

## We deliver more than books!

*Public libraries and area residents benefit from cost effective resource sharing. The System provides:*

- Resources in print and online formats that help job seekers of all ages update their skills
- Inter-library loan and van delivery service
- Support for the latest technologies
- A shared online catalog, databases and subscriptions
- Collections of books, ebooks, DVDs and audio titles that expand member library collections
- Continuing Education and training for library staff
- Support for the annual Statewide Summer Reading Program
- Cooperative grant administration
- Access to free talking books
- Outreach and Literacy Services



## Member Public Libraries and Participating Service Outlets in Essex County:

AuSable Forks Free Library  
Crown Point Hammond Library  
Elizabethtown Library Association  
Belden-Noble Memorial, Essex  
Keene Public Library  
Keene Valley Library Association  
Lake Placid Public Library  
Sherman Free Library, Port Henry  
Schroon Lake Public Library  
Black Watch Memorial Library, Ticonderoga  
Wells Memorial Library, Upper Jay  
Wadhams Free Library  
Westport Library Association  
Paine Memorial Library, Willsboro  
Wilmington E.M. Cooper Memorial Public Library  
Adirondack Correctional Facility  
Moriah Shock Correctional Facility  
Horace Nye Nursing Home

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## CEF Library System Serves Essex County



**The public library network of Clinton, Essex and Franklin Counties**

*Tying it all together*

## Who We Are:

The Clinton Essex Franklin Library System was the first multi-county system in New York State, established in 1954 by joint resolution of the Board of Supervisors of Clinton and Essex Counties. Franklin County joined the federation in 1962.

The Library System was chartered by the Board of Regents of the University of the State of New York on June 25, 1954 and is one of 23 public library systems that serve the state.



## We're Reaching out to Essex County!

CEFLS obtained federal BTOP (Broadband Technology Opportunities Program) funds to help unemployed and underemployed residents of Essex County as well as those who need to improve their computer skills. In partnership with Adirondack Community Action Programs, Inc. the System has delivered training and computer help to over 16 Essex County locations, most of which are public libraries. At the end of July 2012, the program reached almost **1,600** Essex County residents and provided **651 training sessions**. Although the grant has ended, training continues in several Essex County libraries. We were also able to place videoconferencing equipment in the Schroon Lake Library with help from this grant.

In Spring 2012, CEFLS delivered the first outreach book collection to the **Newcomb Town Hall**. Since then, appreciative rural readers of all ages are enjoying books as remote patrons of the Schroon Lake Library. On "drop off day", trained CEFLS staff provide one on one help with downloading ebooks.

## Essex County Highlights

- **Libraries in Essex County submitted 1882 requests for materials in 2012. At an average cost of \$28 per request, the dollar value of this service is \$52,724.**
- **In 2012, Essex County residents visited their libraries 186,330 times and borrowed over 170,000 items.**
- **431 people in Essex County were served in 2012 by the BTOP Program and 44 people obtained employment with the help of this grant.**
- **Essex County Libraries secured over \$60,000 in Public Library Construction funds during 2011 and 2012 with help from CEFLS**
- **In 2012, public computers in Essex County libraries were used more than 47,000 times.**

## Training

**CEFLS consultant staff and grant paid presenters provided over 1,000 hours of library based training to Essex County library staff and public workshop participants in 2012. Topics ranged from basic computer and job search skills for adult new learners, job seekers and seniors to how to build community partnerships for library staff.**

## Databases

**Essex County residents can search for a job, build a resume, fix a car, learn a language, do homework and start a successful small business with help from 57 FREE databases on our web site ([www.cefls.org](http://www.cefls.org))**

**The System's focus on resource sharing, cooperative delivery of goods and services and collaborative project management means we can deliver thousands of dollars worth of enhanced library services at a fraction of the cost of providing these services separately.**

