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The Emmaus Public Library (EPL) receives the majority of its funding from our member municipalities, whose budgets have many demands. State funding has been seriously diminished from 2008 levels. While operating costs have gone up, funding levels have declined, resulting in cutbacks in operating hours.

At present, the library's per capita spending is \$7.45 for each resident-less than it costs to go to a movie. According to the Institute of Museum and Library Services, the national per capita average is \$38.09, with Pennsylvania libraries, on average able to invest \$26.17 per service area resident.

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Become an official Friend by making an annual charitable contribution. Friends receive invitations to special functions and have the opportunity to help the library in unique ways.

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## Friend

(noun)

- 1. A person attached to another by respect or affection
- 2. One who supports or favors something

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