

# Give

a person  
a fish, and  
you feed her  
for a day.

# Teach

a person  
to fish, and  
you feed her  
for a lifetime.

## FAQ (continued)

### **How can I donate?**

Contact Samantha Greenfield by calling (978) 440-5562. You can also reach her at [goodnowlibraryfoundation@gmail.com](mailto:goodnowlibraryfoundation@gmail.com).

Donations may also be made online at: <http://bit.ly/goodnowdonate>.

### **How can I get more information?**

You can fill out an online volunteer application at [goodnowlibrary.org/now-lab/now-lab-volunteer-form/](http://goodnowlibrary.org/now-lab/now-lab-volunteer-form/).

3D print requests may be made at [goodnowlibrary.org/now-lab/3d-printing-request/](http://goodnowlibrary.org/now-lab/3d-printing-request/).

You may contact the NOW Lab at [nowlab@sudbury.ma.us](mailto:nowlab@sudbury.ma.us).



# Frequently Asked Questions

## **What is a makerspace?**

A makerspace is a community space where people of all ages can build things, learn and teach new skills, and gain access to traditional and cutting edge tools and technology.

## **Why is the makerspace called the Sara Sherman NOW Lab?**

The Sherman family generously donated funds in memory of their daughter, Sara Sherman.

## **Why did Goodnow Library create the NOW Lab?**

Public libraries are community hubs, not just holding areas for books. We offer free information, technology, programs for all ages, and inspiration for you and your family.

## **Is the NOW Lab only available to children and teens?**

No, it is important to our mission that the NOW Lab be available to people of all ages.

## **What hours is the NOW Lab open?**

It is our goal for the NOW Lab to be open whenever the library is open. All tools may not be available at all times, especially during scheduled programs. We hope to attract enough strongly-committed community volunteers who will be certified to operate equipment and assist others when library staff is not available

Please contact us to volunteer your time and share your skills!

## **What kind of tools are available?**

Large equipment includes a 3D printer, a laser cutter, a large-format color printer, a MIDI keyboard with music creation software, and a computer-controlled vinyl cutter. We also have LEGO Mindstorms kits, and Arduino and Raspberry Pi micro-controller kits.

## **So all the tools are high tech?**

No. We also have a sewing machine and serger, knitting needles, art supplies, and hand tools for more traditional crafts. It is our goal to support all kinds of making and to provide a space where people of different generations can meet and share ideas.

## **What does it cost to use the NOW Lab?**

As with most library services, it will be free. Patrons may be charged a nominal fee for materials, to help defray expenses, just as they are charged for photocopying and computer printing.

## **Who paid for all this?**

The NOW Lab and the second floor renovations were privately funded through donations to the Goodnow Foundation. The Goodnow Foundation was established in 2008 as a tax-exempt, non-profit, 501c(3) charitable organization to raise funds for the library.