Illinois Freedom of Information Act
Huntley Area Public Library District

I. A brief description of the Library is as follows:

a. The Huntley Area Public Library District serves the community by providing a wide variety of items to borrow and by offering services for residents of all ages. The Library provides information, programs, and resource recommendations. The library’s website offers 24-hour access to electronic information services and the catalog. High quality, personalized service is the library’s goal. The library has one location at 11000 Ruth Road; Huntley, Illinois

b. The Library’s functional subdivisions are shown here:

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Library Subdivisions
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- Board of Trustees
- Director
- Collection Management
- Programming
- Maintenance
- Public Services
- IT
- Youth Services
- Marketing

c. The total amount of the Library’s operating budget for FY2023-2024 is $4,706,945. Funding sources are property taxes, state and federal grants, miscellaneous charges, and donations. Tax levies are:

i. Corporate purposes (for general operating expenditures), 2019 Bond (approved via 2019 referendum)

d. The office is located at: Huntley Area Public Library District, 11000 Ruth Road, Huntley, IL 60142. (847) 669-5386

e. The Library has approximately the following number of persons employed:

i. Full Time: 23
ii. Part Time: 21

f. The Huntley Area Public Library District Board of Library Trustees exercises control over the Library’s policies and procedures. The board meets on the third Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Program Room of the Library.

It’s members include: Chris Budzynski, President; Leslie Threadgill-Smith, Vice President; Shannon McKibben, Secretary; Katie Kunde, Treasurer; Sandy Domagalski, Stephanie Duncan, and Stephanie Weil.

g. The Library is required to report and be answerable for its operations to: The Illinois State Library, Springfield, Illinois. Its members are: State Librarian, Alexi Giannoulias (Secretary of State); Director of State Library, Greg McCormick; and various other staff.

II. You may request the information and the records available to the public in the following manner:

a. Use a request form (available from library staff) or submit a request via email, or by written letter. The request form is not required, but is helpful.

b. Your request should be directed to the following FOIA officers in the Library’s Business Office: Library Director, Frank Novak or Head of Public Services, Elizabeth Steffensen at foia@huntleylibrary.org.

c. You must indicate whether you have a “commercial purpose” in your request.
d. You must specify whether the records requested are to be disclosed for inspection or to be copied.
e. To reimburse the Library for the actual costs for reproducing the records, if requested, you will be charged the following fees:

- There is a $.50 per page charge for copied records.
- The actual copying cost of color copies and other sized copies will be charged (generally $1.00 per page for material larger than 8 ½" x 11".
- There is a $2.00 per page charge for certified records.

f. If the records are kept in electronic format, you may request a specific format and if feasible, they will be so provided, but if not, they will be provided either in the electronic format in which they are kept or in paper, as you select and where feasible.

g. The office will respond to a written request within five (5) working days or sooner if possible. An extension of an additional five (5) working days may be necessary to properly respond.

h. Records may be inspected or copied. If inspected, an employee must be present throughout the inspection.

i. The place and times where the records will be available are as follows:
   Monday – Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
   Huntley Area Public Library
   Administrative Office

III. The following items are available on the library website or through a FOIA request form:
   a. Monthly Financial Statements
   b. Annual Receipts and Disbursements Reports
   c. Budget and Appropriation Ordinances
   d. Levy Ordinances
   e. Operating Budgets
   f. Annual Audits
   g. Minutes of the Board of Library Trustees
   h. Library Policies, including Resource Selection
   i. Adopted Ordinances and Resolutions of the Board
   j. Annual Reports to the Illinois State Library

Please note that certain types of information maintained by the library are exempt from inspection and copying.

IV. For more information on the Illinois Freedom of Information Act, visit the website posted by the Illinois Attorney General at: https://www.illinoisattorneygeneral.gov/Open-and-Honest-Government/