

# FY20 Completed Action Grant Summaries



Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness Program
MA Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs

# 53 River Street Dam Removal



## Acton FY20



**AWARD** \$150,000

PROJECT TYPE Design and Permitting

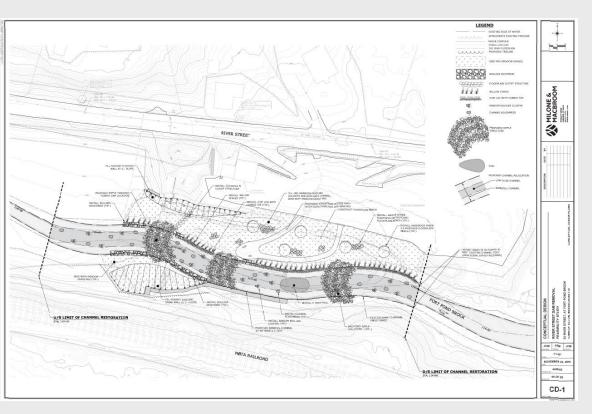
CORE PRINCIPLES DEMONSTRATED

**Nature Based Solutions** 

**DESCRIPTION** 

The Town sought designs and obtained permits to remove the dam and associated structures at 53 River Street to increase flood resiliency

The vision for the area includes river restoration and a public recreational area



# Amesbury Open Space and Recreation Plan Update



## **Amsbury FY20**



**AWARD** 

\$37,500

MATCH \$12,538

**PROJECT TYPE** 

Planning and Design

CORE PRINCIPLES DEMONSTRATED

Furthering a community identified priority action to address climate change impacts:

**DESCRIPTION** 

- Prepare a 2020-2027 Open Space and Recreation Plan.
- Integrate planning to increase the resiliency of vulnerable populations into the OSRP planning process.
- Integrate downscaled climate data for the Merrimack River Watershed.
- Integrate the information and mapping generated during the MVP expanded scope NRIA project into the OSRP planning process and the final OSRP.
- Provide community outreach and education as part of the OSRP planning process to educate the Amesbury community on opportunities to increase climate resilience, particularly nature-based solutions, and to educate the Amesbury community about the OSRP and associated opportunities.





# Climate Action, Adaptation and Resilience Plan



### Amherst FY 20



#### Learn more:

Climate Action, Adaptation and Resilience Plan

**AWARD** 

\$100,000

**PROJECT TYPE** 

Detailed Planning Document; Community Outreach and Education; Energy Resilience Strategies

CORE PRINCIPLES
DEMONSTRATED

Utilizing climate change data for a proactive solution; Increasing equitable outcomes for and supporting strong partnerships with EJ and climate vulnerable pops.; Conducting robust community engagement

**DESCRIPTION** 

Development of a Climate Action, Adaptation and Resiliency Plan that proposes ambitious goals for decarbonization, movement towards 100% renewable energy and resiliency strategies developed through a process of widespread and equitable community engagement



Aerial view of Amherst Photo credit: Lion Hirth

#### 1. Amherst's Climate Goals

- 25% below 2016 levels by 2025
- 50% below 2016 levels by 2030
- Carbon neutrality compared to 2016 levels by 2050

#### 2. Plan Principles

- Equity, Accessibility, and Belonging
- Racial and Climate Justice
- Local Wealth Creation and Fair Distribution
- Community Involvement and Connections

#### **Evaluating Strategies for Action**

- Emissions and Costs
- Equity and Resilience
- Leaders, Partners, Existing Resources
- Metrics, Milestones, Readiness

# Protection Measures for Vulnerable Drinking Water Supply Areas and Green Bridge Design



## Auburn FY20



#### Learn More:

BMPs to Protect Drinking Water Supply Areas
Project video filmed by Auburn Cable TV



\$145,452

**PROJECT TYPE** 

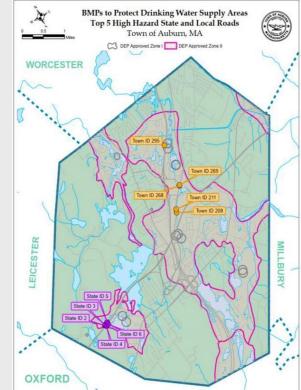
Planning, Assessment, Design

# CORE PRINCIPLES DEMONSTRATED

Furthering a community identified priority action to address climate change impacts

- This project allowed the Town to develop protection measures for their water supply by documenting areas along town and state roadways that are at high risk of stormwater contamination and prioritizing improvements with best management practices.
- Developing conceptual designs for a "green" bridge to replace failing culverts that convey the Kettle Brook under Sword Street advances the town's goal to replace the existing infrastructure and maintain the roadway as a local evacuation route.





# Resilient Together: Beverly and Salem's Climate Action and Resilience Plan



## Beverly/Salem FY 20



Learn more:

**Resilient Together Dashboard** 

**AWARD** 

\$187,500

**PROJECT TYPE** 

Detailed Planning Document; Community Outreach and Education; Local Plan

CORE PRINCIPLES DEMONSTRATED

Utilizing climate change data for a proactive solution; Conducting robust community engagement; Achieving broad and multiple community benefits; Utilizing regional solutions toward regional benefit

**DESCRIPTION** 

- Developed regional climate action plan as roadmap to accomplish carbon neutrality by 2050.
- Utilized extensive community outreach methods to solicit and receive feedback from a significant and diverse range of community members.
- Included GHG emissions for both cities and separate toolkits for both residents and businesses, as well as online dashboard to continue outreach.





#### Shared Vision

The Cities of Beverly and Salem, through the collective action of Resilient Together, will embrace both short-term and long-term solutions that reduce greenhouse gas emissions to achieve carbon neutrality by mid-century while ensuring that our communities are resilient to the impacts of climate change.

In doing so, Beverly and Salem will remain inclusive and thriving communities, attractive and accessible to diverse families and businesses, for generations to come.

# Increasing regional flood resiliency through reddesigning culverts in the Howlett Brook Watershed



## **Boxford FY20**



**AWARD** 

\$45,855

MATCH \$45,855

**PROJECT TYPE** 

Achieving broad and multiple community benefits

CORE PRINCIPLES
DEMONSTRATED

**DESCRIPTION** 

- Complete comprehensive regional culvert design project
- Provide 12 30% design plans based on the MA Stream Crossing Standards and future modeled climatic conditions
- Position the towns to pursue implementation funding, and when implemented, increase flood resiliency, reduce community risk, and restore natural habitats.





