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Director, Howland Public Library
Beacon, NY



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Savings Statement

The project: High-efficiency interior lighting
Trade Ally: D. Silvestri Sons
Central Hudson rebate: **\$2,340**
Estimated payback: 48 months

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How the Howland Public Library Illuminates Minds & Saves Money

Money is often tight at tax-supported organizations such as libraries, which depend heavily on grants and donations. So when Howland Public Library Director Phyllis Keaton heard Central Hudson would cover a big chunk of the cost of new lights, she took advantage of the opportunity.

Energy efficient lighting was just one part of the library’s building renovation plan, but it turned out to be one that could be completed quickly and easily. At the suggestion of local contractor D. Silvestri Sons, Keaton applied for a Central Hudson rebate that would cover about 70 percent of the cost of replacement bulbs and equipment. A few weeks later, the library received a \$2,340 rebate check. “At a non-profit, every penny helps, and this lighting project will pay for itself within a few years,” said Keaton. “And it is also important for us to be energy efficient. I’m a big believer in green technology, and we want to make sure that each of the decisions for this renovation project take into account the environment.”

Keaton and library users got a welcomed surprise after the new lights were installed: reading became a whole lot easier. “People spend a lot of time here, and the new lights create a bright feeling when you walk into the library,” Keaton explained. “It made much more of a difference than we thought it would, and we received comments about it.”

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