

# Library Building and Expansion Planning Process

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# Built on Bequests

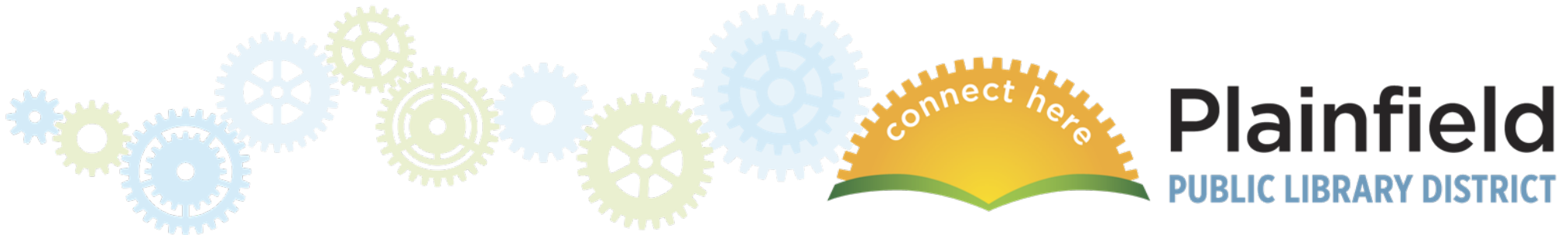


George and Marietta  
McClester (1919?)  
\$20,000 to establish and build a  
tax-supported library

Fannie Stratton (1954)  
160 acre farm in a charitable remainder trust to “help operate the  
Library.” It was sold in 1988 for \$1.5 million.

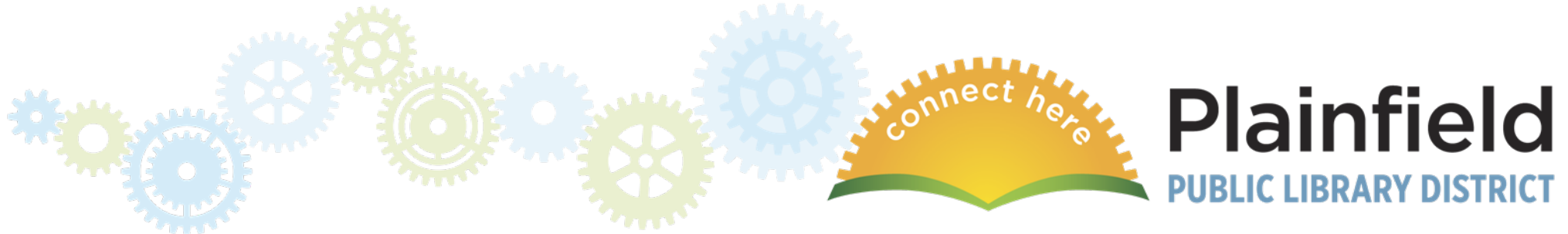


Ebenezer and Celeste  
Nimmons (1925)  
\$25,000 to the library board “to  
build, purchase a site, equip,  
maintain, repair, rebuild,  
refurnish or enlarge” the library



