

Highland Park Public Library
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Dear Library Friends:

Unfortunately, due to the uncertain economic times, the library's 2010 budget has been reduced by 5%. The largest portion of every library's budget is spent on salaries & wages. Many of our operating expenses are fixed and have increased beyond our control. As a result, while trying to maintain the highest level of library services possible within these constraints, the Library Board had no choice but to make some very tough decisions for 2010 that include:

- **Closing alternate Saturdays and Sundays**
 - In January, we will be closed Sundays 1/3, 1/17 and 1/31 and Saturdays 1/9 and 1/23
 - In February, we will be closed Sundays 2/14 and 2/28 and Saturdays 2/6 and 2/20
 - In March, we will be closed Sundays 3/14 and 3/28 and Saturdays 3/6 and 3/20
 - We will also be distributing a flyer with all of the dates for the year in January
 - These dates might be subject to change. Please call the library or check the library website <http://www.hpplnj.org/> for the latest information

- **Book budget reduced 31%**
 - We will supplement the book budget as much as possible with monies raised from fundraising efforts
 - If you would like to make a donation, your contribution can be made directly to the Highland Park Public Library Book Fund, 31 North 5th Ave, Highland Park, NJ 08904.
 - This information will also be available on the library website <http://www.hpplnj.org/>
 - You may also help the library by joining the Friends of the Library <http://www.hpplnj.org/friends/form.php>

Sincerely,

Library Board of Trustees

Please check our web site <http://www.hpplnj.org> and library calendar <http://www.hpplnj.org/events.php> for further information