# Urban Forest Climate Resiliency Master Plan



## **Brookline FY20**



Learn More:

<u>Urban Forest Climate Resiliency Master Plan</u> Project Webpage

**AWARD** 

\$112,500

**PROJECT TYPE** 

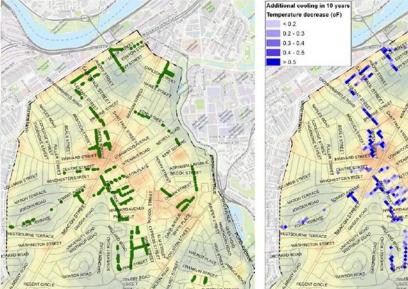
Local Bylaws, Ordinances, Plans and Other Management Measures

CORE PRINCIPLES DEMONSTRATED

Employing Nature-Based Solutions; Furthering a Community Identified Priority Action to Address Climate Change Impacts; Increasing Equitable Outcomes for & Supporting Strong Partnerships with EJ Populations and Climate Vulnerable Populations

- Conducted a 3-part inventory of Brookline's urban forest (LiDAR, Stem-by-Stem, Soils)
- Evaluated needs across Brookline and identified areas/communities that are under-served in terms of tree planting and/or are more vulnerable to the impacts of climate change
- Developed actionable goals and recommendations to enhance the resiliency of Brookline's urban canopy to the impacts of climate change and to ensure equitable distribution of canopy.





# Canton Climate Change Vulnerability and Resiliency Assessment Study



### Canton FY20



Learn More:

<u>Canton Vulnerability and Resiliency Project</u> Webstite

**AWARD** 

\$337,500

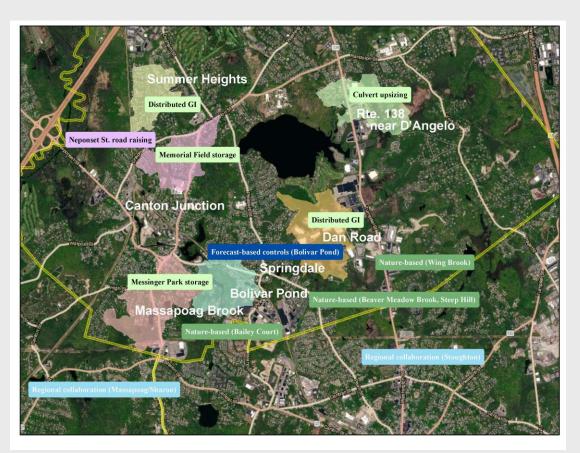
**PROJECT TYPE** 

Climate Risk and Resiliency Study

CORE PRINCIPLES DEMONSTRATED

Opportunity to use nature-based solutions to mitigate inland flooding caused by climate change

- Used hydraulic and hydrologic modeling coupled with a community risk assessment to identify areas of high risk due to future inland flooding
- Identified a mix of nature-based storage and green infrastructure opportunities, active dam management, and gray infrastructure upgrades to mitigate future flooding Townwide
- Community engagement included interactive workshops (virtual) to hear from residents their areas of flooding concern, developing public education tools for flood awareness



# Dunshire Drive Phase 1



## **Chelmsford FY20**



**AWARD** 

\$83,545

**PROJECT TYPE** 

Culvert Replacement and Deep Brook Stream Restoration

CORE PRINCIPLES DEMONSTRATED

Furthering a community identified priority action to address climate change impacts

**DESCRIPTION** 

- Redesign undersized infrastructure
- Develop ecological and stream restoration plan
- Increase resiliency of neighborhood and its roadways, and reduce flooding





# Island End River Flood Resilience Project City of Chelsea & City of Everett



## Chelsea & Everett FY20-FY21



#### Learn More:

- Island End Park Resilient Design
- Island End River Flood Resilience Project

**AWARD** 

\$454,555.00

**PROJECT TYPE** 

Design, Permitting, Analysis, Financing

CORE PRINCIPLES DEMONSTRATED

Employing Nature-Based Solutions; Increasing equitable outcomes for and supporting strong partnerships with EJ Populations, Utilizing regional solutions towards regional benefit; Furthering community identified priority action to address climate change impacts

- Conducted deep community engagement within the context of flood resilience and broader climate impacts with residents, schools, stakeholders
- Completed environmental analysis, permitting, land acquisition, engineering, and design of coastal barrier solution in Chelsea and a portion of Everett
- Engaged state level and federal level entities to assess feasibility of permitting, financing, and implementation of a flood barrier at the Island End River flood pathway





# Reducing Flooding Vulnerability in Deerfield



### Deerfield FY20



Learn More:

**Project Website** 

**AWARD** 

\$572,250 (FY20)

MATCH \$192,888

**PROJECT TYPE** 

Action

CORE PRINCIPLES DEMONSTRATED

Community Outreach and Education, Local Bylaws, Ordinances, Plans, and Other Management Measures, Redesigns and Retrofits, Nature-Based Flood Protection

- Replacement of the top priority Kelleher Drive failed culvert with more resilient culvert with improved wildlife passage
- Installation green streets infrastructure in the town center and rain gardens at the Deerfield Elementary School.
- Design of green parking lots at Frontier Regional High School and in the town center
- Design of a new green entranceway at Deerfield Elementary School and the design of green streets and rain gardens
- · Revisions to Deerfield zoning and other bylaws to promote climate resiliency and low impact development
- Engaging Deerfield youth at Frontier High School in working on climate resiliency.





# Wetland Restoration – Removal of Abandoned Structures (Sam Wright Field)



## Easton FY19-22



Learn More:

Sam Wright Field Project
Canoe River Resiliency Project

**AWARD** 

\$177,620.00 actual is \$70,832.49

**MATCH** 

\$ 77, 590.52 actual is \$35,189.42

**PROJECT TYPE** 

Construction and On-the-Ground Implementation

CORE PRINCIPLES DEMONSTRATED

Furthering Community Priorities, Employing Nature Based Solutions, Achieving Multiple Community Benefits, Pursuing Innovative/Transferable Approaches

**DESCRIPTION** 

Restore historic wetland/floodplain at former agricultural site

- Remove derelict buildings/ impervious cover
- Remove 23,000 sf of fill to restore wetland/floodplain
- Volunteer invasive species monitoring program





# Coonamessett River Restoration Project: Phase 2



### Falmouth FY19



#### Learn More:

- Coonamessett River Trust
- Coonamessett Greenway Heritage Trail

**AWARD** 

\$760,000

MATCH \$1.17 million

**PROJECT TYPE** 

Construction and On-the-Ground Implementation

CORE PRINCIPLES
DEMONSTRATED

Employing Nature-Based Solutions; Achieving Broad and Multiple Community Benefits

- Leveraged a multitude of partners and funding sources to make a broad impact in the community.
- Included restoring a cranberry bog to its natural self-sustaining wetland, reestablishing floodplain connectivity, and improving a historic herring run.
- Community engagement included an "adopta-herring" program and outdoor classrooms.





