

MASSACHUSETTS ELECTIONS STATISTICS 2004



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Easton.....	123	103	136	80	4	128	574	-	5	301	306	5,540	4,788	22	12,604	22,954
Fairhaven.....	183	611	317	178	1	364	1,654	-	29	835	864	3,171	5,377	17	7,823	16,388
FALL RIVER.....	2,889	934	1,202	3,501	2	3,398	11,926	-	16	850	866	21,484	10,911	206	31,003	63,604
Freetown.....	224	322	158	210	2	436	1,352	-	16	206	222	2,381	2,394	38	4,131	8,944
Mansfield.....	138	144	140	106	1	161	690	-	4	1,302	1,306	5,565	5,065	-	11,144	21,774
NEW BEDFORD	1,583	3,853	2,197	999	25	3,865	12,522	-	104	1,130	1,234	13,133	21,854	236	31,665	66,888
North Attleborough.....	223	230	233	158	2	376	1,222	-	63	1,309	1,372	7,305	6,812	128	12,949	27,194
Norton.....	102	101	83	82	-	106	474	-	2	438	440	4,190	3,806	6	8,260	16,262
Raynham.....	127	99	97	57	-	142	522	-	2	320	322	3,676	2,588	-	6,464	12,728
Rehoboth.....	50	32	29	41	-	50	202	-	6	264	270	3,249	2,392	31	5,686	11,358
Seekonk.....	84	61	66	78	-	87	376	-	9	267	276	4,253	3,238	47	6,742	14,280
Somerset.....	570	216	175	506	-	525	1,992	-	7	259	266	6,855	3,921	21	9,537	20,334
Swansea.....	290	122	106	291	-	209	1,018	-	16	216	232	5,572	3,340	38	7,868	16,818
TAUNTON.....	699	343	917	336	5	940	3,240	-	29	423	452	12,273	7,741	115	22,447	42,576
Westport.....	216	140	125	305	-	234	1,020	-	4	208	212	4,835	3,886	-	7,557	16,278
TOTALS	8,285	8,517	7,059	7,583	51	12,227	43,722	-	395	10,289	10,684	126,745	112,396	1,144	227,969	468,254

Dukes County	Democratic Primary					Republican Primary					State Election						
	John Samuel Alley of West Tisbury	Leonard Jason, Jr. of Chilmark	Roger William Wey of Oak Bluffs	All Others	Blanks	George J. Balco of Tisbury	All Others	Blanks	Total Votes Cast	John Samuel Alley of West Tisbury	Democratic	Leonard Jason, Jr. of Chilmark	Roger W. Wey of Oak Bluffs	George J. Balco of Tisbury	All Others	Blanks	Total Votes Cast
Aquinnah.....	13	15	12	-	17	57	1	5	6	200	223	163	448	59	1	242	888
Chilmark.....	33	60	42	-	69	204	15	38	54	423	609	448	448	230	2	529	2,241
Edgartown.....	73	90	76	1	126	366	28	91	120	1,284	1,487	1,206	928	20	2,146	7,071	
Gosnold.....	1	2	2	-	1	6	4	8	12	40	42	40	40	32	-	77	231
Oak Bluffs.....	112	115	137	1	130	495	48	99	147	1,421	1,424	1,554	828	14	2,280	7,521	
Tisbury.....	84	94	92	6	126	402	44	6	121	1,319	1,387	1,271	1,271	25	1,990	6,864	
West Tisbury.....	79	93	96	-	119	387	36	93	129	1,011	1,175	987	562	24	1,518	5,277	
TOTALS	395	469	457	8	588	1,917	176	455	639	5,698	6,347	5,669	3,511	86	8,705	30,016	

