



Town of Concord Community Preservation Committee

2026 Annual Town Meeting

ARTICLE 26. Community Preservation Appropriation Recommendations

*Finance Committee Public Hearing
March 10, 2026*



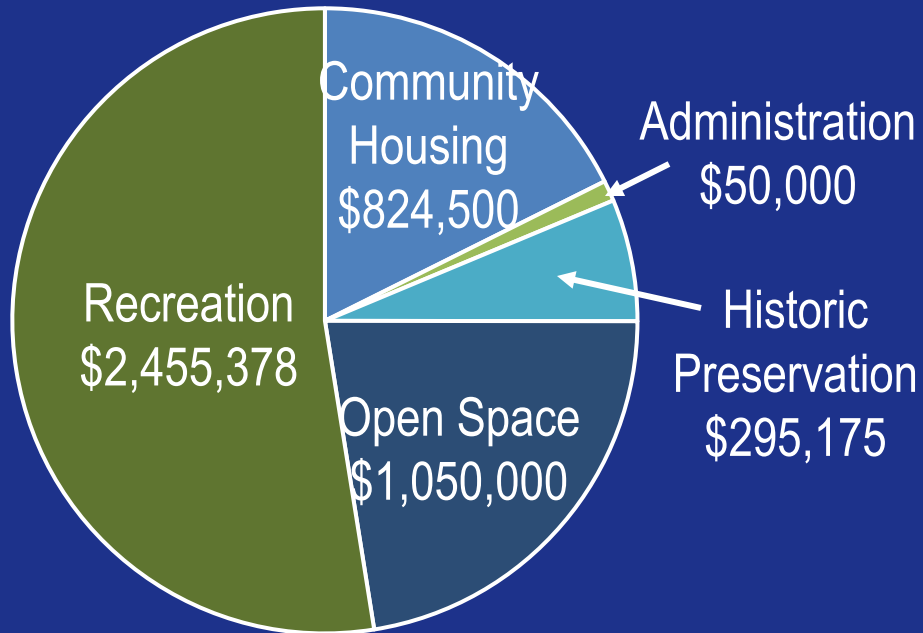
CPC Appropriation Recommendations

Article 26. To determine whether the Town will vote to appropriate or reserve from the Concord Community Preservation Fund annual revenues, prior year fund balance, and reserves in the amounts recommended by the Community Preservation Committee for committee administrative expenses, community preservation projects and other expenses in Fiscal Year 2027; and further to rescind prior appropriations in the sum of \$482,978 from the Community Preservation Fund, appropriated at the 2020 and 2021 Annual Town Meetings, and appropriate that amount to the Open Space Reserve Fund, with each item to be considered a separate appropriation, in accordance with Chapter 44B of the Mass. Gen. Laws, to be expended under the direction of the Town Manager as printed in the warrant.



Article 26: CPC Appropriations

Total Recommended Funding by CPA Category



Total recommended appropriations: \$4,675,053
+ Budgeted Reserves \$131,231



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The Community Preservation Committee recommends funding for the following 13 applications:

Regional Housing Services Program	Concord Reformatory & West Concord Thematic Preservation Study
Concord Municipal Affordable Housing Trust	Concord Free Public Library Storm Window Installation
Conservation Fund	Conservation of Town Record Books
Assabet River Bridge	Wright Tavern Energy Project
Concord-Carlisle High School Amenities Building	Concord Free Public Library Thoreau Surveys Preservation and Access
Rideout Park Court Renovations	CPC Staff and Technical Services
Thoreau Farm Trail	

Regional Housing Services Program

Support the Town of Concord's membership in the Regional Housing Services Program, an inter-municipal program providing professional housing services to develop and monitor Concord's affordable housing programs.

Recommended Funding: \$39,000

Category: Housing

Applicant: Town of Concord



Concord Municipal Affordable Housing Trust

Support the implementation of the FY2023-FY2028 Housing Production Plan in coordination with Concord Housing Roundtable partners.

Recommended Funding: \$785,500

Category: Community Housing

Applicants: Concord Municipal Affordable Housing Trust & Town of Concord



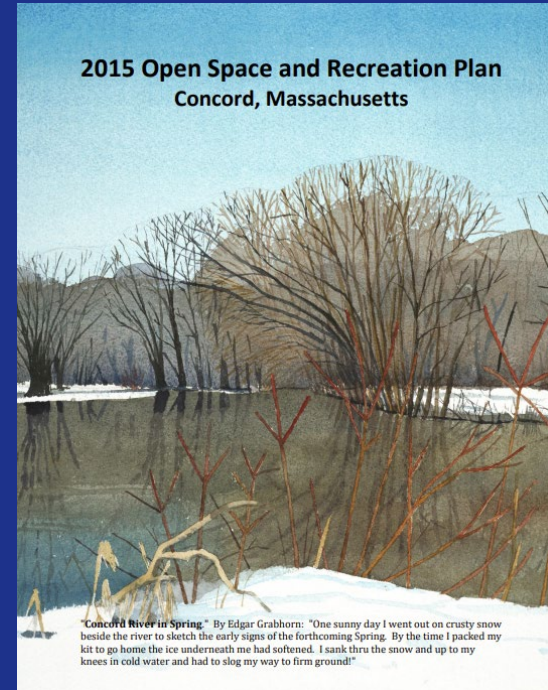
Conservation Fund

To support a Conservation Fund, established pursuant to Mass. Gen. Laws c 40, § 8C for the purposes of conservation land acquisition and related expenses.

Recommended Funding: \$500,000

Category: Open Space

Applicants: Town of Concord/ Division of Natural Resources



Assabet River Bridge

To support design, engineering, permitting, cost estimation and an associated conservation restriction for the Assabet River Multi-use Bridge and Trail project.