# City Stormwater Utility Study



## City of Framingham, FY20



#### Learn more:

- City of Framingham MVP Report
- Stormwater Management in Framingham

**AWARD** 

\$207,000 (grant total); \$55,000 for utility study

**PROJECT TYPE** 

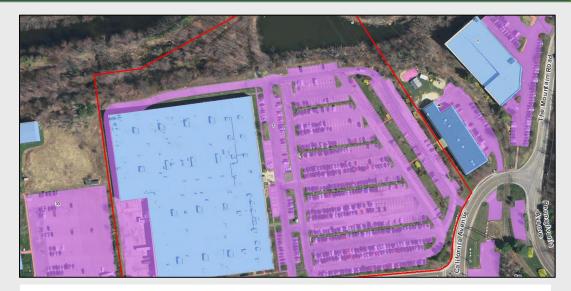
Stormwater & Flood Mitigation Planning

CORE PRINCIPLES
DEMONSTRATED

Furthering a Community Identified Priority Action; Conducting Robust Community Engagement

**DESCRIPTION** 

- Expanded on existing efforts to develop a ready-toimplement stormwater utility
- Created a public engagement plan and developed public education materials in English & Spanish
- Developed a credit policy that encourages on-site stormwater management using nature-based solutions and creates a more equitable fee structure for Climate Vulnerable Populations



## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

about the FRAMINGHAM STORMWATER ENTERPRISE FUND



Please come to share your questions and concerns!

We will present the information on the stormwater management budget and how a stormwater enterprise fund would function in Framingham

# Walnut Street Flood Mitigation Study



## City of Framingham, FY20



#### Learn more:

- City of Framingham MVP Report
- Stormwater Management in Framingham

**AWARD** 

\$207,000 (grant total); \$152,000 for flood study

**PROJECT TYPE** 

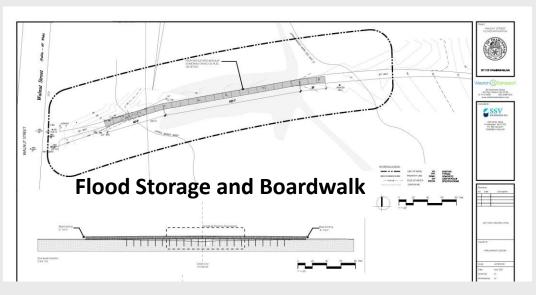
Flood Mitigation Designs

CORE PRINCIPLES
DEMONSTRATED

Nature based flood protection, reduce vulnerability to climate change impacts, ecological restoration/habitat management

- Developed and evaluated flood mitigation design alternatives
- Enhanced flood storage capacity
- Restoration and ecological enhancement to return natural habitat and function to floodplains





# Wheelock Street Culvert Replacement Design



## **Erving FY20**



AWARD \$40,000

PROJECT TYPE Design and Permitting

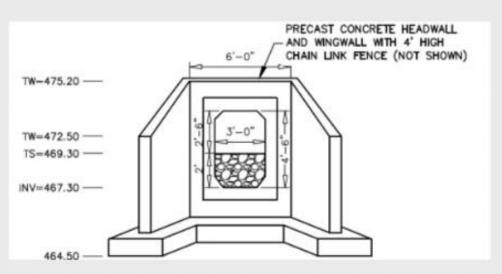
CORE PRINCIPLES
DEMONSTRATED

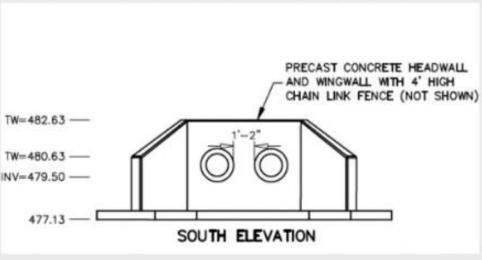
Addressing climate change impacts

DESCRIPTION

Replaced two failing and undersized stream crossings:

- 30" CMP replaced with 3' x 4.5' precast concrete box culvert lined with native stone
- 12" HDPE replaced with two 15" reinforced concrete pipes and concrete headwalls
- Wetland replication area
- No unnecessary PVC coating on chain-link safety fence to reduce plastics use and the environmental and human health impacts of PVC production





# Walnut Street Flood Mitigation Study



# City of Framingham, FY20



#### Learn more:

- <u>City of Framingham MVP Report</u>
- Stormwater Management in Framingham

**AWARD** 

\$207,000 (grant total); \$152,000 for flood study

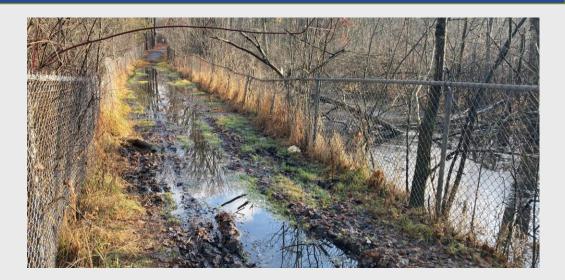
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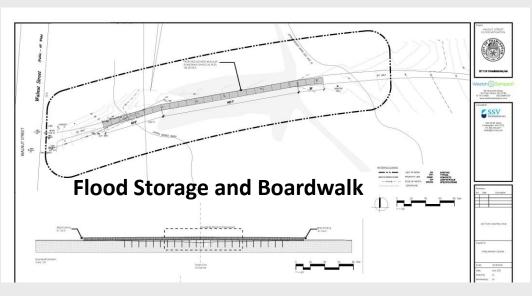
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# Cuttyhunk Land Conservation Project



## Gosnold FY20



**AWARD** 

\$1,400,000

MATCH \$1,400,000

**PROJECT TYPE** 

Land Acquisition for Conservation

CORE PRINCIPLES DEMONSTRATED

Committing to monitoring project success and maintaining the project into the future

**DESCRIPTION** 

- The direct purchase of land by the Town of Gosnold and their partner the Buzzards Bay Coalition (67 acres)
- Purchase of permanent conservation restrictions on these lands
- Protect harbor for public safety and protect drinking water source as well as prevent future development





# Harvard Climate Action and Land Stewardship Plan



## Harvard FY20



Learn More:

<u>Primary Project/Program Website</u>
Agricultural Climate Action Plan Website

**AWARD** 

\$70,860

**PROJECT TYPE** 

Detailed Vulnerability and Risk Assessment and Further Planning; Community Outreach and Education; Local Bylaws, Ordinances, Plans, and Other Management Measures

CORE PRINCIPLES
DEMONSTRATED

Furthering a community identified priority to achieve broad and multiple community benefits

**DESCRIPTION** 

Development of an Agricultural Sector Climate Action Plan and the outline and high-impact actions for a full Climate Action Plan. The Agricultural Plan also included a full marketing and branding program, logo, website, map, and brochure.