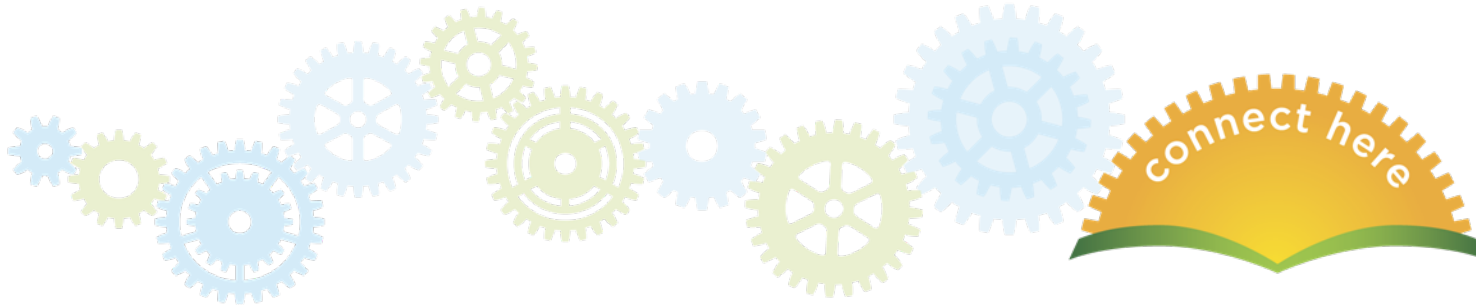
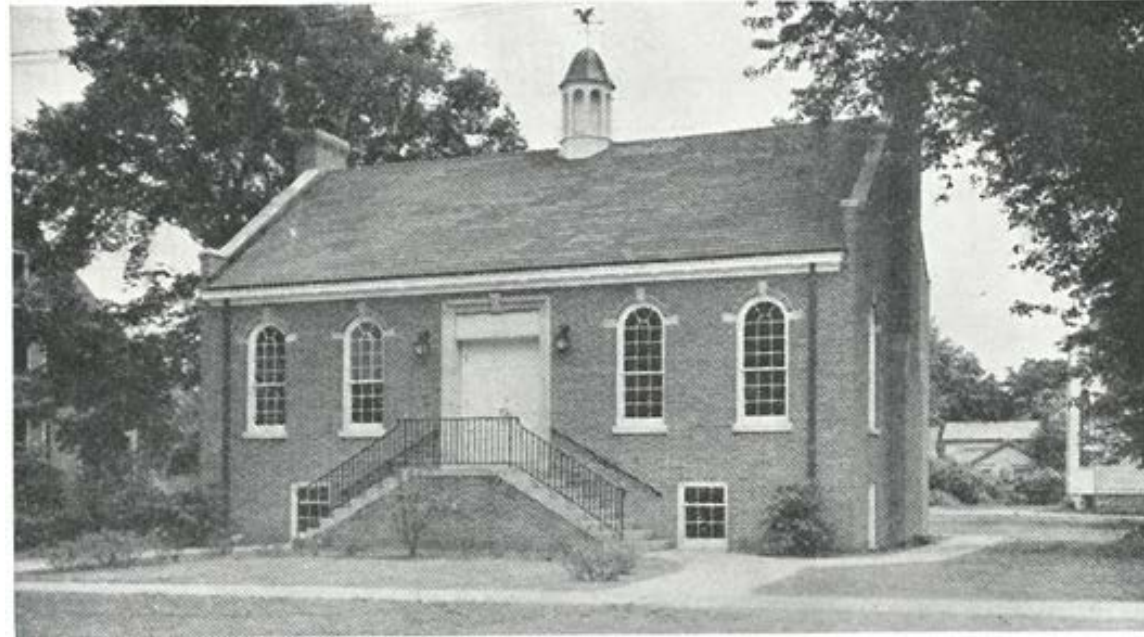
# Original Library

- Opened in 1926
- On Lockport Street
- 750 square feet
- **No taxpayer funds to build**
- McClester-Nimmons bequests



# New Library

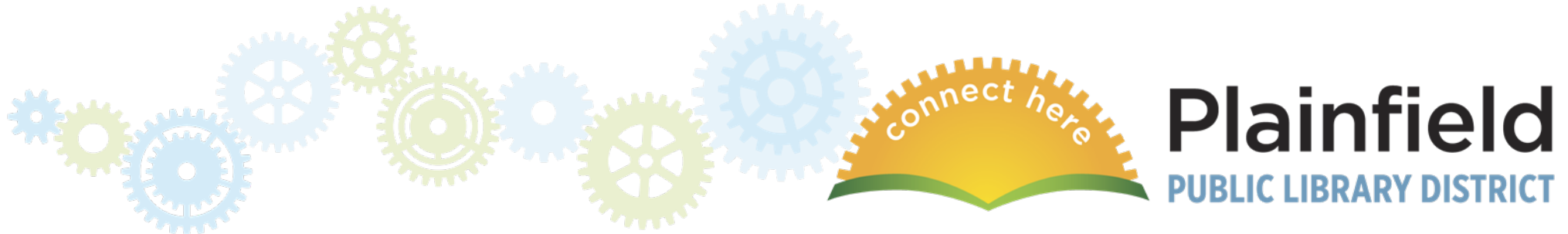
- Opened in 1941
- On Illinois Street
- 2,736 square feet
- **No taxpayer funds to build**
- McClester-Nimmons bequests



