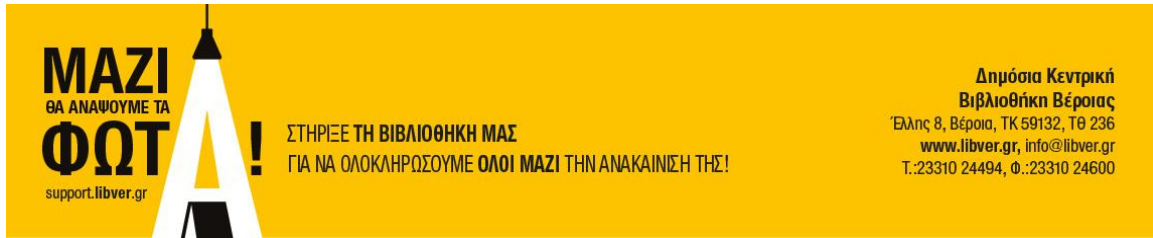


**The Central Public Library of Veria
is announcing the launch of the support campaign
for the completion of its renovation
«TO TURN ON THE LIGHTS TOGETHER»**

The Central Public Library of Veria , known as the "Greek miracle", 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 has managed to become the core of the local community, with **31.375** registered members (**60%** of the population of Veria), **800** daily visitors of every age and especially students (in 2014, 5.200 students visited the library). From November 1999 until November 2015 the borrowed items (books, magazines, and board games) numbered **2.943.633!**

In 2010 was the recipient of the “**Access to Learning Award**” by the **Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation** receiving worldwide recognition out of 350 nominations. With the prize money which accompanied the award we installed photovoltaic systems to save energy, we created the Media Lab on the 1st floor which is flooded with people and we upgraded our technological equipment. The whole project will be completed with the renovation of the 2nd floor.

A **state-of-the-art multiple function space** will be created ,which will provide the public and the artists-authors the ideal environment of high standards and aesthetics in order to attend and present a variety of cultural activities: performances, lectures, film screenings, and even cooking courses! However, the additional amount of 100,000€ for the purchase of necessary equipment is required.



For this reason, the Central Public Library devoted once again to innovative and pioneering proposals, follows the financing methods which large cultural and educational organizations use worldwide and announces the launch of the support campaign to raise the necessary funds from the public and its supporters in the country and around the world.

The information about the purposes of the campaign and the ways of support can be found on the platform **support.libver.gr** and starts on **January 11**. We hope that your valuable contribution will help us spread the message

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