. There is no cost to any of our programs.

We will follow the Georgetown School calendar for holiday breaks and in the event of any closures.

Should you have questions please feel free to reach out to
Tuesday Club Leader Donna Woerter 844-4541

Five Islands Baptist Church on Facebook or to Pastor Chris and Tiffany 841-1111
6 Old Schoolhouse Road, Georgetown ME 04548

Essential Rides for Everyday Living

Georgetown has a volunteer transportation program for older residents without other transportation options. This free program is all about getting neighbors to where they need to go. Local volunteers from your community are ready to drive a registered rider to different destinations such as the grocery store, medical appointments and social activities.

To register or to learn more about these rides Georgetown residents please get in touch with James Peavey at 207-387-0440 or email gtagefriendly@gmail.com.

This program would not be possible without the continuous support from the Bath Police Department, AARP Maine, UMaine Center on Aging/Lifelong Maine, the Maine Cabinet on Aging, and Age-Friendly Communities of the Lower Kennebec.



**Where every ride and
everyone matters.
Age-Friendly Georgetown**

Community Navigation

Sagadahoc County Emergency Management Agency
and Board of Health

What can a Community Navigator do for you?

Life can get overwhelming, but you don't have to figure it out alone. A Community Navigator is here to guide you, connect you with the right resources, and empower you to be self-sustaining.

Serving the towns of:

Arrowsic
Bath
Bowdoin
Bowdoinham
Georgetown
Phippsburg
Richmond
Topsham
West Bath
Woolwich



SAGADAHOC COUNTY
BOARD OF HEALTH

A Community Navigator can help you find:

Food & clothing
Housing & shelter
Recovery support
Childcare

Heat assistance
Transportation
Home repairs
And more!

Call our help line: 207-449-0185

Or email us at:
mhyumbaugh@sagadahoccountyme.gov