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# Expanded Library

- Opened in 1991, built out in 1996
- On Illinois Street
- 27,160 square feet
- \$3.5 million total cost
  - **\$1.9 million in taxpayer bonds**
  - \$1.4 million Stratton bequest
  - \$140,000 state grant



# Space Needs Analysis – Original Projections

## 2008

Projected service population:

**120,000 by 2030**

Library space need for service population:

**134,000 square feet**

**2009 Referendum: 100,000 sq ft**

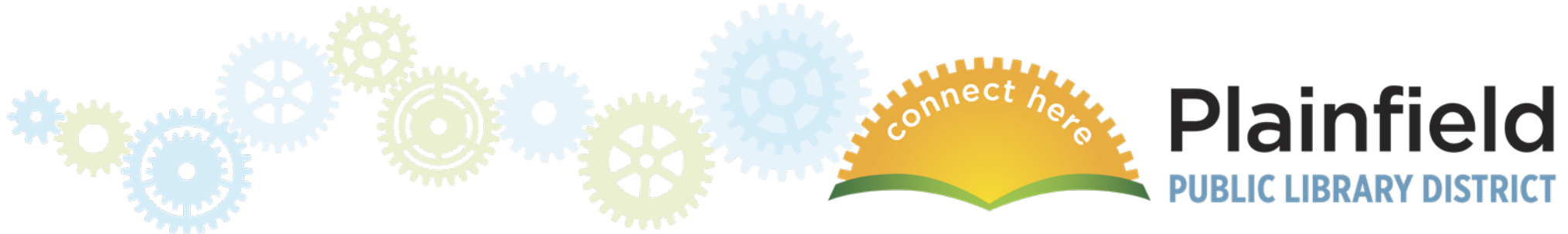
## 2015

Projected service population:

**109,000 by 2040**

Library space need for service population:

**94,000 square feet**



# Space Needs Analysis vs. Actual Plan

## 2008

Library Board of Trustees decided to reduce the total space in the plan by 25%, from 134,000 sq ft to 100,000 sq ft due to estimated total project cost.

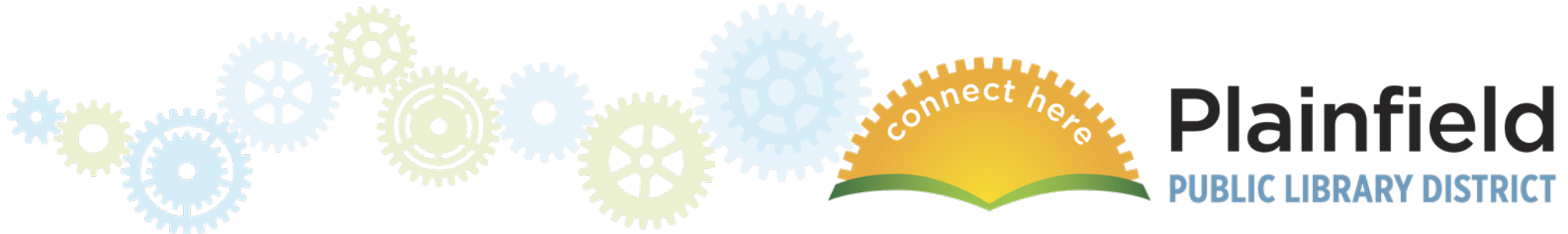
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Library Board of Trustees considers reducing the total space in the plan by 20-25%, from 94,000 sq ft to between 70,500 and 75,200 sq ft.