## Hull FY20



**AWARD** 

\$25,373

MATCH \$8

\$8,850

**PROJECT TYPE** 

Vulnerability Assessment and Nature based solutions

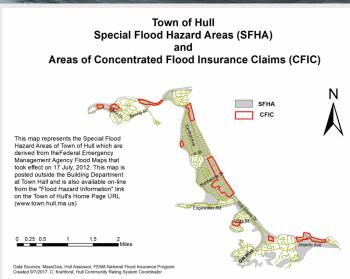
CORE PRINCIPLES DEMONSTRATED

Committing to monitoring project success and maintaining the project into the future

**DESCRIPTION** 

- Flood Protection Alternatives Assessment
- Improve long-term resiliency to frequent coastal storm events
- Evaluation of historical site information, coastal flooding data, and future sea level rise information
- Coastal processes analysis





# Ipswich River Sewer Interceptor and Siphon Risk Mitigation and Resiliency Improvements Design



# **Ipswich FY20**



**AWARD** 

\$18,945

MATCH \$7,093

**PROJECT TYPE** 

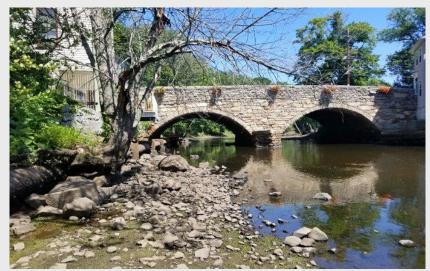
Redesigns and Retrofits; Nature Based Flood Protection, Drought Mitigation, Water, Quality, and Water Infiltration Techniques; Ecological Restoration and Habitat, Management to Increase Resiliency; - Nature-Based Solutions to Reduce, Vulnerability to other Climate Change Impacts

CORE PRINCIPLES
DEMONSTRATED

**Employing Nature-Based Solutions (NBS)** 

**DESCRIPTION** 

- Nature Based Solutions to stabilize and improve natural systems
- Resiliency of sewer system to protect properties, natural habitat, and beaches
- Reduce riverbed scour
- Establish marine habitat





# Strawberry Brook Watershed Flood Relief



## Lynn FY20



**AWARD** 

\$112,500

MATCH \$

\$37,500

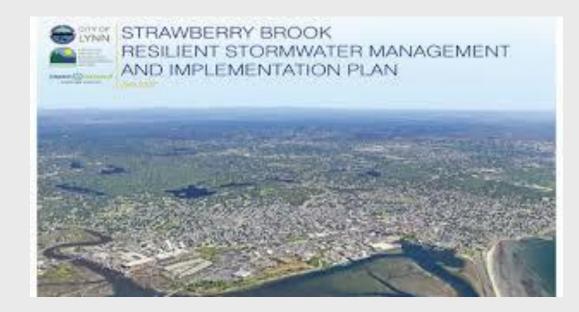
**PROJECT TYPE** 

Detailed Vulnerability and Risk Assessment

CORE PRINCIPLES DEMONSTRATED

**DESCRIPTION** 

- Develop hydraulic model to understand stream and stormwater flows
- Assess drainage system to identify deficiencies
- Explore channel cleaning and culvert improvements to improve flow
- Evaluate climate factors that could have future impacts



# Sawmill Brook Central Pond Restoration Project Phase 2: Permitting and Design



## Manchester By The Sea FY20-21



Learn More:

Manchester By The Sea Restoration Project Website

AWARD

\$72,385

**PROJECT TYPE** 

**Design and Permitting** 

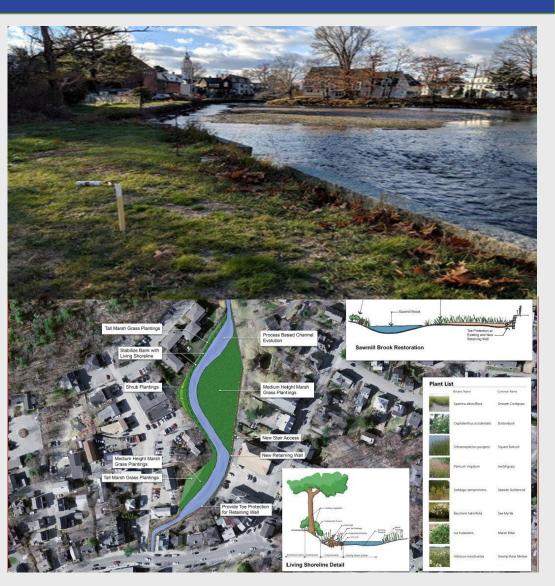
CORE PRINCIPLES DEMONSTRATED

Utilizing climate change data for a proactive solution, Employing Nature Based Solutions

**DESCRIPTION** 

The Central Pond Restoration design entails replacing or restoring walls along the sides of the Pond (both hard and soft solutions), restoring the pond interior to a tidal salt marsh, and drainage improvement

The goal for the second phase of the Central Pond Restoration is to obtain the necessary permits and develop the final design and specifications for the Pond Restoration elements in preparation for the third and final phase: construction



# Equity-Centered Process for Climate Action and Adaptation Planning



# Medford / 2019-2021



Learn More:

**Project Website** 

**AWARD** 

\$36,136

**PROJECT TYPE** 

Community Outreach and Education

CORE PRINCIPLES DEMONSTRATED

Centering equity and the lived expertise of environmental justice communities

- Held one of a series of bilingual community dinners (modified due to the pandemic)
- Hosted an equity workshop to build a shared understanding of how addressing racism is central to climate planning
- Convened Outreach & Community Collaboration Working Group to center lived expertise of low-income communities and communities of color in Medford



# Suitability Assessment for Equitable, Community-Driven Resilience Hubs in Medford



## Medford FY20



Learn More:

Medford Resiliency Project Website

**AWARD** \$ 65,259.00

**PROJECT TYPE** 

Planning, Assessments, Capacity-Building, and Regulatory Updates

**DEMONSTRATED** 

Increasing equitable outcomes for and supporting strong partnerships with CORE PRINCIPLES Environmental Justice (EJ) Populations and Climate Vulnerable Populations; Conducting robust community engagement; Achieving broad and multiple community benefits; Pursuing innovative, transferable approaches

DESCRIPTION

The Resilient Medford Resilience Hubs project aims to assess Medford's ability to withstand climate events from a public health perspective by 3 main tasks.

