

2023 Project Status Report

Town of Tisbury

Community Preservation Committee

The Community Preservation Act (CPA) enables Massachusetts Communities to levy a surcharge of property tax bills to raise funds to expand their community's open space, historic, recreational, and affordable housing assets. At Annual Town Meeting in 2005, the Town voted to adopt the provisions of the Community Preservation Act, which established a nine-member Community Preservation Committee (CPC) which receives applications for funding and makes recommendations to the Town. The CPC helps develop and administer projects funded with CPA monies.

The CPA funds are derived from a 3% surcharge on real estate taxes, supplemented annually by state funds from the Massachusetts Community Preservation Trust Fund. Each year, depending on revenues, the State pays a percentage of the surcharge to the Town. The supplemental funding percentages for each year are as follows:

FY 2006 - 100%	FY 2011 - 37.1%	FY 2016 - 27.6%	FY 2021 - 65.0%
FY 2007 - 100%	FY 2012 - 36.9%	FY 2017 - 23.2%	FY 2022 - 43.0%
FY 2008 - 90.4%	FY 2013 - 73.5%	FY 2018 - 27.1%	
FY 2009 - 50.2%	FY 2014 - 43.0%	FY 2019 - 34.7%	
FY 2010 - 39.9%	FY 2015 - 39.7%	FY 2020 - 42.0%	

This translates into \$4,085,772 of State funding since the adoption of the Community Preservation Act by the Town of Tisbury.

The Community Preservation Committee encourages participation by interested community members. All recommended projects are specifically voted on at Town Meeting by the citizens of Tisbury. Information about the CPC and the projects currently under consideration is available on the Town website:

<https://www.tisburyma.gov/community-preservation-committee>

Tisbury has appropriated \$12,099,251 over the past sixteen years, FY 2006 - FY 2022. In fiscal year 2022 the following CPC projects completed include:

- Harbor Homes of Martha's Vineyard - Affordable Housing - Mortgage Paydown
- Dukes County Regional Housing Authority Rental Assistance
- Island Autism Center - Land Purchase - Affordable Housing Predevelopment
- Kuehn's Way Affordable Housing - 20 Apartments
- Owen Park Bandstand Design
- American Legion Building Restoration

- LaFrance Historic Firetruck Restoration
- Eastville Beach Rehabilitation
- Firehouse Parking/Veteran's Park Walkway Development
- Veteran's Park Basketball Court
- Kayak Racks - Owen Park, Lake Tashmoo, Lagoon Pond

The CPC welcomes comments, suggestions and invites applications for funding in any of the eligible categories, Historic Resources, Community Housing, and Open Space/Recreation. Eligibility guidelines, application instructions and timelines are posted on the website shown above.

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