COUNTY COMMISSIONER

Norfolk County	Democratic Primary					Republican Primary					State Election					
	John M. Gillis of Quincy	Francis W. O'Brien of Dedham	Stephen G. Harold of Quincy	Susan M. Rogers of Canton	All Others	Blanks	Total Votes Cast	No Nomination	All Others	Blanks	Total Votes Cast	John M. Gillis of Quincy Democratic	Francis W. O'Brien of Dedham Democratic	All Others	Blanks	Total Votes Cast
Avon.....	157	126	60	72	-	117	532	-	9	111	120	1,270	977	8	2,651	4,906
Bellingham.....	150	195	49	160	-	140	694	-	20	194	214	3,783	3,464	47	8,470	15,764
Braintree.....	1,397	725	960	708	2	866	4,658	-	39	717	756	10,829	5,681	90	19,922	36,522
Brookline.....	653	737	287	715	6	1,050	3,448	-	9	543	552	14,175	10,385	60	29,448	54,068
Canton.....	294	475	151	848	1	575	2,344	-	9	657	666	5,060	5,109	6	12,839	23,014
Cohasset.....	75	56	35	54	-	68	288	-	11	185	196	2,294	1,476	28	5,254	9,052
Dedham.....	612	1,776	211	583	-	1,190	4,372	-	10	198	208	3,746	7,724	-	13,480	24,950
Dover.....	140	76	17	75	-	58	266	-	12	314	326	1,224	1,453	33	4,016	6,726
Foxborough.....	40	226	41	174	-	125	706	-	8	502	510	3,826	4,194	20	9,516	17,556
Franklin.....	375	589	98	416	-	698	2,176	-	41	611	652	6,766	6,491	105	17,598	30,960
Holbrook.....	282	164	164	197	-	201	1,008	-	1	197	198	2,893	1,966	5	5,938	10,802
Medfield.....	88	161	33	107	-	145	534	-	2	324	326	2,720	3,254	10	7,944	13,928
Medway.....	205	309	57	248	-	277	1,096	-	19	177	196	3,041	3,116	49	7,406	13,612
Millis.....	169	253	30	183	-	406	1,042	-	10	412	422	1,931	1,906	34	5,009	8,880
Milton.....	1,242	858	968	1,039	8	1,473	5,588	-	42	292	334	7,342	5,264	7	17,269	29,882
Needham.....	948	1,466	291	1,189	5	2,965	6,864	-	8	1,012	1,020	6,972	7,377	82	19,379	33,810
Norfolk.....	193	278	62	232	4	515	1,284	-	39	1,121	1,160	2,179	2,293	50	5,588	10,110
Norwood.....	721	1,442	275	942	1	1,031	4,412	-	43	261	304	5,337	7,473	61	15,161	28,032
Plainville.....	105	177	22	137	1	204	646	-	2	352	354	1,929	1,747	8	4,280	7,964
QUINCY.....	5,534	1,328	3,264	1,416	16	3,840	15,398	-	195	1,455	1,650	27,742	9,957	264	38,401	76,364
Randolph.....	772	675	546	913	5	923	3,834	-	47	197	244	6,917	5,134	55	14,872	26,978
Sharon.....	107	132	83	237	-	225	784	-	7	143	150	4,550	4,242	22	10,802	19,616
Stoughton.....	382	516	201	699	2	532	2,332	-	9	435	444	6,130	5,625	19	15,000	26,774
Walpole.....	302	601	121	512	1	363	1,900	-	52	790	842	4,984	6,788	48	13,742	25,562
Wellesley.....	374	516	113	466	1	1,032	2,502	-	40	508	548	6,168	5,524	48	16,702	28,442
Westwood.....	156	352	71	203	-	276	1,058	-	102	102	102	2,863	4,145	33	9,693	16,734
Weymouth.....	1,539	764	1,041	711	-	959	5,014	-	8	1,260	1,265	16,839	8,642	170	27,597	53,248
Wrentham.....	132	243	47	206	2	322	972	-	27	777	804	2,568	2,634	49	6,149	11,400
TOTALS.....	17,164	15,216	9,298	13,442	56	20,576	75,752	-	719	13,847	14,566	166,078	134,041	1,411	364,126	665,656

