



## FAQS: SHERBORN LIBRARY CONSTRUCTION

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### WHAT CONSTRUCTION WORK IS HAPPENING ON SITE AS THE LIBRARY RENOVATION & EXPANSION PROJECT CONTINUES?

Recent activity at our Sherborn Library construction site shows final framing and roof work now underway. Windows in the original building have been replaced and new skylights are going in. Site work continues around the building and the final windows and roofing should be completed by July.

### IS CONSTRUCTION WORK PROGRESSING AS EXPECTED?

“Progress has been much slower than we anticipated and we’ve been disappointed with the extended duration of the construction phase,” Jim Kolb, Chair of the Library Building Committee (LBC), commented on the slow pace and longer than expected construction timeline. He added, “We are significantly past the original 12-month schedule; but the LBC, Library Trustees, Select Board and Town Hall have been working together to address these issues, protect the Town’s interests and successfully complete this project.”

### HOW WILL THE RENOVATED AND EXPANDED LIBRARY BENEFIT OUR COMMUNITY?

Once completed, our Sherborn Library will offer patrons a beautifully renovated and expanded Library which will be fully accessible and code compliant. With 8,000 additional square feet of usable space, the Library will boast a new children’s room, a teen media room, a community/event room with seating for 120, a conference room and tutoring spaces. And, the Library is being built to comply with the U.S. Green Building Council’s LEED requirements. Exterior improvements at the renovated Library will include an outdoor reading terrace and accessible pathways to guide visitors across the Town Campus.

### HOW LONG WILL THE CONSTRUCTION TAKE?

The latest project schedule provided to the Library Building Committee estimates an October completion date.

### HOW IS THE LIBRARY EXPANSION & RENOVATION PROJECT BEING FUNDED?

Funding for our Town’s Library expansion & renovation project comes from a combination of private, state and local sources. The Town recently received the fourth (of five) payments from the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners (MBLC) construction grant in the amount of \$727,000. That payment along with over \$3.6 million in private funds raised for the project has provided cash flow for the project costs up to this point.

### WHERE IS THE LIBRARY LOCATED DURING CONSTRUCTION?

During construction, the Sherborn Library remains in its temporary home across Sanger Street at the Sherborn Community Center. There, the Library staff continues to work hard, keeping the Library running without interruption and offering a wide range of programming for patrons of all ages.

### WHERE CAN I LEARN MORE ABOUT THE SHERBORN LIBRARY EXPANSION & RENOVATION PROJECT?

For more information about the renovation project, to view renderings and to review minutes from the Library Building Committee and Trustee meetings, please visit the Library’s redesigned website at [sherbornlibrary.org](http://sherbornlibrary.org) or the Town of Sherborn website at [www.sherbornma.org](http://www.sherbornma.org).



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(temporary location during construction)  
Sherborn Community Center  
3 Sanger Street  
Sherborn, MA 01770