

SOUTH SHORE COALITION

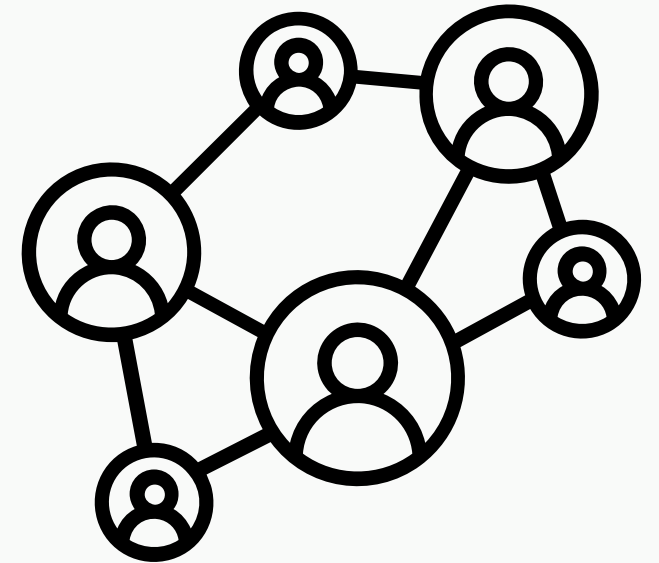
AUGUST MONTHLY MEETING

8/15/2024

Agenda

- Community Updates
- Historic Preservation Practice at MAPC
- Regional Wastewater – Initial Discussion
- Resource Sharing - Grants and Engagement Opportunities

COMMUNITY UPDATES





Historic Preservation Practice at MAPC

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Regional Wastewater on South Shore

- Please share any context
 - *Ongoing Discussions*
- How can SSC/MAPC help
 - *Roles*
 - *Facilitator and Convener?*
- Suggested contacts to connect with

RESOURCE SHARING

Engagement Opportunities, Grants Opportunities

Draft State Historic Preservation Plan is Available for Public Comment

Massachusetts State Historic Preservation Plan 2018–2022. A draft of the new plan is now available for public comment on the MHC's website, [here](#) (PDF). You can learn more about the state plan process [here](#).

The draft plan is available for public comment through **September 30, 2024**. Please provide any written comments to Jennifer Doherty, Local Government Programs Coordinator, via email at Jennifer.Doherty@sec.state.ma.us.

Have any successful (or unsuccessful!) projects from 2018 to 2022? Let us know! We are looking to summarize preservation efforts from 2018 to 2022. Send any projects or photographs to Jennifer Doherty, Local Government Programs Coordinator, via email at Jennifer.Doherty@sec.state.ma.us.

A new competitive grant program to support the commemoration of the 250th anniversary of the American Revolution. The **Massachusetts 250 Grant Program** will fund projects that highlight historic themes of revolution and independence, celebrate significant "firsts" in Massachusetts history, or take a creative or innovative approach to commemorating the state's past 250 years.

Applications must be submitted through [MOTT's Online Application Portal](#). Applications are due by **August 26th at 3p.m.** and grant awards are anticipated to be announced in September 2024.

MA 250 guidelines and information are available on [MOTT's website](#).

**Massachusetts 250 Grants Now Available
(MOTT)**

National Park Service – Brief and Grant

NPS has just added a new Preservation Brief 51, [Preservation Brief 51, Building Codes for Historic and Existing Buildings: Planning and Maximizing their Application](#), the latest addition to the [Preservation Briefs](#) publication series. The Brief provides information on how to meet the goals of building codes while also preserving or minimizing alterations to the character-defining features, spaces, materials, and finishes of historic buildings.

[African American Civil Rights Grants](#) are available for physical preservation work and history projects at sites related to the struggle for equal rights for African Americans. Applications are due **September 5, 2024**.

Section 3A related

New Resource: [Report](#) on “Zoning for Livable Communities: MBTA Communities Law as a Catalyst for Municipal Opportunity.” This report is a joint project between MAPC and students from Tufts University Graduate School of Arts and Science Urban and Environmental Policy and Planning (UEP Program).