State Election

Republican Primary

Democratic Primary

Plymouth County	Democratic Primary					Republican Primary					State Election				
	Peter G. Asiat, Jr	John Patrick Riordan	Jeffrey M. Welch	All Others	Blanks	Total Votes Cast	No Nomination	All Others	Blanks	Total Votes Cast	John Patrick Riordan	Jeffrey M. Welch	All Others	Blanks	Total Votes Cast
Abington.....	219	191	601	-	483	1,494	-	20	460	480	3,047	4,285	31	8,099	15,462
Bridgewater.....	411	307	307	-	356	1,326	-	32	680	712	5,593	4,195	77	12,715	22,580
BROCKTON.....	2,272	1,577	1,488	10	1,943	6,890	-	29	1,451	1,480	16,349	10,714	56	33,897	61,016
Carver.....	188	196	151	2	208	744	-	6	376	382	3,494	1,969	76	6,219	11,758
Duxbury.....	137	253	145	1	214	750	-	18	598	616	5,590	2,516	85	10,187	18,378
East Bridgewater.....	223	144	193	-	190	750	-	4	564	568	3,193	2,433	10	7,556	13,192
Halifax.....	113	109	136	-	154	512	-	10	216	226	2,228	1,370	37	4,031	7,666
Hanover.....	207	251	170	2	274	904	-	13	303	316	4,293	2,140	57	8,754	15,244
Hanson.....	152	117	193	66	138	666	-	2	418	420	2,639	2,061	39	5,609	10,348
Hingham.....	170	303	250	6	375	1,104	-	9	661	670	6,747	3,275	72	14,156	24,250
Hull.....	97	251	193	-	231	772	-	-	150	150	3,551	1,820	32	6,311	11,714
Kingston.....	289	401	272	-	440	1,402	-	13	609	622	3,996	1,763	8	6,969	12,736
Lakeville.....	289	274	211	-	566	1,340	-	2	316	318	2,779	1,903	6	6,120	10,808
Marion.....	77	103	72	1	145	398	-	17	709	726	1,717	917	25	3,491	6,150
Marshfield.....	193	703	366	2	606	1,870	-	25	901	926	9,513	3,111	86	14,450	27,160
Mattapoisett.....	167	160	130	-	233	690	-	-	574	574	2,178	1,221	9	4,412	7,820
Middleborough.....	290	276	218	3	325	1,112	-	6	588	594	5,305	3,502	60	11,317	20,184
Norwell.....	123	193	149	1	190	656	-	7	355	362	3,445	1,716	70	6,745	11,976
Pembroke.....	206	300	314	-	372	1,192	-	30	516	546	5,378	2,800	69	9,723	17,970
Plymouth.....	877	1,181	1,240	14	1,692	5,004	-	97	2,393	2,490	15,891	7,894	231	28,804	52,820
Plympton.....	54	60	37	-	61	212	-	3	157	160	1,033	554	1	1,708	3,296
Rochester.....	73	80	53	-	64	270	-	2	320	322	1,552	875	11	3,192	5,630
Rockland.....	253	233	353	5	368	1,212	-	13	301	314	4,228	3,797	88	8,609	16,722
Scituate.....	280	577	281	-	574	1,712	-	16	704	720	6,899	2,836	102	12,037	21,874
Wareham.....	389	375	261	1	460	1,486	-	41	581	622	6,170	3,151	103	10,936	20,360
West Bridgewater.....	136	82	125	1	130	474	-	19	339	358	1,713	1,369	14	4,342	7,438
Whitman.....	328	240	382	-	366	1,316	-	16	970	986	3,166	3,015	29	7,592	13,802
TOTALS.....	8,213	8,481	8,291	115	11,158	36,258	-	450	16,210	16,660	131,687	77,202	1,484	257,981	468,354

COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (FRANKLIN COUNTY)

Franklin County	State Election				Total Votes Cast
	Ann H. Banash of Gill Unenrolled	All Others	Blanks		
Ashfield.....	799	-	305	1,104	
Barnardston.....	977	3	256	1,236	
Buckland.....	772	2	262	1,036	
Charlemont.....	533	1	138	672	
Colrain.....	674	-	202	876	
Conway.....	853	-	341	1,194	
Deerfield.....	2,263	-	763	3,026	
Erving.....	625	4	152	781	
Gill.....	766	-	148	914	
Greenfield.....	6,674	39	1,854	8,567	
Hawley.....	135	-	60	195	
Heath.....	320	2	112	434	
Leverett.....	828	1	340	1,169	
Leyden.....	353	-	109	462	
Monroe.....	48	-	14	62	
Montague.....	3,322	6	870	4,198	
New Salem.....	455	-	135	590	
Northfield.....	1,289	4	448	1,741	
Orange.....	2,380	8	792	3,180	
Rowe.....	193	1	59	253	
Shelburne.....	857	6	296	1,159	
Shutesbury.....	830	1	341	1,172	
Sunderland.....	1,272	8	473	1,753	
Warwick.....	293	-	105	398	
Wendell.....	376	-	158	534	
Whately.....	671	1	263	935	
TOTALS.....	28,558	87	8,996	37,641	

