

Project Background

The Hanson Public Library has long been a valued community resource, but the building faces several challenges as library services evolve.

Over the past several years, the Town, Library Trustees, and project team studied the building's limitations, including:

- Limited space for programs and community activities
- Accessibility challenges within the building
- Aging building systems and infrastructure
- Limited flexible space for modern library services

Through this planning process, the Town worked with the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners to evaluate potential solutions.



Project Team & Staying Informed

The Hanson Public Library Building Project is being guided by a team representing the Town, the Library, and experienced project professionals.

Project Team

- Hanson Library Trustees
- Library Director and Staff
- Town of Hanson leadership
- Library Building Committee
- Owner's Project Manager
- Architect and design consultants

Together, this team is working to ensure the project reflects the needs of the community while responsibly managing public investment.

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Planning for the Future

The **Hanson Public Library** project has received approval from the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners (MBLC) and is advancing into the next stage of planning and development.



Preferred Design Approved

Following this planning and evaluation process, the Town submitted a Preferred Design Option to the MBLC.

The MBLC has now approved the proposed design approach, allowing the project to move forward into the next phase of planning and development.

This milestone confirms that the project reflects the needs of Hanson residents today and supports the library's ability to serve the community for many years to come.

What the Project Includes

The proposed project focuses on improving the library so it can better serve the community both today and in the future.

The project is expected to include improvements such as:

- Larger, expanded areas for children and teens
- Expanded and flexible community meeting space
- Improved accessibility throughout the building
- Modernized building systems
- Updated technology and study areas
- More functional spaces for library collections and services

These improvements are designed to support a library that serves residents of all ages.



What Happens Next

With MBLC approval of the Preferred Design, the Library will continue moving forward through the next stages.

Upcoming Steps

1. Advance design development
2. Continue coordination with the MBLC grant program
3. Refine project cost estimates
4. Share updates and information with the community
5. Prepare for local funding decisions

As the project progresses, the Library will continue to provide information and opportunities for residents to learn more.