Recommended Funding: \$490,570
Categories: Open Space & Recreation
Applicant: Town of Concord/Planning Division



Concord-Carlisle High School Amenities Building

For construction of a community recreation amenities building with ADA-compliant bathroom facilities and other amenities in proximity to tennis courts and athletic fields.

Recommended Funding: \$1,417,655

Categories: Recreation

Applicant: Concord-Carlisle Regional
School District



Rideout Park Court Renovations

To resurface the Rideout Park Courts that are currently in poor condition.

Recommended Funding: \$497,153

Category: Recreation

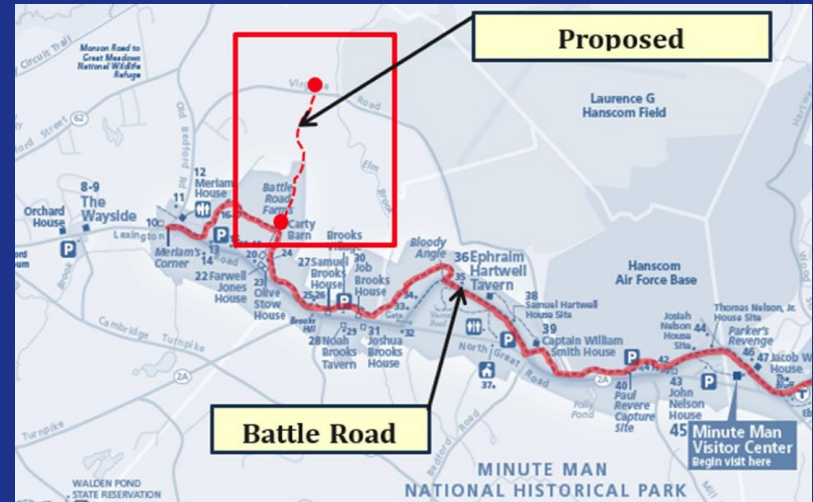
Applicant: Town of Concord/
Recreation Division and Board



Thoreau Farm Trail

To support the planning and construction phases of a proposed Thoreau Farm Trail, linking Thoreau Farm with Minute Man National Historical Park's Battle Road Trail.

Recommended Funding: \$600,000
Category: Open Space and Recreation
Applicant: Thoreau Farm Trust



Concord Free Public Library Storm Windows Installation

To purchase and install custom-made storm windows to maintain and protect historic windows of the Concord Free Public Library.

Recommended Funding: \$50,000

Category: Historic Preservation

Applicant: Concord Free Public Library



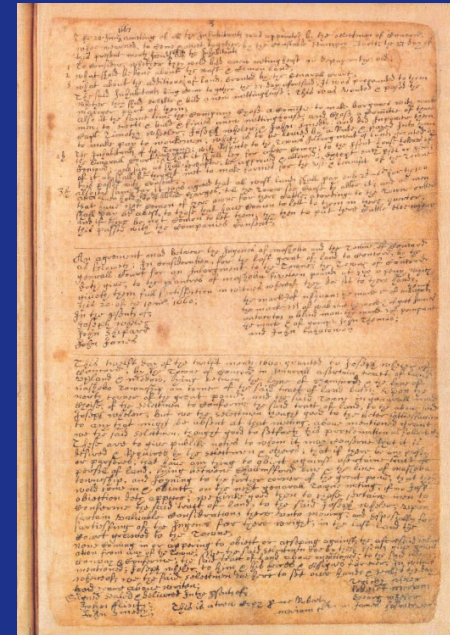
Conservation and Digitization of Town Record Books

To support the conservation and digitization of the first five volumes of the Town of Concord Record Books.

Recommended Funding: \$36,000

Category: Historic Preservation

Applicant: Town of Concord/ Archives



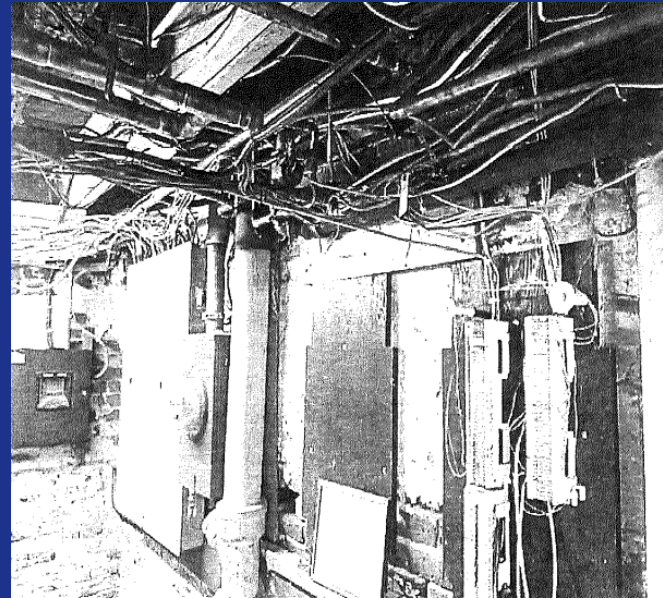
Wright Tavern Energy Project

To support code-related upgrades of existing electrical wiring and systems assessment and planning for future HVAC and electrical improvements to the the Wright Tavern.

Recommended Funding: \$81,200

Category: Historic Preservation

Applicant: Wright Tavern Legacy Trust



CPC Staff & Technical Support

Funding for staff support; legal, technical and consulting services; supplies and associated administrative requirements including legal ads, copying, etc.; and other administrative expenses.

Recommended Funding: \$50,000

Category: Administration

Applicant: Town of Concord/Planning



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Budgeted Reserve

The CPC recommends that remaining funds (\$131,231) be placed in the Community Preservation Budgeted Reserve.



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Thank you!