Heads Up: The MBTA Communities Catalyst (3A Catalyst) grant program will fund a broad range of capital projects including planning and zoning, infrastructure, housing production, preservation, and rehabilitation, and other locally identified needs in compliant MBTA Communities.

Opening on a rolling basis around labor day. [Link to press release](#) when this was appropriated.

Tufts UEP Projects

Each spring, first-year Masters students in the [Tufts Urban & Environmental Policy & Planning](#) (UEP) department must complete the Field Projects course, where students work in teams of 4-6 on projects hosted by real-world partners. Take a look at past UEP [Field Projects website](#).

To submit a project idea, please email a brief (half-page) description by Friday, September 6, 2024 to Kate Davies at Kathryn.Davies@tufts.edu. Upon review, 12-15 organizations are selected with whom the team works to develop full project proposals by the end of October.

Please note that program asks all project hosts to make a contribution to support project expenses -- \$150-250 depending on the resources of the host organization.

Walkability Infrastructure Funding Resource

[Funding Strategies, Resources, and Opportunities](#) guide from WalkMassachusetts. This comprehensive document outlines a variety of funding opportunities for pedestrian infrastructure improvement projects in Massachusetts, including local, state, regional, and private funding options.

Our guide is designed to assist with a range of projects and needs, such as:

- Construction and maintenance of pedestrian infrastructure
- Installation of new signage
- Trail maintenance and creation
- Technical assistance for walkability infrastructure and project planning
- Community development, sustainability, and equity initiatives

MS4: Created in 2017, the MS4 Grant Program funds partnerships to expand efforts to meet the 2016 Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) General Permit and reduce stormwater pollution.

- Amount Available: Up to \$250,000
- Application Due: September 6, 2024
- RFR Link: <https://www.mass.gov/info-details/grants-financial-assistance-watersheds-water-quality#stormwater-ms4-municipal-assistance-grant-program>

WMA: Funds public water suppliers w/ Water Management Act permits or registrations to do planning (including drought management and resiliency), demand management, and withdrawal impact mitigation projects.

- Amount Available: Up to \$1,000,000
- Application Due: August 30, 2024
- RFR Link: <https://www.mass.gov/info-details/water-management-act-grant-programs-for-public-water-suppliers>

MS4 & Water Management Act Grant (MassDEP)

Reduce, Reuse, Repair Microgrants (Round 2) - MassDEP

MassDEP is pleased to announce that the [Reduce, Reuse, Repair Micro-Grants](#) have been updated for 2024! These grants provide awards of up to \$10,000 to for-profit and non-profit organizations, regional authorities, eligible municipalities, and schools/colleges, for short term waste reduction projects (≤ 1 year). To qualify, projects must focus on reducing waste generation and prolonging the lifespan of products via donation, rescue, reuse and/or repair in Massachusetts. As always, composting and recycling projects are NOT eligible for this grant.

Application Deadline: November 15

A link to the online application will be posted on the MassDEP Micro-Grant webpage on October 1. There, you can also find a sample application and the [grant guidelines](#). Please read the guidelines in their entirety. You may contact Janice Pare Janice.pare@Mass.gov with any questions.

Formal Session Wrap Up: Priorities Passed and Next Steps

We invite you to join MAPC's Government Affairs Team two weeks from now for a legislative session wrap up webinar.

Tuesday, August 27, 2024 | 12:00 p.m. via Zoom | [Register Now](#)

The Team will discuss the Affordable Homes Act, which Governor Healey signed into law, and the Economic Development and Energy Siting bills, which didn't quite make it across the finish line before the end of the formal session.

Join the Government Affairs Team to learn more about MAPC's victories in the 2023-2024 legislative session, where other policies landed, and how you can help to get priority bills back on the move before 2025.

THANK YOU

Next Meeting

September 19, at 2 pm

Transportation Focus