

Libraries are important to both the people and the State of Connecticut. As a retired library employee with over 30 years of serving the public and also a library card carrying resident for 67 of my 72 years, borrowing materials from libraries in our state has been a privilege and joy. My hometown library could not possibly provide all of my material or research needs nor the needs of our community. That single library card allows me to visit and borrow from approximately 169 Public Libraries and other institutions in our state. Budget money well spent. Sharing resources through borrowIT, requestIT and findIT just makes financial sense and also allows ALL of our residents equal access to the richness of material in our libraries.

It saddens me that our state has cut the budget of our state library by over 30% in the past decade and is proposing a budget reduction of 15% to borrowIT this year.

My vote to these cuts is No.

Respectfully submitted,

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