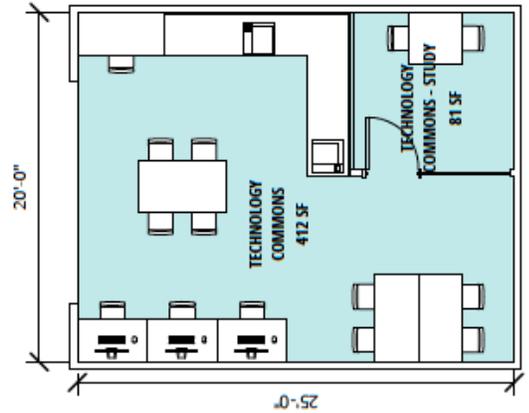


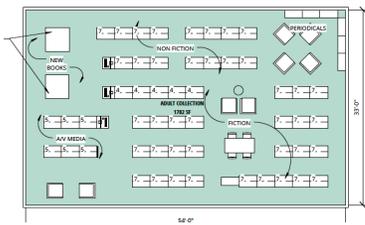
The Dighton Library team is pleased to bring you more news about our project! The Town of Dighton recently hired LLB Architects of Pawtucket Rhode Island to be the designers of our new library. LLB is a highly skilled firm, with a vast resume of past library design experience.



Drayton Fair, LLB Principal, is our lead architect who has already presented a variety of design approaches and strategies for the team to consider. Right now we are discussing varying types of building additions, renovations,



and most importantly, the preservation of the existing building and its character. The Library Building Committee will continue to meet on a regular basis with LLB and P³ to work through design options, logistics, and schedules in order to build the most efficient and effective design for the Town of Dighton.



With the procurement of the Owner's Project Manager and the Designer, the project is now in the Conceptual Design phase. The Design must be finished by the Fall of 2016 in order to keep with the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners Grant Schedule. This Design phase begins the process of creating a newer library that will benefit the Dighton community for at least 20 years into the future. If the Massachusetts Board of Library

Commissioners accepts the Dighton project into their Construction Grant program, they will reimburse the Town approximately 50% of the project cost!

The team will continue to publish regular project updates to keep you informed of the design and grant processes.

Q&A

What kind of project is Dighton preparing for?

The Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners sets specific guidelines for Renovation or Expansion library projects including:

1. The design must be based on a written library building program using a 20-year planning projection. The library prepared this document, with input from residents, staff and trustees and it is available for review at the library.
2. The renovation must provide adequate space for the facility, for staff and patron parking. The Planning Phase must include an adequate site analysis which includes surveys, test borings, etc.
3. The project must comply with all applicable laws regarding handicap access.
4. The schematic drawings and plans for the project must be prepared by a design professional registered in Massachusetts.
5. Municipal and state construction projects are subject to public procurement laws under M.G.L. 7C, sections 44-47 Public Building Projects Design Services. All public libraries are, by definition, public buildings.