# 2009 Referendum

- Alternate Revenue Bonds
  - Existing library renovation/addition to 70,000 sq ft
  - Branch library of 30,000 sq ft
- Annual increase to operating funds
- **Average household cost estimated at \$15 per month / \$180 annual**





# Library District and Property Taxes

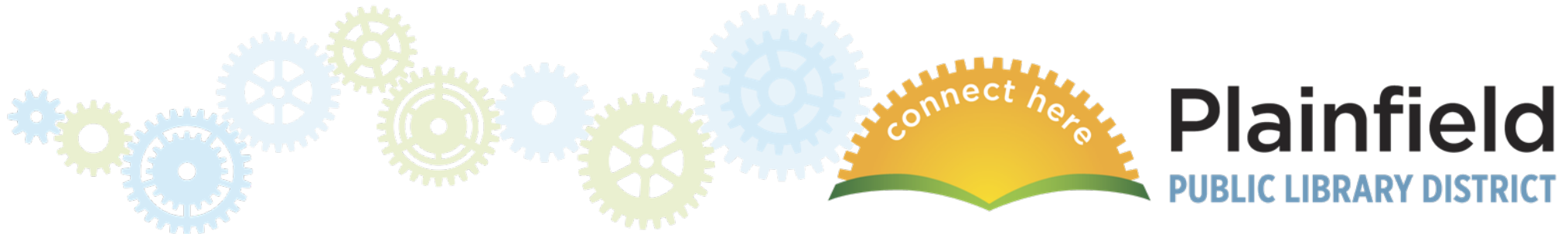
2014 Median Home Value in  
Library District = \$295,300

Total Tax Year 2014 Property Taxes  
on Median Home Value =  
\$8,858.07

Plainfield Public Library District  
Tax Year 2014 Property Taxes on  
Median Home Value:

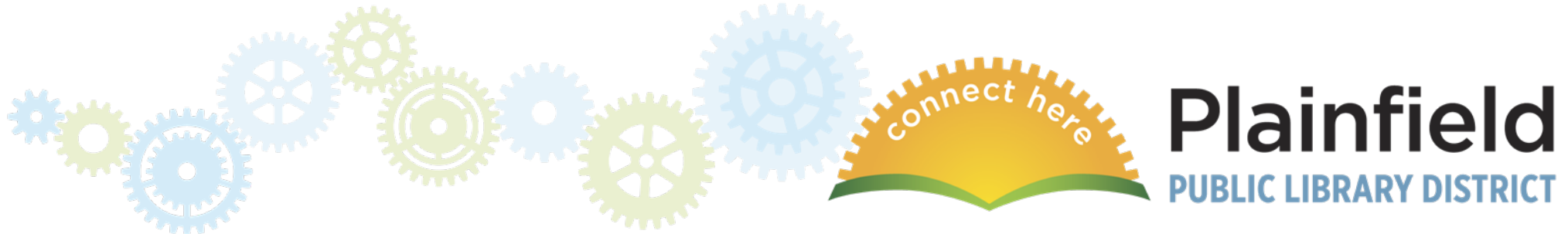
**\$190.14**

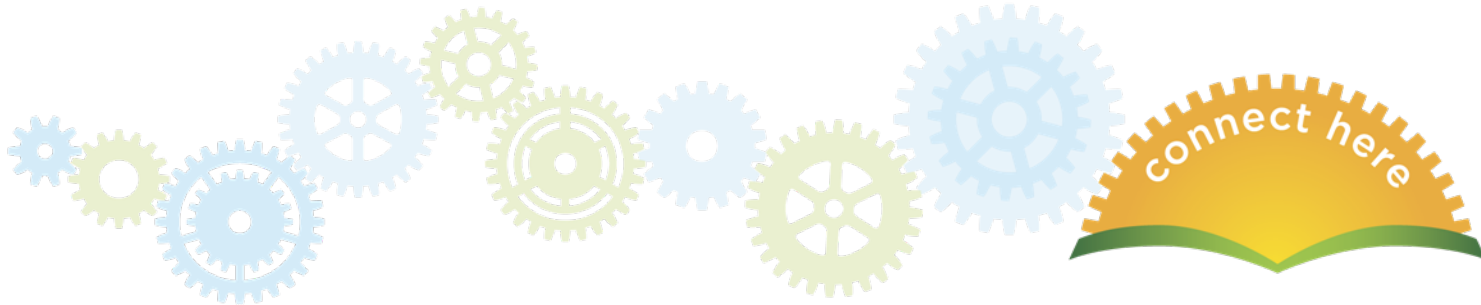
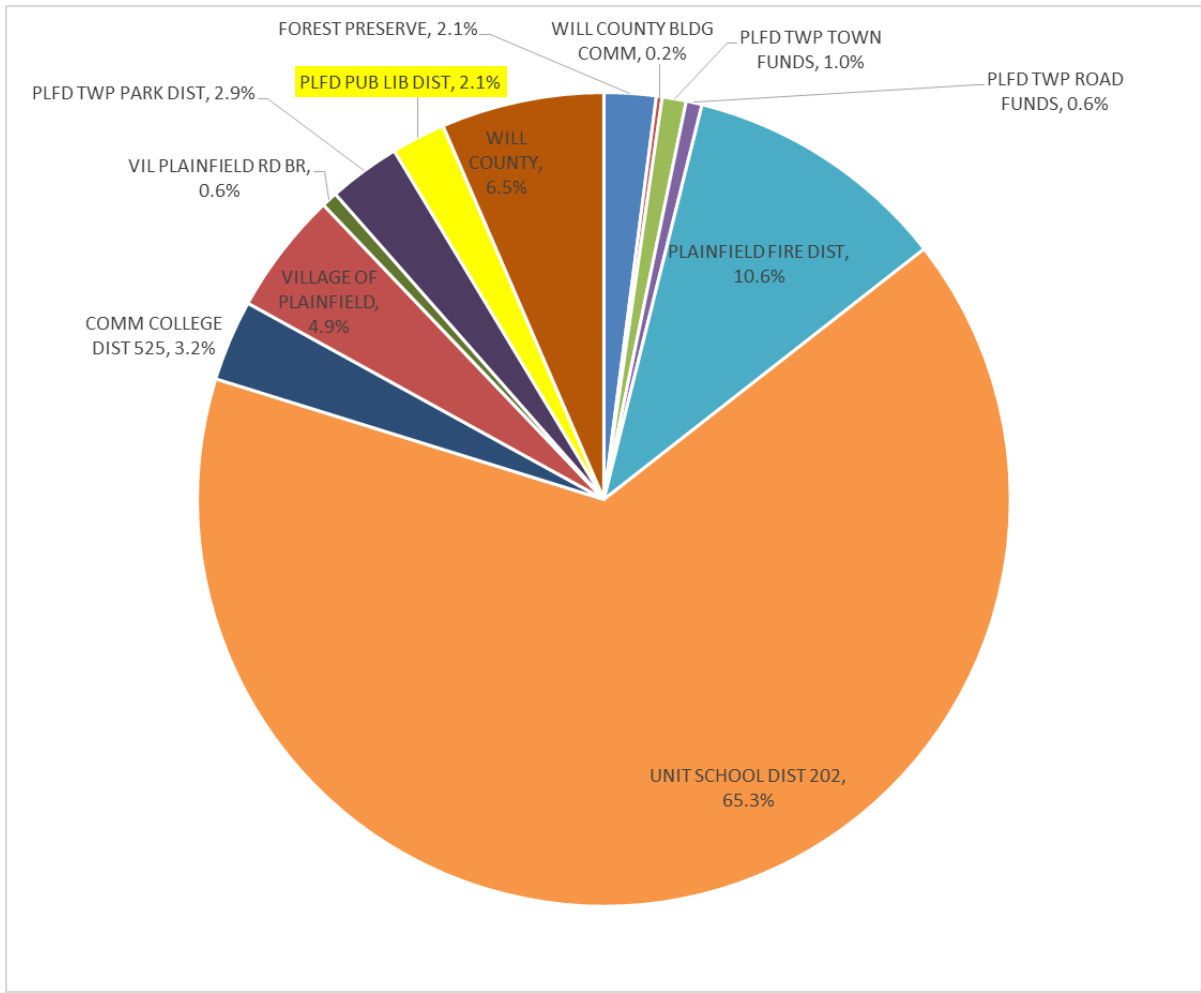
**2.1% of Total Property Taxes**