DISTRICT ATTORNEY (TO FILL VACANCY)

Berkshire District	Democratic Primary				Republican Primary				State Election				
	David F. Capeles	Timothy J. Shugrue	All Others	Blanks	Total Votes Cast	No Nomination	All Others	Blanks	Total Votes Cast	David F. Capeles	All Others	Blanks	Total Votes Cast
Adams.....	1,410	464	-	61	1,935	-	12	45	57	3,454	10	609	4,073
Alford.....	44	2	1	1	48	-	-	3	3	251	-	52	303
Becket.....	61	19	-	1	81	-	3	6	9	646	2	200	848
Cheshire.....	367	148	-	8	523	-	12	34	46	1,537	3	291	1,831
Clarksburg.....	165	58	-	8	231	-	13	7	20	744	2	131	877
Dalton.....	561	168	-	2	731	-	19	61	80	2,915	9	608	3,532
Egremont.....	62	24	-	3	89	-	-	11	11	655	-	157	812
Florida.....	48	23	-	7	78	-	3	8	11	711	-	71	882
Great Barrington.....	318	92	1	4	415	-	14	40	54	2,947	16	792	3,755
Hancock.....	48	8	-	1	57	-	-	10	10	309	-	90	399
Hinsdale.....	139	71	-	1	211	-	3	11	14	859	-	213	1,072
Lanesborough.....	206	101	-	-	307	-	13	35	48	1,327	5	293	1,625
Lee.....	273	126	2	12	413	-	-	44	44	2,438	2	619	3,059
Lenox.....	511	114	-	10	635	-	17	29	46	2,483	16	591	3,090
Monterey.....	77	12	-	-	89	-	4	19	23	433	-	113	546
Mount Washington.....	22	1	-	1	24	-	-	2	2	91	-	17	108
New Ashford.....	23	17	-	-	40	-	-	1	1	121	-	27	148
New Marlborough.....	30	7	-	1	38	-	1	8	9	628	-	200	828
NORTH ADAMS.....	1,452	384	-	112	1,948	-	21	77	98	5,038	8	976	6,020
Otis.....	43	20	-	2	65	-	6	8	14	516	4	233	753
Peru.....	26	21	-	-	47	-	5	3	8	322	1	83	406
PITTSFIELD.....	4,061	1,409	-	20	5,490	-	145	193	338	16,357	28	4,182	20,567
Richmond.....	140	30	-	2	172	-	7	21	28	840	5	155	1,000
Sandisfield.....	34	9	-	-	43	-	1	4	5	309	-	109	418
Savoy.....	54	25	-	4	83	-	2	4	6	278	1	63	342
Sheffield.....	106	21	-	-	127	-	7	27	34	1,445	3	380	1,828
Stockbridge.....	147	33	1	6	187	-	12	17	29	983	2	275	1,260
Tyringham.....	33	37	-	-	70	-	-	3	3	196	-	70	266
Washington.....	50	29	-	-	79	-	1	5	6	258	2	61	321
West Stockbridge.....	206	14	-	1	221	-	15	14	29	780	-	126	906
Williamstown.....	714	141	2	37	892	-	18	29	47	3,077	7	682	3,766
Windsor.....	93	27	-	-	122	-	3	15	18	424	4	102	530
TOTALS.....	11,524	3,655	7	305	15,491	-	357	794	1,151	52,993	130	12,571	65,694

REGISTER OF DEEDS (TO FILL VACANCY)