- Task 1 Justly identify priority service areas for a pilot Resilience Hub based on neighborhood resources, sensitivity to climate change, and adaptive capacity.
- Task 2 A) Evaluate adaptability of vulnerable residents and gauge community provider's readiness to climate impacts. B) Listen to residents on resilience concerns to amplify the voices of residents facing social inequities. Engage providers in discussions to understand resilient programming that would support their constituents.
- Task 3 Explore areas within the identified service areas that may accommodate resilient programming, share the requirements of a Resilience Hub site and recommendations to advance equitable community resilience.

**Results:** The assessment revealed that residents were intrigued by Resilience Hubs but were skeptical of reliable community engagement and questioned for whom Hubs would truly serve. Similarly, local providers were interested in Resilience Hubs, but would like to further understand how a physical space would be attained and how a multiuse, co-located space would operate. It is clear that next steps must first lay a foundation of trust between community and City Hall through inclusive outreach and an active commitment from the city to practice anti-racism. Further planning is also needed to organize Resilience Hub coordination, communications, and operations.

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CLIMATE & COMMUNITY RESILIENCE



# JOIN OUR COMMUNITY CONVERSATION

From risk to resiliency.

WHEN: SATURDAY, MAY 9 FROM: 9:00 - 10:30 AM

WHERE: ZOOM

BONUS: \$20 STOP&SHOP GIFT CARD LIMITED SPACE - REGISTER ONLINE!

http://www.medfordma.org/climate-community-resilience-may-9-2020/

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE CITY OF MEDFORD BOARD OF HEALTH

# City Hall Parking Lot Green Infrastructure Design



## Melrose FY20



**AWARD** 

\$70,313

MATCH

\$23,428

**PROJECT TYPE** 

**Nature Based Flood Solutions** 

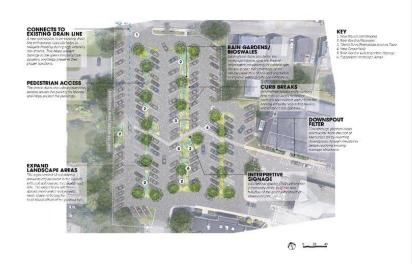
CORE PRINCIPLES DEMONSTRATED

**Employing Nature-Based Solutions (NBS)** 

**DESCRIPTION** 

- Create rain gardens/bioswales to mitigate flooding in the parking lot from Dix Pond
- New drain line connections to the lot, improve stormwater filtration
- Replace paved areas with landscaping
- Educate the public with signage





# Increasing the Resiliency of Short Beach on Nahant to Sea Level Rise: Access Point Restoration and Modification Plan



### Nahant FY20



**AWARD** 

\$35,565

MATCH \$12,548

Protection, Ecological Restoration and Habitat Management to Increase Resiliency

Detailed Vulnerability and Risk Assessment and Further Planning, Community Outreach and Education, Nature-Based Flood

**PROJECT TYPE** 

CORE PRINCIPLES

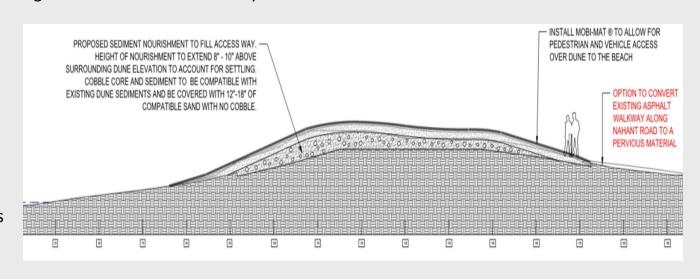
**DEMONSTRATED** 

**DESCRIPTION** 

Building community capacity for climate resilience

**Project Priorities & Results:** 

- Public Signage installed to educate community on Grant & Dune Grass as well as protective signage
- Public Outreach Library Newsletter & Publications, Beach Cleanup and Dune Grass Plantings
- Permit Plans for Access Points and Dune Restoration



# MC-FRM Evaluation and Resilience Design Guideline Development



## New Bedford and Fairhaven FY20



Learn More:

**Project Website** 

**AWARD** 

\$58,662

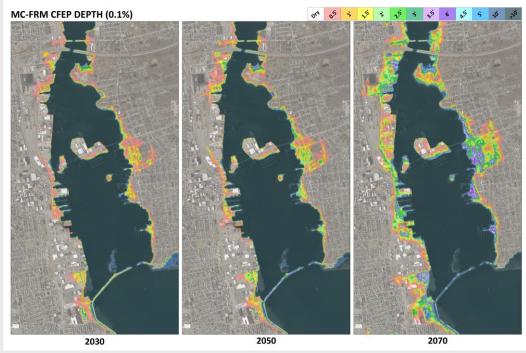
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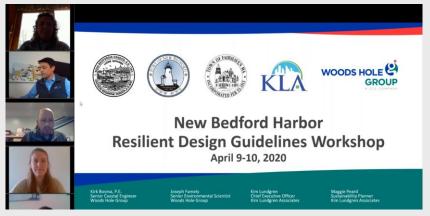
Detailed vulnerability and risk assessment and further planning, Community outreach and education

CORE PRINCIPLES
DEMONSTRATED

Utilizing climate data for proactive solutions, Furthering a community identified priority action to address climate change, Utilizing regional solutions for regional benefits

- Evaluating the sea level rise projections in New Bedford Harbor
- Developing Resilient Design Guidelines based on those projections and the project design life
- Engaging landowners, developers, employers, front line workers and other stakeholders in the Harbor
- Creating a Maritime Business Resilience Toolkit





# Controlling Flooding and Addressing Future Climate Impacts through Replacement of Orchard St Culvert



## **Newbury FY20**



Learn More:

Newbury Orchard St Culvert Project Website

**AWARD** 

\$126,324

**PROJECT TYPE** 

Design and Permitting

CORE PRINCIPLES
DEMONSTRATED

Utilizing climate data for proactive solutions,
Achieving broad and diverse community benefits

**DESCRIPTION** 

Design and permitting for upgrading an undersized culvert to benefit public safety, flood resilience and the ecology of the area

Surveying, data collection, preliminary engineering, hydraulic analysis and geotechnical investigation



# Plum Island: Exploring the Fiscal and Economic Implications of Sea Level Rise



## Newbury & Newburyport FY20



Learn More:

Plum Island Project Website

AWARD \$217,451

PROJECT TYPE Assessment

CORE PRINCIPLES DEMONSTRATED

Utilizing climate data for proactive solutions, Utilizing regional solutions toward regional benefit, Pursuing innovative, transferable approaches

**DESCRIPTION** 

The project goal was to lay the groundwork to better enable both communities to make thoughtful decisions regarding the challenges brought on by climate change for long-term planning for Plum Island

Economic and fiscal information was gathered to help the towns evaluate long-term management options for the island

How can both communities responsibly manage the island, with all the public services that accompany that responsibility, and how can both communities prepare for change?





