



Sutton Cultural Council

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SUTTON CULTURAL COUNCIL SEEKS COMMUNITY INPUT

Sutton, MA - The **Sutton Cultural Council** is seeking feedback from community members as it prepares to set funding priorities for the next three years. The Council wants the people who live and work in our community to advise it about how best to allocate public dollars for programs and activities in the arts, humanities, and interpretive sciences.

The all-volunteer, municipally appointed council receives an annual allocation of approximately **\$6,000** to fund projects by individuals, organizations and schools that serve a broad range of interests and needs. The task is challenging as many more proposals are received than can be funded. "Last year, for example, the Council received more than \$17,000 in requests but could afford to support only eleven grants," said Sutton Cultural Council Treasurer Paul Schaefer.

Because the Council receives public dollars, it is important that local public opinion is gathered, and the Council learns more about what is happening in our community and what the community needs. This information will be used to develop useful criteria and funding priorities to guide the grantmaking decisions.

"The survey is short and to the point with only five questions! You can take the survey on the Sutton Cultural Council board page on the Town of Sutton website (www.suttonma.org/cultural-council). Links to the survey are on the Sutton Cultural Council Facebook page or you can find paper surveys at the Sutton Public Library, Tax Collector window or at the Sutton Senior Center," added Pam Nichols, Sutton Cultural Council Chairperson.

If you have any questions, please reach out to Pam at 508-579-01609 or pamelaanichols@gmail.com.

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