

**COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE
TOWN OF NEEDHAM, MASSACHUSETTS**

FY'19 Annual Report

Community Preservation Committee

Members:

Peter Pingitore, Chair
Artie Crocker, Vice Chair
Paul Alpert
Robert Boder
Robert Dermody
Joseph Barnes
Chris Gerstel
Rick Zimbone
TBD

Appointed by:

Housing Authority
Conservation Commission
Planning Board
Historical Commission
Board of Selectmen
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Park and Recreation Commission
Town Moderator
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Staff:

Carys Lustig, Staff Liaison
Kristen Wright, Recording Secretary

Purpose and Mission:

Massachusetts General Law (M.G.L.) Chapter 267 of the Acts of 2000, Section 2, defines community preservation as “the acquisition, creation and preservation of open space, the acquisition, creation and preservation of historic structures and landscapes and the creation and preservation of community housing.” Needham voted to accept the legislation in November 2004. The Community Preservation Committee is appointed to make recommendations for use of the Community Preservation Fund.

FY'19 Accomplishments and Activities

- The Needham Community Preservation Fund received its state distribution of \$438,305 from the Commonwealth in November 2018, a 18.93% match. In total, \$8,438,403 has been received from the state as of December 2017.
- The Town collected \$2,590,000 in FY'19 through the local surcharge.
- The Committee held a public hearing in March 2019 to gather public input on the proposals under review for funding.
- At May, 2019 Annual Town Meeting, the Committee recommended and Town Meeting approved the funding of the following proposals:

\$150,000	Needham Housing Authority	Modernization & Redevelopment of Affordable Housing
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\$15,000	Bay Colony Rail Trail Assoc.	Fisher Street Trailhead Design
\$117,000	DPW	Town Common Reno. Design
\$200,000	Park & Recreation	Rosemary Lake Trail Project
\$480,000	Park & Recreation	Cricket Field Renovations
\$350,000	Park & Recreation	Playground Improvements

Statistics

- The Community Preservation Fund has provided financial support to seventy-two (72) projects, with a total of \$40,506,352.

Community Housing total	\$ 1,594,500
Open Space total	\$ 2,594,619
Historic Preservation total	\$ 15,301,733
General and Recreation total	\$ 21,165,500