



## GOODNOW LIBRARY

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November 2, 2015

Community Preservation Committee  
278 Old Sudbury Road  
Sudbury, MA 01776

Dear Committee Members:

In 1991 the Sudbury Foundation and the Goodnow Library initiated a collaborative effort to create a database that would identify, organize and summarize the contents of important Sudbury historical records. This project was a great success. It was brought to fruition by the cooperative efforts of the Goodnow Library, the Sudbury Town Clerk's office, the Sudbury and Wayland Historical Society's, the Wayside Inn, the Sudbury Grange and the Historical Commission. The Sudbury Foundation provided financial support for transcription, digitization and software platforms. At this stage, the current digital platform, InMagic, has been unsupported for 10 years, resulting in broken links, unresponsive pages, and an inability to upload new records via modern web browsers.

We are requesting approximately \$40,000 to migrate to a newly developed InMagic product called Presto, which would allow us to better manage and easily add to the content of the Sudbury Archives, as well as integrate with the library's website using its current content management system, Wordpress. This would also allow other participating town agencies to update and add content as well, resulting in an improved database and greater access to the town's vast historical documents. This software has been endorsed by Mark Thompson, the Information Systems Director, and has the additional support of the Sudbury Town Clerk's office, and the Sudbury Foundation, who have approved us spending the remainder of the last grant towards the cost of the upgrade.

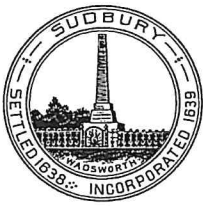
Please find enclosed twelve copies each of our proposal, and note that we will be submitting additional documentation shortly. Do not hesitate to contact me with any questions you may have. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Esmé E. Green

Library Director



# Town of Sudbury

Community Preservation Committee

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## PROJECT SUBMISSION FORM

Submitter: Esmé Green

Submission Date: 11/2/2015

Group or Committee Affiliation (if any):

Submitter's address and phone number:

Purpose (please select all that apply):

Goodnow Library, 978-440-5515

- Open Space
- Community Housing
- Historic
- Recreation

Submitter's email address: GreenE@sudbury.ma.us

Project Name: Sudbury Archives Migration

Project Description: SEE ATTACHED

### Costs:

Fiscal Year	Total Project Cost	CPC Funds Requested	Other Funding Sources (amount and source)
2017	50,000	40,000	approx 10,000 from trusts and leftover SF grant
2018			
2019			
2020			
2021			
<b>Total</b>			

How does this project meet the General Criteria and Category Specific Criteria for CPC projects (see attached)?

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Does this project fall within the jurisdiction or interest of other Town Boards, Committees or Departments? If so, please list the boards, committees or departments, whether applications and/or presentations have been made, and what input or recommendations have been given.

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For Community Preservation Committee Use:

Form received on: \_\_\_\_\_

Project presented to CPC on: \_\_\_\_\_

Reviewed by: \_\_\_\_\_

Determination: \_\_\_\_\_



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### **Project description:**

We are requesting funds (approximately \$40K) to cover the cost of migrating the Sudbury Archives to a new software platform called Presto. The current software platform has been unsupported for nearly 10 years, and as such does not work in many cases with modern browsers, such as Internet Explorer 11, Safari, Chrome or Firefox, leaving researchers with broken links, blank pages and other functionality loss.

### **How does this project meet the General Criteria and Category Specific Criteria for CPC projects (see attached)?**

This project will protect, preserve and enhance over 10,000 documents of historic importance of the town's history. By upgrading the platform of the Sudbury Archives, more people will have access to valuable historic documents that would be otherwise unavailable, difficult to access, or could be damaged by handling. This project would be a great benefit to the public, genealogists and researchers of Sudbury history. The project would provide a way to preserve these artifacts perpetually.

This project has the support of the original contributors: the Sudbury Foundation, the Clerk's Office and Info Systems.