Berkshire Northern District	Democratic Primary				Republican Primary				State Election				
	Frances T. Brooks of Adams	Gaianne M. Caridi of North Adams	All Others	Blanks	Total Votes Cast	No Nomination	All Others	Blanks	Total Votes Cast	Frances T. Brooks of Adams Democratic	All Others	Blanks	Total Votes Cast
Adams.....	1,856	73	-	6	1,935	-	26	31	57	3,727	1	345	4,073
Cheshire.....	462	56	-	5	523	-	13	33	46	1,564	-	267	1,831
Clarksburg.....	174	56	-	1	231	-	20	-	20	1,770	-	107	1,877
Florida.....	65	13	-	-	78	-	4	7	11	347	-	58	405
Hancock.....	38	17	-	2	57	-	-	10	10	303	-	96	399
Lanesborough.....	229	54	-	24	307	-	9	39	48	1,260	1	364	1,625
New Ashford.....	26	13	-	1	40	-	-	1	1	124	-	24	148
NORTH ADAMS.....	1,268	668	-	12	1,948	-	41	57	98	5,184	10	826	6,020
Savoy.....	74	6	-	3	83	-	6	-	6	299	-	43	342
Williamstown.....	712	157	-	23	892	-	19	28	47	3,112	13	641	3,766
Windsor.....	106	15	-	1	122	-	3	15	18	416	-	114	530
TOTALS.....	5,010	1,128	-	78	6,216	-	141	221	362	17,106	25	2,885	20,016

	Democratic Primary				Republican Primary				State Election			
	David M. Simas of Taunton	All Others	Blanks	Total Votes Cast	No Nomination	All Others	Blanks	Total Votes Cast	David M. Simas of Taunton Democratic	All Others	Blanks	Total Votes Cast
Bristol Northern District												
ATTLEBORO	700	4	213	917	-	84	516	600	12,502	446	4,936	17,884
Berkley	63	-	20	83	-	-	36	36	2,091	15	849	2,955
Dighton	89	-	22	111	-	2	31	33	2,288	5	980	3,273
Easton	228	-	59	287	-	5	148	153	6,940	21	4,516	11,477
Mansfield	286	-	59	345	-	-	653	653	7,296	-	3,591	10,887
North Attleborough.....	459	1	151	611	-	76	610	686	9,360	108	4,129	13,597
Norton	190	-	47	237	-	1	219	220	5,396	6	2,729	8,131
Raynham	216	-	45	261	-	2	159	161	4,339	-	2,025	6,364
Rehoboth	78	-	23	101	-	11	124	135	3,927	29	1,723	5,679
Seekonk	153	1	34	188	-	13	125	138	5,155	32	1,953	7,140
TAUNTON	1,335	8	277	1,620	-	22	204	226	15,899	98	5,291	21,288
TOTALS.....	3,797	14	950	4,761	-	216	2,825	3,041	75,193	760	32,722	108,675

REGISTER OF DEEDS (TO FILL VACANCY)

Norfolk District	Democratic Primary				Republican Primary				State Election				
	William P. O'Donnell of Norwood	Anthony T. McDonnell of Quincy	All Others	Blanks	Total Votes Cast	No Nomination	All Others	Blanks	Total Votes Cast	William P. O'Donnell of Norwood	All Others	Blanks	Total Votes Cast
Avon	181	63	1	21	266	-	7	53	60	1,728	11	714	2,453
Bellingham	263	58	-	26	347	-	20	87	107	5,563	46	2,273	7,882
Brantree	1,410	781	1	137	2,329	-	42	336	378	12,131	87	6,043	18,261
Brookline	1,124	324	2	274	1,724	-	5	271	276	18,342	61	8,631	27,034
Canton	896	160	1	115	1,172	-	4	329	333	7,599	7	3,901	11,507
Cohasset	91	40	-	13	144	-	11	87	98	2,924	24	1,578	4,526
Dedham	1,757	208	-	221	2,186	-	3	101	104	8,130	-	4,345	12,475
Dover	1,07	15	-	11	133	-	18	145	163	2,010	34	1,319	3,363
Foxborough	291	45	-	17	353	-	8	247	255	6,135	24	2,619	8,778
Franklin	813	129	-	146	1,088	-	49	277	326	10,508	86	4,886	15,480
Holbrook	326	159	-	19	504	-	6	93	99	3,828	5	1,568	5,401
Medfield	217	27	-	23	267	-	3	160	163	4,692	10	2,262	6,964
Medway	439	56	10	43	548	-	22	76	98	4,590	41	2,175	6,806
Mills	400	30	-	91	521	-	8	203	211	3,097	25	1,318	4,440
Milton	1,669	809	3	313	2,794	-	38	129	167	9,238	10	5,693	14,941
Needham	2,268	252	1	911	3,432	-	8	502	510	10,648	82	6,175	16,905
Norfolk	467	65	1	109	642	-	41	539	580	3,380	38	1,637	5,065
Norwood	1,990	157	1	58	2,206	-	37	115	152	10,129	58	3,829	14,016
Plainville	253	35	-	35	323	-	1	176	177	2,935	11	1,036	3,982
QUINCY	4,134	3,062	10	493	7,699	-	164	661	825	29,268	244	8,670	38,182
Randolph	1,157	558	1	201	1,917	-	37	85	122	9,564	53	3,872	13,489
Sharon	280	56	-	56	392	-	8	67	75	6,669	31	3,108	9,808
Stoughton	860	212	1	93	1,166	-	17	205	222	9,368	17	4,002	13,387
Walpole	834	86	-	30	950	-	55	366	421	8,767	58	3,956	12,781
Wellesley	766	131	1	353	1,251	-	35	239	274	8,832	58	5,331	14,221
Westwood	445	47	-	37	529	-	-	51	51	5,177	24	3,166	8,367
Weymouth	1,405	983	-	119	2,507	-	7	627	634	19,823	176	6,625	26,624
Wrentham	375	41	-	70	486	-	42	360	402	3,948	38	1,714	5,700
TOTALS	25,218	8,589	34	4,035	37,876	-	696	6,587	7,283	229,023	1,359	102,446	332,828