# Resilient Critical Infrastructure: Adapting Wastewater Treatment Facility, Infrastructure, and Public Rail Trail to Future Sea Level Rise and Storm Surge



## Newburyport FY 20



Learn More:

**Project Website** 

**AWARD** 

\$71,160

**PROJECT TYPE** 

**Design and Permitting** 

CORE PRINCIPLES
DEMONSTRATED

Utilizing climate data for a proactive solution, Achieving broad and diverse community benefits

**DESCRIPTION** 

First phase of multi-year effort to protect WWTF and UGE, plus fill a critical gap in a Rail Trail network

Develop design and permits for sloped stone revetment, elevated berm, and Rail Trail along 1,100' section of shoreline

Cleanup PCB-contaminated soil



# Restoring Pine Grove Golf Course through removing drainage infrastructure, restoring wetlands, and reforestation



## Northampton FY20



**AWARD** \$225,000

PROJECT TYPE Nature-Based Solutions

CORE PRINCIPLES
DEMONSTRATED
Nature-based solutions, Pursing innovative, transferable approaches

**DESCRIPTION** Restore historic hydrology patterns and wetlands, reforest the golf course, plan for long term full

site restoration



# Development of an Island-wide Adaptation Strategy



# Oak Bluffs (for Martha's Vineyard)/FY20



Learn More:

Martha's Vineyard Commission

**AWARD** 

\$54,000

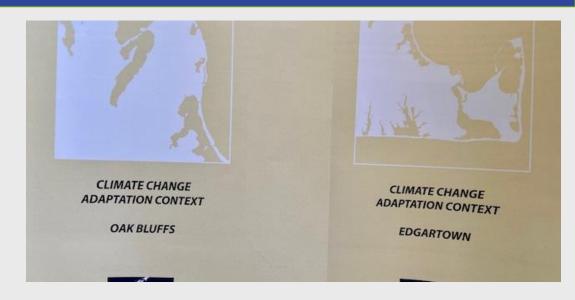
**PROJECT TYPE** 

Phase I Climate Action Planning

CORE PRINCIPLES
DEMONSTRATED

Develop strong foundation for climate action plan

- Gather and create database of climate-related documents
- Stakeholder listening sessions
- Develop climate adaptation resource booklets for six Island towns
- Present booklets to Select Boards





# Route 181 Culvert Replacement & Culvert Infrastructure Assessment



## Palmer FY20



Learn More:

Palmer Culvert Project Website

**AWARD** 

\$19,500

MATCH \$6,500

**PROJECT TYPE** 

Permitting & Design

CORE PRINCIPLES
DEMONSTRATED

Detailed vulnerability & risk assessment; Employing naturebased solutions; capacity building

**DESCRIPTION** 

Enhancement of water quality, protection of coldwater fisheries resource, restoration of natural stream processes, protection from flooding





# Town of Palmer Master Plan



### Palmer FY20-21



Learn more:

**Project Website** 

AWARD

\$112,500.00

**PROJECT TYPE** 

Town of Palmer Master Plan

CORE PRINCIPLES DEMONSTRATED

Furthering a community identified priority action to address climate change impacts; Conducting robust community engagement; Committing to monitoring project success and maintaining the project into the future

**DESCRIPTION** 

- This project consisted of creating a ten-year Master Plan in accordance with M.G.L. c. 41, § 81D addressing the nine critical areas as well as adding new Chapters entitled Climate Adaptation and Sustainability and Planning for a Healthy Community with a corresponding Health Addendum
- The 18-month process began in March 2020 and began with a community tour, followed by 7 public forums, 2 public surveys, an economic roundtable and 14 steering committee meetings developing results for the 4 following focused efforts:
  - 1. Identifying Palmers' challenges & opportunities
  - 2. Setting Palmers' shared visions & supporting goals
  - 3. Developing and prioritizing supporting actions
  - 4. Creating an accountable implementation program

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EXPLORE AND DISCUSS PALMER'S SUSTAINABILITY AND CLIMATE RESILIENCE

December 17th - 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM

Join us virtually through Zoom: https://tinyurl.com/palmermpsustain Join us by phone: 1 (312) 626-6799, Webinar ID: 994 1103 8783

# Resilient North River Canal Corridor Phase 2



## Peabody FY20



Learn More:

Peabody Projects Page

**AWARD** 

\$365,014

**PROJECT TYPE** 

Design and Permitting

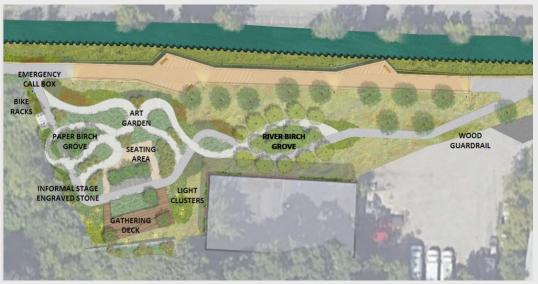
CORE PRINCIPLES
DEMONSTRATED

Utilizing climate data for proactive solutions, Regional solutions, Nature Based Solutions

**DESCRIPTION** 

Phase II of the Resilient North River Canal Corridor project included design and permitting for stabilization of the south bank of the North River and inclusion of a Riverwalk. The bank stabilization will increase flood resiliency while the Riverwalk will create a new recreational space and pedestrian corridor for multimodal transportation in an economically disadvantaged part of the community





# Mill Street Dam Removal Project



### Pittsfield FY20



**AWARD** 

\$99,000

MATCH \$33,368

**PROJECT TYPE** 

Dam Removal and Ecological Restoration

CORE PRINCIPLES
DEMONSTRATED

Achieving broad and multiple community benefits

**DESCRIPTION** 

### Project Priorities:

- Improve public safety by removing the dam
- Support an urban revitalization effort
- Improve river ecology and habitat connectivity to the West Branch of the Housatonic River

Before Removal



After Removal



# Transportation Infrastructure Improvement, Inventory, and Prioritization Plan



### Plainfield FY20



**AWARD** \$33,550

PROJECT TYPE Culvert Replacement and Vulnerability Assessment

CORE PRINCIPLES DEMONSTRATED

Furthering a community identified priority action to address climate change impacts

**DESCRIPTION** 

#### **Project Priorities:**

- Culvert replacement and surface repair at Bow Street
- Undertake a road stream crossing inventory and vulnerability assessment







