

Sudbury Cable Advisor Annual Report

In 2016, the Cable Advisor helped residents resolve cable-related issues. He also monitored cable-company franchise compliance, answered questions from residents and the Town, and maintained an informational webpage (accessible from the Town website). Cable-related questions or problems should be sent to cableadvisor@sudbury.ma.us. Residents are encouraged to use this process to get help with cable-provider-related problems they cannot resolve through normal channels.

SudburyTV (a non-profit organization led by Sudbury residents) continued to provide Public, Governmental, and Educational Access programming on COMCAST Channels 8 & 9, Verizon Channels 31 & 32, and via their website <http://sudburytv.org> (video-on-demand, and 24/7 live stream).

SudburyTV programming included continued live coverage of Selectmen's meetings, Town Meeting, Finance Committee, SPS School Committee, and L/S School Committee meetings. They began coverage of Zoning Board of Appeals, Planning Board, and Conservation Commission meetings. Special coverage was provided for the Sudbury Town Forum and Protect Sudbury as well as other public forums on topics including the Bruce Freeman Rail Trail, Fairbanks Community Center, the Melone Property, and the Eversource Power Line Proposal. SudburyTV also continued to cablecast community programs from the Sudbury Historical Society, Friends of Assabet River National Wildlife Refuge, Sudbury Senior Center, and Sudbury League of Women Voters, as well as L/S Music Programs, L/S Sports, the Sudbury Summer Concert Series, Holiday Parades, and the 15th Annual HOPEsudbury Telethon.

At the SudburyTV studio at L/S there is a full complement of broadcast and editing equipment. After training, residents can use this equipment to create and edit quality programming at no charge, or volunteer to help cablecast existing programs. Residents can request personalized training, or attend our courses given as part of L/S Adult Education. Equipment may be used in the studio or on location. The Town Hall main meeting room, and the Silva Room in the Flynn Building, are both configured so that a single volunteer can record meetings with multiple cameras.

The essence of Access is programming produced for residents, by residents. Residents are encouraged to contact SudburyTV's Executive Director, Lynn Puorro, to discuss programming and/or training. Contact Lynn at 978 443 9507, or at info2@sudburytv.org. More information about SudburyTV (and a link to the Cable Advisor's webpage) can be found at <http://sudburytv.org>.

Respectfully Submitted



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