QUESTION 1

Shall the Town of Hadley accept sections 3 to 7 inclusive, of chapter 44B of the General Laws, as approved by its legislative body, a summary of which appears below?

SUMMARY

Sections 3 to 7 of chapter 44B of the General Laws of Massachusetts, also known as the Community Preservation Act ("Act"), establish a dedicated funding source to: acquire, create and preserve open space, land for recreational use, and community housing; acquire, preserve, rehabilitate and restore such open space, land for recreational use and community housing acquired or created as provided under said Act. In Hadley, the Act will be funded by an additional surcharge of three percent on the annual tax levy on real property and by matching funds provided by the state. The following exemptions from such surcharge, permitted under Section 3(e) of said Act, will apply: Property owned and occupied as a domicile by a person who would qualify for low income housing or low or moderate income senior housing in the town; and \$100,000 of the value of each taxable parcel of residential real property. The surcharge to be paid by a taxpayer receiving an abatement of real property authorized by chapter 59 or any other law will be reduced in proportion to such abatement. A Community Preservation Committee, created pursuant to bylaw, will make recommendations on the use of the funds. Town Meeting must approve any such recommendation before funds can be expended to acquire any particular parcel of land. All expenditures pursuant to the Act will be subject to an annual audit.

in the Town of Hadley

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Hampshire County				
Hadley.....	1,746	977	362	3,085
TOTALS.....	1,746	977	362	3,085

QUESTION 1

Shall the City of Easthampton be allowed to assess an additional \$874,000.00 in real estate and personal property taxes for the purposes of funding the operating budgets of the City and the Public Schools for the fiscal year beginning July first two thousand and five?

in the City of Easthampton

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Hampshire County				
Easthampton.....	3,379	4,709	247	8,335
TOTALS.....	3,379	4,709	247	8,335

QUESTION 1

Shall the Town of Mashpee be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and one-half, so called, the amounts required to pay for the bond issued for the purpose of constructing a library and for expenses incidental and related thereto?

in the Town of Mashpee

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Barnstable County				
Mashpee.....	5,091	2,236	467	7,794
TOTALS.....	5,091	2,236	467	7,794

QUESTION 1

Shall the Town of Sharon accept sections 3 to 7 inclusive, of chapter 44B of the General Laws, as approved by its legislative body, a summary of which appears below?

SUMMARY

Sections 3 through 7 of chapter 44B of the General Laws of Massachusetts, also known as the Community Preservation Act (the "Act"), establish a dedicated funding source to enable cities and towns to: (1) acquire open space, which includes land for park and recreational uses and the protection of public drinking water well fields, aquifers and recharge areas, wetlands, farm land, forests, marshes, beaches, scenic areas, wildlife preserves and other conservation areas; (2) acquire and restore historic buildings and sites; and (3) create affordable housing.

