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Subject: URGENT: Preserving our Cultural History - need to allocate \$ in the County Budget for a a Culture Assessment/Feasibility Study

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Dear Members of County Council and our Mayor Mayhew, Municipality of Southwest Middlesex, and staff

The Glencoe & District Historical Society is **Counting on** County of Middlesex t**O**

establish a central repository that would support a decentralized system of archival collections.

The next step in this work is to do a Culture Assessment/Feasibility Study conducted by heritage professionals to assess what Middlesex County documents are out there and where they are including municipalities, other archives, historical societies etc.

It is estimated that the cost of a team of professionals to conduct that study would be \$25 000 per month and may take up to 3 months. This money needs to be put into the 2025 Middlesex County budget.

Sincerely,

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