

Petition to the DUAB for relief from the Circuit Breaker credit

- a. **Name: Beech Grove Public Library, city of Beech Grove in Marion County, Indiana**
- b. **Approved by the members of the Board of Trustees of the Beech Grove Public Library, November 13, 2008**
- c. **for the Operating Fund Budget and Debt Service budgets for the year 2009**

Relief is requested as follows:

- Debt service: Funded outside the Provisions of the Circuit Breaker.**
- d. **See Financial Plan**
- e. **Operating Fund: Budget cuts limited to 5% from the previous year budget when determined rather than the projected 10% reduction.**

Budgets in question:	2007	2008
2009		
Operating Fund	\$823,017	\$866,648
\$904.504		
Debt Service Fund	\$346,000	\$348,500
\$351.000		
(Bond pays off in 2016)		

- f. **Copies of above proposed budgets have been sent to Beech Grove City Council and have been taken under consideration with Marion County situation.**
- g. **Population is steady as a land-locked area of Marion County**
- h. **Salaries of Library staff: Director--\$58,877, Reference and Technical Services Librarian--\$41,365, Children's and Teen Librarian--\$32,841, Office**

manager/bookkeeper--\$33,252, and other part-time staff members with wages from minimum wage to \$12 per hour.

- i. Budgets for 2007—see above**
- j. Not known**
- k. NA**
- l. Seeking non-application of Circuit Breaker for Debt Service and 5% reduction of Operating Fund budget**
- m. Hours of service per week has been reduced from 60 to 53 in order to align budget with cuts of approximately 5%. This application is being prepared by local librarian and board members. No funds were available or used to hire outside attorneys or financial advisors. Issues have been addressed to the best of our understanding.**