

Let's not lose another building to decay.



Voting yes on Article 21 will:

- Enable constructive reuse of beloved town building
- Help revitalize downtown Orange
- Create much-needed revenue for the town

Transferring ownership of Butterfield School to the Orange Economic Development & Industrial Corp., with its broad powers and history of success, will generate tax dollars for Orange, address critical community needs, and bring vitality to our downtown.

Voting yes on Article 21 takes this historic, 147-year-old building out of mothballs...and puts it back to work for the citizens of Orange.

Possible Reuses

Butterfield School: Potential Reuse



- Feasibility study identified three likely reuse possibilities:
 - Housing
 - Senior Center
 - Town offices combined with a new senior center
- Final reuse decisions and scope of project are still to be determined

Why OEDIC?

Background

- Under Mass. General Law, EDICs “may implement economic development projects designed to decrease the unemployment rate and eliminate decadent and blighted open areas in a city or town”
- Orange is fortunate to have one of just 11 EDICs in the Commonwealth

OEDIC Accomplishments

- Developed Randall Pond Industrial Park
 - Home to Dean’s Beans, Impact Nano, Echo Industries, George Hunt solar field, Cannapy, Inc., Clearview Composting, and other businesses
- Paying \$113K/yr in taxes and employing about 120 people
- All at no cost to the Town of Orange
- Website <https://developingorange.com/>