

## Final Report for SCRLC: RBDG Grant 2021-2022

Seymour Public Library District – *Visualizing History: Expanding Auburn HistoryForge*

In August, we worked with the Cayuga County Historian to do an initial selection of images to be digitized that would reflect Auburn’s history and the diversity of its neighborhoods. We purchased a laptop and a scanner for the project, and we posted the availability of our fall internship via local colleges.

In September, we interviewed and hired Logan Gallucci, a 2022 MLIS candidate at Syracuse University. We conducted training onsite at the library and then Logan moved to working at the Cayuga County Historian’s office for scanning, preparation of metadata for Auburn HistoryForge and New York Heritage, and uploading to HistoryForge.

From September to April, Logan scanned 600 images, collected metadata, and uploaded the images to Auburn HistoryForge. The Cayuga County Historian is currently reviewing the metadata before upload to New York Heritage and then we will be ready to share the images via that platform as well. We will be promoting the collection on both sites through our website and other outreach.

We thank SCRLC for their support of this project and we look forward to future expansion of the visual aspects of Auburn HistoryForge and of our collections on New York Heritage.

### Budget

	Proposed	Expended
Personnel (intern)*	\$4,800	\$4,790
Equipment (computer/scanner)	\$1,216	\$1,226
TOTAL	\$6,016	\$6,016

\* Amount expended on the internship includes 294.25 hours at \$16/hour plus \$82 applied to payroll taxes.