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\$1 Million Gift for Fitchburg Library

The Fitchburg Library Capital Campaign Committee, together with the Madison Community Foundation, announced a gift of a \$1 million challenge match for the public portion of the Fitchburg Library capital campaign. The challenge gift means that for every \$2 donated during this phase of the campaign, \$1 dollar will be added from this gift.

"We are thrilled to have this challenge match to provide such terrific momentum this early in the campaign," said Marykay Zimbrick, co-chair of the campaign committee.

An anonymous donor through the Madison Community Foundation provided the challenge.

"This is a great example of how Madison Community Foundation facilitates philanthropy throughout Dane County," said Kathleen Voit, President of the Foundation. "We love libraries and are very pleased to have the opportunity to help this campaign."

This is the second \$1 million gift made to the Fitchburg Library Capital Campaign. Bill and Mary Linton, of Promega Corporation, pledged the initial large gift.

"We are so fortunate and grateful to have two gifts of this magnitude for Fitchburg's first library", added Phil Sveum, campaign co-chair. The total capital campaign is \$4 million.

The match period begins February 1, 2010 and ends December 31, 2011. The 38,000 square foot library will be built using green building practices and be located close to Fitchburg City Hall at 5520 Lacy Road. A ground breaking event is scheduled for April 12th, and the library doors are projected to be open in July of 2011.