

CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE



COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE FY21 FUNDING RECOMMENDATION FOR COLLECTION CARE, SOMERVILLE MUSEUM

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The Somerville Museum will renovate the collection storage for upgraded security, preservation and access of the museum collections.

ELIGIBILITY

Historic resources: The Somerville Museum is a local historic district and is currently not ADA accessible.

RECOMMENDED FUNDING

On November 18, 2020 by a vote of 9-0 the Community Preservation Committee recommended appropriating \$87,114 from the historic resources reserve budget, to the control of the Somerville Museum for the overall purposes summarized in this document.

Project Budget

Recommended funding amount:

Expenses	Amount
Study	\$0
Soft costs	\$0
Construction	\$87,114
Total	\$87,114
Sources	
CPA historic resources funds- requested	\$100,608
Capital Campaign Contribution	\$167,886
Total	\$268,494

ALIGNMENT WITH FY21 COMMUNITY PRESERVATION PLAN

The Somerville Museum collections are at risk of being lost as a result of the poor climate conditions in the basement, where they are stored.

FUNDING CONDITIONS

- 1. Execution, and recording, of an historic preservation restriction, which includes a provision for public access, that was required by the FY15 CPA grant.
- Upon commencement of the Project and as appropriate, the Somerville Museum agrees to post a sign stating that the Project was funded through the City of Somerville's Community Preservation Act program.
- 3. CPA funds will only go towards the eligible costs.

MEASURES OF SUCCESS

The goal of this project is to provide greater use of the collections by the public.

Success will be measured through timely completion of the project and lack of mold found on collection items after packing has occurred.

The full proposal is available at: https://www.somervillema.gov/cpa