

It's tech purchasing time! This year, following our <u>Technology Plan</u>, we are scheduled to replace our printers, laptops at non-Coldwater branches, camera phones (used for photography and demonstrating technology to patrons), and public computers at the Bronson Branch. When we wrote our plan in 2019, we estimated about \$34,000 for these purchases. But the pandemic-induced inflation and shortages continue to affect IT purchases, so we actually budgeted \$42,000 in this year's operating budget to cover costs.

After seeking pricing from CDWG, GovConnection, and Insight Public Sector, Insight once again is coming out with the best deal for us. Items and prices (including shipping) are:

- Printers (12 HP desktop-class color laser, 4 HP enterprise-class color laser, 1 large-format HP enterprise-class color laser): \$10,915.66
- Laptops (8 Lenovo 14" V14 laptops): \$5,364.32
- Desktops (14 Lenovo ThinkCentre desktops): \$13,059.06
- Camera phones (8 iPhone 13): \$6,400

The total request from the operating budget is **\$35,739.04**, leaving us a good amount for a Macintosh computer we'll need to replace later in the year, and additional for unexpected expenses.