In Sharon, the funding source for these community preservation purposes will be a surcharge of 1% on the annual property tax assessed on real property and annual distributions made by the state from a trust fund created by the Act. If approved, the following will be exempt from the surcharge: (1) property owned and occupied as a domicile by any person who qualifies for low income housing or moderate income senior housing in the Town, as defined in Section 2 of the Act; (2) \$100,000 of the value of each taxable parcel of residential real property. A taxpayer receiving a regular property tax abatement or exemption will also receive a pro rata reduction in surcharge.

A Community Preservation Committee will be established by by-law to study community preservation resources, possibilities and needs and to make annual recommendations to Town Meeting on spending the funds. At least 10% of the funds for each fiscal year will be spent or reserved for later spending on each of the Act's three community preservation purposes (1) open space (excluding land for recreational use); (2) historic resources; and (3) affordable housing.

In the Town of Sharon

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Norfolk County				
Sharon	4,960	3,691	1,157	9,808
TOTALS.....	4,960	3,691	1,157	9,808

QUESTION 1

Shall an act passed by the general court in the year 2004 entitled, 'An Act Relative To The Charter Of The Town of Needham,' be accepted?

SUMMARY

Acceptance of this Act replaces the position of the Town Administrator with the creation of a Town Manager. The Town Manager will serve as the chief executive and fiscal officer, overseeing the day-to-day management of the Town. Appointed by the Board of Selectmen, the Town Manager will be responsible for hiring and supervising most Town employees, except those of the School Department.

Acceptance of this Act will not affect the composition or status of elected boards. These boards will retain their policy-making functions and will approve the hiring of the department managers under their jurisdiction. The Board of Selectmen will continue to appoint Town Counsel, and all other boards, commissions, and committees it presently appoints.

The changes to the town charter will become effective 185 days after being approved by a majority of voters of the Town voting at the November 2, 2004 election.

In the Town of Needham

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Norfolk County				
Needham.....	12,657	2,212	2,036	16,905
TOTALS.....	12,657	2,212	2,036	16,905

QUESTION 1

Shall the Town of Athol be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and one-half, so called, the amounts required to pay for the bond issued in order to upgrade and renovate the municipal sewer treatment plant and appurtenances?
In the Town of Athol

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Worcester County				
Athol	2,106	2,193	358	4,657
TOTALS.....	2,106	2,193	358	4,657

QUESTION 1

Shall the Town of Franklin be allowed to assess an additional three million, nine hundred thousand dollars (\$3,900,000) in real estate and personal property taxes for the purposes of preserving current school and municipal services \$3,255,000), restoring six (6) and adding two (2) firefighter/paramedics to staff two (2) ambulances (\$275,000), restoring four (4) police officers (\$240,000), restoring Library hours to meet the minimum state requirement (\$130,000) for the fiscal year beginning July 1, Two thousand and five (2005)?
In the Town of Franklin

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Norfolk County				
Franklin.....	7,037	8,185	258	15,480
TOTALS.....	7,037	8,185	258	15,480

QUESTION 1

Shall the Town of Mendon be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and one-half, so called, the amounts required to pay for the bond issued in order to acquire the Fino property located off North Ave., and Milford St., Mendon, Worcester County, Massachusetts?
In the Town of Mendon

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Worcester County				
Mendon.....	2,025	904	121	3,050
TOTALS.....	2,025	904	121	3,050

QUESTION 1

Shall the Town of Orleans be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and one-half, so called, the amounts required to pay for the bond issued in order to cap the Town land fill, including all expenses incidental and related thereto?
In the Town of Orleans

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Barnstable County				
Orleans.....	2,985	1,062	656	4,703
TOTALS.....	2,985	1,062	656	4,703

QUESTION 1

Shall the Town of Wellesley be allowed to assess an additional \$2,500,000 in real estate and personal property taxes for the purpose of funding its Group Insurance Liability Trust Fund to reduce the Town's unfunded post retirement benefit liability to zero over a 30 year period for the fiscal years beginning July first, two thousand and five?
In the Town of Wellesley

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Norfolk County				
Wellesley.....	3,123	9,777	1,321	14,221
TOTALS.....	3,123	9,777	1,321	14,221

QUESTION 1

Shall the Town of Holden be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and one-half, so called, the amounts required to pay for the bond issued in order to construct and equip a Public Safety Building on property at 1384 Main Street, including the costs of architectural, engineering, property acquisition, demolitions services and temporary facilities and other costs incidental and related thereto?
In the Town of Holden

