

# **CONNECTING TO COLLECTIONS / MINNESOTA! Project Goals, Tools, Process and Implementation**

#### **Project Goals**

- o Identify/confirm needs and evaluate needs within a practical framework
- o Identify available resources to meet needs
- Determine priorities
- Plot strategy for implementation

## **Tools To Support Project**

- o Guidelines and methods emphasizing preventive action
- o Educational tools and methods to help develop and implement emergency plans
- Models for preservation of digital and audio/visual collections; specifications and checklists to manage migration and conversion to formats and media appropriate for access and long-term storage

#### **Process**

- Confirm and broaden assessment of preservation needs
- o Evaluate formally the stakeholders' capacities to meet needs
- o Determine process, resources, and skills necessary to meet needs
- o Form partnerships to support an implementation grant project

## **Implementation Grant**

- o Establish a foundation of basic good preservation practices across the state
- o Strengthen existing education and field service programs at MACC and MHS
- o Develop new areas of preservation expertise
- o Produce and disseminate products that support practical preservation programs