# Tax Bill on 2014 Median Home Value

<u>Taxing Body</u>	<u>Rate TY2014</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>%</u>
FOREST PRESERVE	0.1977	\$ 182.74	2.1%
WILL COUNTY BLDG COMM	0.0223	\$ 20.61	0.2%
PLFD TWP TOWN FUNDS	0.0914	\$ 84.48	1.0%
PLFD TWP ROAD FUNDS	0.0606	\$ 56.01	0.6%
PLAINFIELD FIRE DIST	1.0122	\$ 935.61	10.6%
UNIT SCHOOL DIST 202	6.2622	\$ 5,788.36	65.3%
COMM COLLEGE DIST 525	0.3085	\$ 285.16	3.2%
VILLAGE OF PLAINFIELD	0.4669	\$ 431.57	4.9%
VIL PLAINFIELD RD BR	0.0605	\$ 55.92	0.6%
PLFD TWP PARK DIST	0.2742	\$ 253.45	2.9%
<b>PLFD PUB LIB DIST</b>	<b>0.2057</b>	<b>\$ 190.14</b>	<b>2.1%</b>
WILL COUNTY	0.621	\$ 574.01	6.5%
Total	9.5832	\$ 8,858.07	100.0%





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# Comparison to Other Libraries

## Plainfield Public Library District

- Serves 75,337
- 27,160 square feet in 1 location
- Total tax rate: 0.2057
- Annual average household cost: \$190.14

## Fountaindale Public Library District

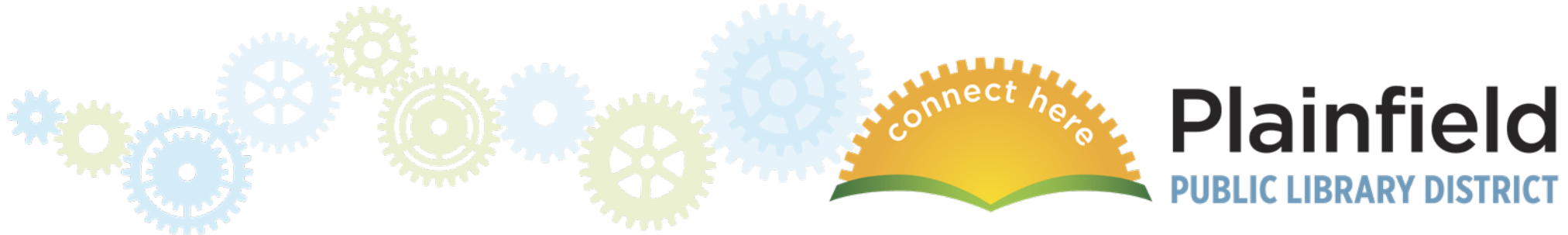
- Serves 67,683
- 114,000 square feet in 1 location, bookmobile
- Total tax rate: 0.5805
- Annual average household cost: \$536.58

## White Oak Library District

- Serves 77,893
- 89,750 square feet in 3 locations
- Total tax rate: 0.3236
- Annual average household cost: \$299.11

## Oswego Public Library District

- Serves 58,871
- 71,746 square feet in 2 locations
- Total tax rate: 0.3247
- Annual average household cost: \$300.13



Should the project cost be more, less or about the same as the 2009 project for the average household? (\$15 per month / \$180 annual)

