

Investment Policy

Abbott Library, Sunapee, NH

The Library's overall portfolio shall be managed in accordance with the Prudent Man or Prudent Person rule: "A prudent investment is one which a prudent man would make for his own investment having primarily in view the preservation of the principal and the amount and regularity of the income to be derived there from." This policy shall govern the investment activities of the Abbott Library Board of Trustees (the "Board").

The Board shall invest funds bequeathed to the Library for the purpose of enriching programming, expanding the permanent collection, enhancing the facility, or any other activities in the best interests of the Library, as determined by the Board.

The Board shall invest funds in a manner that will maximize the security of the principal while satisfying annual revenue needs using methods that will provide the highest total annual return consistent with the Prudent Person Rule. All investments shall conform to RSA 31:25, 31:25-a and 31:25-b.

This Investment Policy applies to funds held by the Board. It does not apply to funds held by the Sunapee Trustees of the Trust Funds for the benefit of the Abbott Library, or funds held by the Friends of the Abbott Library or the Abbott Library Foundation.

Authorized and suitable Investments: The following investments are deemed to be suitable for inclusion in the Library's investment program:

- Demand deposit accounts (such as checking accounts) established with local financial institutions and properly insured through the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC).
- Certificates of Deposit (CDs) issued by financial institutions and properly insured through the FDIC. By permitting the CDs to be national, rather than limited to State of New Hampshire financial institutions, the Library can obtain competitive rates while still insuring safety through the federal guarantee.

Donations of publicly traded securities: It is the general policy of the Library to sell any gift of publicly traded securities as soon as possible with proceeds to be deposited in an authorized and suitable investment as defined above.

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