

RESOLUTION 2026-080

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF  
NEW JERSEY SUPPORTING THE LIBRARY OF THE CHATHAMS FUNDING  
REQUEST FOR THE RENOVATION & BUILDING INFRASTRUCTURE UPGRADE

WHEREAS, since becoming a joint library in 1975, Library of the Chathams has provided services to the residents of Chatham Township and Chatham Borough; and

WHEREAS, the Library has conducted consumer research to ensure that the current services satisfy present needs as well as to identify emerging needs of the community including a Local History Room, study rooms, a Business Center, and a combination STEAM/Meeting Room; and

WHEREAS, the Library Board of Trustees has developed a Strategic Plan to respond to existing and emerging patron needs and changes in technology and resources used by our residents; and

WHEREAS, the present configuration of building layout limits the library's ability to accommodate the increasing usage of current services and facilities, and impedes the introduction of new services in response to needs identified in the consumer research; and

WHEREAS, an engineering study in 2014 identified structural, operational, and environmental deficiencies related to HVAC and aging electrical equipment the present building requiring correction; and

WHEREAS, the Library Board of Trustees has engaged architects to develop a plan, to address these deficiencies; and

WHEREAS, the Library of the Chathams would like to apply for an Economic Development Initiative Funding from the Department of Housing and Urban Development to aid in the funding of this project.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham support the Library of the Chathams in their grant application.

Adopted: March 10, 2026

TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM IN  
THE COUNTY OF MORRIS

Attest:

  
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Gregory J. LaConte, Clerk

By   
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Jennifer Rowland, Mayor