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Worcester County				
Holden.....	4,318	4,932	594	9,844
TOTALS.....	4,318	4,932	594	9,844

QUESTION 1

Shall the Town of Grafton be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and one-half, so called, the amounts required to pay for the bond issued in order to fund additional borrowing to construct a new Fire Station at 25 Worcester Street and a new Police Station at 26 Providence Road?
In the Town of Grafton

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Worcester County				
Grafton.....	3,702	3,637	742	8,081
TOTALS.....	3,702	3,637	742	8,081

QUESTION 1

Shall the Town of Concord accept Sections 3 to 7 inclusive, of chapter 44B of the General Laws, as approved by its legislative body, a summary of which appears below?

SUMMARY

Sections 3 to 7 of chapter 44B of the General Laws of Massachusetts, also known as the Community Preservation Act (Act), allow communities to establish a dedicated funding source, and to receive state matching funds, with which to (1) acquire, create, and preserve open space, which includes, but is not limited to, farmland, forests and marshes, and other conservation land; (2) acquire, preserve, rehabilitate, and restore historic buildings and sites; (3) create, preserve, and support affordable housing; and (4) acquire, create, and preserve land for recreational use. The dedicated funds may also be used to rehabilitate and restore open space, community housing, and recreational land acquired or created under the Act.

As approved by the 2004 Annual Town Meeting, the local funding source for Concord will be a surcharge of 1.5% on the annual property tax on real property, commencing in fiscal year 2005, which runs from July 1, 2004 to June 30, 2005. In addition, the Act creates a state trust fund from which the Town will receive distributions in the form of matching funds that are solely available to communities that have accepted the Act. The funding source for this trust fund is the increased filing fees at the local registry of deeds and land courts.

Concord's Town Meeting has voted to include the following optional exemptions such that, if the Act is accepted, the following will be exempt from the surcharge: (1) \$100,000 of the value of each taxable parcel of residential real property; and (2) property owned and occupied as a domicile by any person who qualifies for low income housing or low or moderate income senior housing in the Town, as defined by Section 2 of said Act. Any other taxpayer receiving an exemption on real property taxes authorized by chapter 59 of the General Laws shall receive a pro rata reduction of the surcharge.

A Community Preservation Committee composed of nine local citizens will consult with citizens and town committees and make recommendations on the use of the funds. All expenditures will be subject to a vote of Town Meeting, and will be included in the Town's annual audit.

In the Town of Concord

of 2004, thereby precluding the Town from paying a substantial accidental death benefit to Claire B. McNamara, widow of firefighter Martin H. McNamara V, and allowing the Town to pay only the minimal benefit allowable under state law; (2) make no change to the limitations imposed by Proposition 2 1/2 with regard to the amount the Town may raise by taxation; and (3) nullify Town Meeting's contingent appropriation of funds for the purchase of an annuity to pay a substantial accidental death benefit to Claire B. McNamara.

In the Town of Lancaster

	Yes	No	Blanks	Total Ballots
Worcester County				
Lancaster	1,607	1,623	169	3,399
TOTALS	1,607	1,623	169	3,399

QUESTION 1

Shall the Town of Groton accept section 3 to 7 inclusive, of chapter 44B of the General Laws, as approved by its legislative body, a summary of which appears below?

SUMMARY

Section 3 to 7 of chapter 44B, also known as the Community Preservation Act ("Act"), establishes a dedicated funding source to acquire, create and preserve land for recreation, open space, historic resources and housing for low and moderate income persons and families and moderate income seniors.

A Community Preservation Committee will be established by by-law to study potential uses of the funds and to make recommendations to Town Meeting on how they should be spent. All expenditures will be subject to an annual audit and all meetings of the Committee will be open to the public.

In Groton, the Act will be funded by a surcharge of 3% of the annual property tax assessed on real estate beginning in the 2006 Fiscal Year—at current rates, this would be about \$111 per year based on a single family residential property with the median valuation of \$339,741. The other source of funds would be a special state trust fund. Money from the trust fund is distributed annually to communities that have accepted the Act.

Owner occupied housing would be exempt from the surcharge when the owner qualifies for low-income housing or low or moderate senior housing. \$100,000 of the value of each taxable parcel of residential property would