Culvert Replacement

# Coastal Flood Mitigation Storm Drainage Improvements – Phase 1: Engineering and Public Outreach



## **Quincy FY20**



**AWARD** 

\$164,046

MATCH \$58,954

**PROJECT TYPE** 

Planning and Community Education

CORE PRINCIPLES DEMONSTRATED

**Employing Nature-Based Solutions (NBS)** 

**DESCRIPTION** 

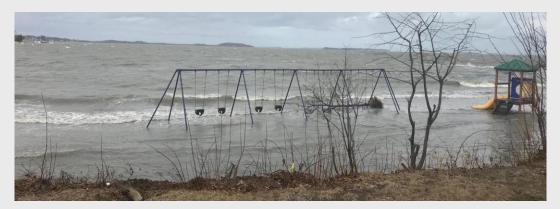
**Project Priorities:** 

Assessing opportunities for nature-based solutions, specifically to improve salt marsh habitat

Engage the public with the town's efforts to make it more climate resilient

Assess benefits of projects to improve flood

protection





# Ocean Ave West Pump Station Flood Mitigation



### Salem FY20



Learn More:

Salem Flood Mitigation Project Website

**AWARD** \$174,750

PROJECT TYPE Assessment

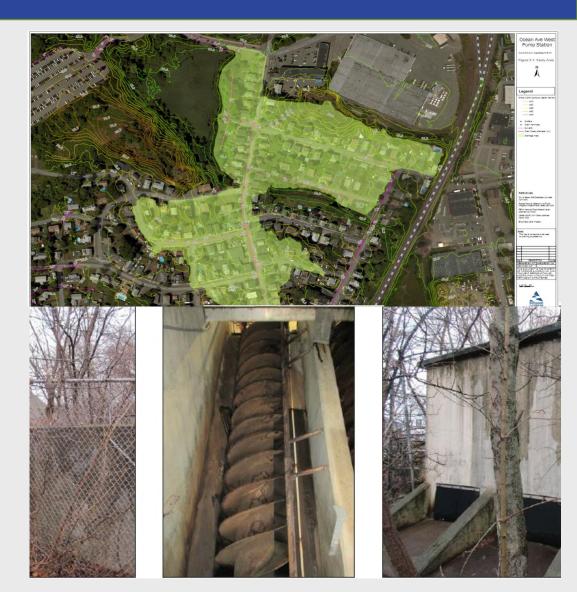
CORE PRINCIPLES DEMONSTRATED

Utilizing climate data for proactive solutions

**DESCRIPTION** 

Assess and design alternatives using climate change data for potential upgrades to the Ocean Ave pump stormwater pump station

The goal of the project is to protect the low lying neighborhood of Jefferson Ave, Canal St, and Geneva St.



# Shirley Microgrid Feasibility Study



## Shirley FY20



Learn More:

Meeting Minutes of the Board of Selectmen Meeting

Project Webpage On Shirley's Website

**AWARD** 

\$58,794

**PROJECT TYPE** 

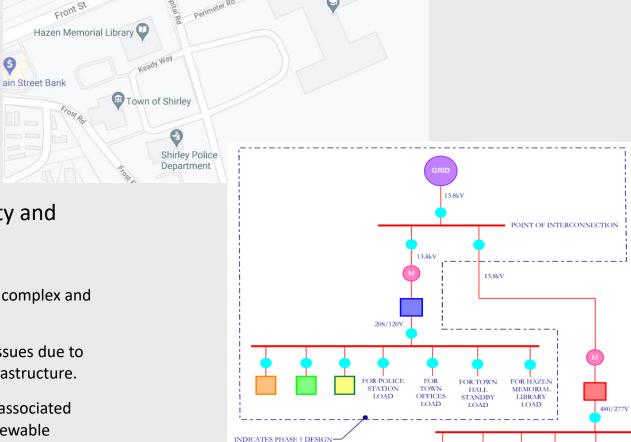
**Feasibility Study** 

CORE PRINCIPLES DEMONSTRATED

Energy Resilience Strategies; Vulnerability and Risk Assessment

**DESCRIPTION** 

- •Studied the potential of creating a microgrid at Town's complex and adjacent Regional Middle School.
- •Addressed concerns for power loss and public health issues due to severe weather incidents and maturing electric grid infrastructure.
- •Explored options to reduce greenhouse gas emissions associated with fossil fuel for energy by investigating available renewable energy sources to integrate with microgrid to provide alternate source of power.



Ayer Shirley Regional

# Critical Regional Infrastructure and Social Vulnerability in the Lower Mystic Watershed



## Somerville, FY20



#### Learn More:

<u>Project website</u> Project StoryMap

**AWARD** 

**Action Grant** 

**PROJECT TYPE** 

Detailed Vulnerability and Risk Assessment and Further Planning; Community Outreach and Education; and others

CORE PRINCIPLES
DEMONSTRATED

Regional and stakeholder collaboration; infrastructure vulnerability assessment; social vulnerability assessment

- Two streams of integrated work: a critical infrastructure vulnerability assessment and a social vulnerability assessment.
- Key findings and recommendations on actions and investments critical to protecting priority populations during and after a major coastal storm
- Extensive collaboration from infrastructure owners/operators, community-based organizations, and community residents in Boston, Chelsea, Everett, Revere, Somerville, and Winthrop.





# Beach Access Resiliency and Accessibility Improvements Cassidy Park Beach



### Swampscott FY20



#### Learn more:

- Town of Swampscott
- Beach Access and Resiliency Improvements

**AWARD** \$ 367,054

MATCH \$ 122,351

**PROJECT TYPE** 

Design, Permitting & Construction

CORE PRINCIPLES
DEMONSTRATED

Employing Nature-Based Solutions; Achieving Broad and Multiple Community Benefits

- Adding compatible sand to the maximum elevations and slopes feasible without adversely impacting abutting properties or accessibility
- Stabilizing sand using native vegetation
- Install ADA compliant access mats





# Beach Access Resiliency and Accessibility Improvements Phillips Beach



## Swampscott FY20



#### Learn more:

- Town of Swampscott
- Beach Access and Resiliency Improvements

**AWARD** 

**\$** 367,054

MATCH \$ 122,351

**PROJECT TYPE** 

Design, Permitting & Construction

CORE PRINCIPLES DEMONSTRATED

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# Integrated Vector-Borne Disease Control Program



## Uxbridge FY20



#### Learn More:

- Uxbridge Core Team Page
- Recording of Regional Conference

**REGION** Central

**AWARD** \$256,926

**MATCH** \$97,245

PROJECT TYPE Planning, Assessments, Capacity Building &

**Regulatory Updates** 

**CORE PRINCIPLES** Employing Nature-Based Solution/ Achieving Broad and Multiple Community Benefits/ **DEMONSTRATED** Innovative, Transferrable Approaches

> **PRIORITIES** Increase public awareness of ecological mosquito management processes in relation to a changing climate

**REGIONAL MOSQUITO CONTROL** CONFERENCE

Hosted by the Town of Uxbridge Funded by a Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness Grant

Join Us

WEDNESDAY, JULY 22, 2020 9:30AM - 12:30PM

To learn about the current state of EEE and West Nile Virus in MA, integrated mosquito management, and environmental considerations from the following presenters

#### **CLICK HERE TO REGISTER**

This Conference will be held remotely via Zoom.

