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Dear.....

The Central Public Library of Veria needs no introduction, for we believe you love it as much as we do; this "Greek miracle," that has grown from its origins as a small library in a mountainous region of northern Greece into one of the most modern libraries of the world!

It boasts 60% of Veria's population as registered members, while 800 people of every age, mainly students, visit the library on a daily basis. This is the library we are asking you to support by reading this letter.

In August 2010 we were honored to receive the generous cash award from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation which enabled us to provide more and better services to our members. We installed a photovoltaic system which helps conserve energy, created the 1<sup>st</sup> floor's Media Lab, upgraded our technological equipment, as well as commence the renovation of the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, which – with your help – shall be transformed.

How, you may ask?

Our vision is to establish a state-of-the-art multiple function space on the  $2^{nd}$  floor which shall be a special destination for the audience of art enthusiasts from Veria to congregate, for the artists who seek venues of high standards in order to present their work, but above all to create an environment of stimuli and opportunities for children. Unfortunately, at this time, the project has come to a stand-still as the additional amount of 100,000€ for the purchase of necessary equipment is required.

For this reason, on January 11th 2016 we are launching a support campaign through the platform **support.libver.gr** to raise the money required for the completion of the library's 2<sup>nd</sup> floor upgrade.

We are asking you to share in our efforts to complete the renovation of a library which establishes an archetype for Greece as well as for whole world.

Help us spread the message and the aim of this campaign, to as many people as possible: Like it on our Facebook page <u>https://goo.gl/CGHePj</u>, share our posts, invite

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friends to our site, inform family, friends, acquaintances, and whoever else you think could be interested, about our campaign .

Let's turn on the lights together!

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