After years of planning, our capital improvement project is poised to begin! We hope to start construction sometime in late Spring. An exact date is still to be determined.

The design development and the construction documentation phases are completed. Cost estimates have been produced at four separate intervals this year, provided by two consultants, each professionally reviewed and reconciled. At each of these points, we weigh the implications of cost, scope and time on our project outcomes. Our deliberate review relies on well-defined goals, all in support of the needs of our patrons. The rigorous process has forced some hard choices, but we remain focused on maximizing every resource and economy without sacrificing function or this ‘build once’ opportunity.

And now, we are in the bidding phase for construction contracts.

Meanwhile, work on the temporary space is nearing completion. Our transition is imminent! Stay tuned for exact dates for transition to temporary space and for construction to begin.
Scarsdale’s Temporary Location

Library Loft at Supply Field is located at **244 Heathcote Road**, just north of the ‘5 Corners’ intersection. Library space is on the 2nd floor of the beige building behind the fields. There is an elevator. Hours and services are limited - see back page for details.

**Why does Scarsdale need a temporary space during construction?**

Several reasons.
1) We can serve our patrons. Though it is a smaller space with reduced hours, we can settle into a cozy, clean place where patrons can use computers, find resources and have a children’s room.
2) It is a condition of membership in the Westchester Library System (WLS) that we have a physical location during construction. Membership in the WLS allows us to use any public library in Westchester, reserve books, receive IT support and take advantage of many other services offered by the organization.
3) Renovation of the Supply Field space is supported by a $500,000 grant secured by Assemblywoman Amy Paulin, and that space can be used by the Village for other needs after the Library moves out.
Your Scarsdale Public Library card can be used at any public library in Westchester. The six closest libraries (Eastchester, Greenburgh, Larchmont, Mamaroneck, New Rochelle and White Plains) have agreed to extend any special privileges their cardholders have to Scarsdale cardholders.

While all issues of *The Scarsdale Inquirer* through 1950 are digitized and available online, and more issues will be digitized thanks to a generous grant from the Scarsdale Historical Society, the microfilm and reader will be housed at the Greenburgh Library.
Future Hours

Library Loft at Supply Field

Where is the temporary library located?
Library Loft at Supply Field is located at 244 Heathcote Road, just north of the 5 Corners intersection. Library space is on the 2nd floor of the beige building behind the fields. There is an elevator.

When do we move into the temporary space?
Spring 2018! Exact date TBD. We are committed to keeping the main building open until construction is scheduled.

What are the hours and why are they reduced?
Hours are listed below. Library Loft is located by Supply Field and shares parking with field users. Parking is limited. In coordination with the Parks + Rec Department, the Library offers a reduced schedule that will avoid any parking conflicts.

What programs will be offered during construction?
These programs will be offered at various venues in Scarsdale (when and where TBD.)

For children:
- Book Groups
- Chess
- Drop-in Crafts
- Kiddie Kabaret
- Mother Goose
- Needlemania
- Petite Concerts
- Robert the Guitar Guy
- Time for Two's
- Traditional Tuesday Storytime
- Wag Your Tale
- Yoga

For teens:
- Exam Nights for HS Students

For adults:
- Art programs
- Coloring for Adults
- Films
- Health and Wellness series
- Nancy’s Book Group
- Not Your Kids’ Book Group
- Writers Center classes
- Occasional Special Programs/Author Events

What else can I expect?
- Library Loft will have wifi and 3 public use computers, and staff to assist, as usual.
- We plan to have book drops available at various locations throughout town to make returning materials more convenient.
- Friends of the Library plans to expand our homebound delivery service to bring materials to our residents who have difficulty getting to the library.
- Books may be reserved online, over the phone or in person from other libraries and picked up at the Library Loft.
- Books can be returned at any public library in Westchester.
- We are redesigning our website so that it will become a virtual library, with many online resources readily available for children and adults.

Stay tuned for updates with additional information in future publications, on our website and at the Library.