This learning and networking opportunity is intended for municipal staff, and board and committee members in communities in southern Worcester County that do not belong t a mosquito control project

For questions, email Kristin Black at kblack@uxbridge-ma.gov

#### **PRESENTERS**

Chris Horton, Superintendent, Berkshire County Mosquito

Topic: Integrated mosquito management in Massachusetts

Heidi Ricci, Acting Director of Advocacy, Mass Audubon Martha Gach, Ph.D., Conservation Coord., Mass Audubon Topic: Mosquito control from an ecological perspective

Catherine Brown, DVM, MPH, MS, State Epidemiologist, Mass. Department of Public Health

Topic: The current state of EEE and West Nile Virus in MA









#### Why Uxbridge's Vernal Pools are Important:

- Breeding ground and habitat:

- Water purification







#### Department

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Department of Public Works

Conservation Agent

Board of Health

Chief, Police Department

Director, Department of Public Works

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# Resilient Stormwater Action and Implementation Plan



## City of Waltham FY20/FY21



Learn More:

Waltham Stormwater Project Website

**AWARD** 

\$217,370

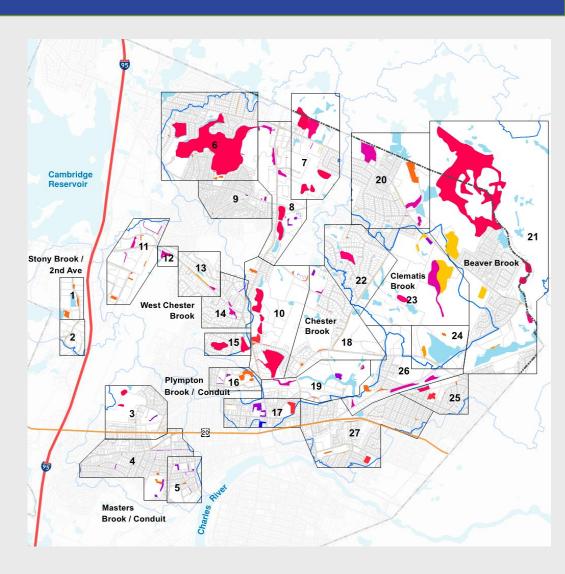
**PROJECT TYPE** 

Planning, Assessment, Capacity Building, and Regulatory Updates

CORE PRINCIPLES DEMONSTRATED

Utilizing Climate Change Data for a Proactive Solution:, Employing Nature-Based Solutions; Achieving Broad and Multiple Community Benefits

- Identified opportunities for nature-based stormwater controls, flood mitigation projects, and grey infrastructure upgrades at the sub-basin level
- Developed a 10-year stormwater capital improvement plan to build resilience throughout the city



# Weston Ahead Climate Action & Resilience Plan



### Weston FY20 & FY21



### Weston Ahead Webpage

**AWARD** 

\$100,000

**PROJECT TYPE** 

Planning, Assessments, Capacity-Building, and Regulatory Updates

CORE PRINCIPLES
DEMONSTRATED

Furthering a community identified priority action to address climate change impacts; Conducting robust community engagement; Committing to monitoring project success and maintaining the project into the future

**DESCRIPTION** 

- Conducted a planning process to bring the community on board by engaging, educating and empowering folks to take climate action.
- Included a baseline assessment & goal setting, action identification, action prioritization, implementation steps development, final plan development, and community engagement.

# What will YOU do to move Weston Ahead?







WHAT WILL YOU DO?



& FAMILY

www.westonahead.org

# Shaker Glen Extension Restoration



# City of Woburn FY20/FY21



Learn More:

Woburn Shaker Glen Project Website

AWARD

\$145,445

**PROJECT TYPE** 

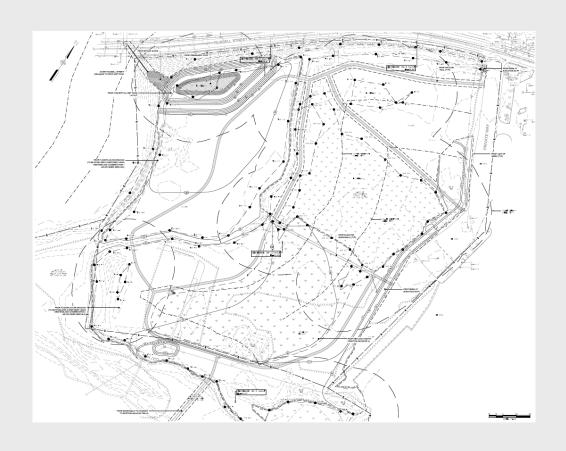
Design

CORE PRINCIPLES
DEMONSTRATED

Employing Nature-Based Solutions; Achieving broad and multiple community benefits

**DESCRIPTION** 

Developed a preliminary design for the restoration and conservation of the Shaker Glen Extension area that will provide stormwater storage, improve habitat, and increase recreational and educational opportunities



# Worcester Senior Center: Urban Rain Gardens At Work



### Worcester FY20-21



Learn More:

Worcester Rain Gardens Project Website

**AWARD** 

\$378,356

**PROJECT TYPE** 

Redesigns and Retrofits, Nature-Based Flood Protection, Drought Mitigation, Water Quality, and Water Infiltration Techniques, Nature-Based, Infrastructure, & Tech. Solutions to Reduce Vulnerability to Extreme Heat & Poor Air Quality

CORE PRINCIPLES DEMONSTRATED

**Employing Nature-Based Solutions** 

Pursuing innovative, transferable approaches

**DESCRIPTION** 

To address flooding and extreme heat hazards in a dense largely impervious area of the city, Worcester incorporated nature-based solutions during a parking lot redesign of the Worcester Senior Center. Because the site was nearly 100% impervious with no stormwater management system, a hybrid approach was utilized – with a rain garden and bioswales installed to treat most of the light and moderate rain runoff, and an underground stormwater treatment system treating runoff from more intense rain events.





# Yarmouth Clean Energy Resiliency for Regional Septic Processing & Transfer Station



### Yarmouth FY20



**AWARD** 

\$150,000

MATCH

\$50,000

PROJECT TYPE

Planning and Community Education

CORE PRINCIPLES
DEMONSTRATED

Achieving broad and multiple community benefits

**DESCRIPTION** 

Project Priorities:

- Clean energy resiliency
- Greenhouse gas reduction: solar and energy storage
- Operational cost savings



