



## SERVICES TO LEVERETT IN 2023

### CLIMATE RESILIENCE AND LAND USE

- Prepared a memo summarizing known short-term rental numbers in Franklin County, revenues for towns that have opted in to the lodging tax, and existing bylaws across the state related to short-term rentals. Towns can use that info to develop policies and bylaws, if desired.

### COMMUNITY HEALTH

- Supported town officials with information and technical assistance on spending opioid settlement funds.

### SHARED MUNICIPAL SERVICES

- Leverett contracted with the FRCOG to receive collective bid pricing for highway products and services, including rental equipment, and for dog tags and licenses. Staff also conducted a collective 5-year bid for student transportation encompassing 9 Franklin County School Districts, including the Franklin County Technical School.
- The Franklin County Cooperative Inspections program issued 86 building permits, 62 electrical permits, 25 plumbing/gas permits, and 6 certificates of inspection for Leverett in 2023.
- FRCOG staff organized and facilitated educational meetings for members of town energy committees.
- The FRCOG Town Accounting program produced biweekly vendor warrants, and provided monthly budget reports to all officials and departments through the end of FY23. Accountants assisted with closing the FY23 accounting records in the MIP software to enable the certification of free cash and submittal of the Schedule A at year-end.

### TRAINING AND EDUCATION

The following list represents the FRCOG workshops, roundtables and training sessions that Leverett public officials, staff, and residents attended, and the number in attendance.

#### Emergency Preparedness

- K-9 Life Support Certification – 1
- Assault and Battery Response – 2

#### Planning, Conservation & Development

- Environmental Protection Grant Information Session – 1
- Short Term Residential Rentals – 1

#### Municipal Officials' Continuing Education

- One-Stop Municipal Grants Information Session – 3

#### Public Health & Community Awareness

- Age and Dementia-Friendly Community Talk – 6
- USDA Rural Development Grant Information Session – 1

### TRANSPORTATION

- Engaged in a contract to install Franklin County Bikeway wayfinding signs in spring 2024.
- Conducted traffic counts on Cushman Road, Dudleyville Road, Montague Road, Shutesbury Road, and Two-Mile Road, including intersection-turning movement counts at the intersection of Cushman Road and Shutesbury Road.
- Evaluated a sample of the municipally maintained gravel roads for stormwater and drainage issues to assist in creating an Unpaved Road Field Assessment Form.
- Participated in the National Park Service's development of a foundation document for the New England National Scenic Trail.
- Assisted the town to initiate participation in the Massachusetts Complete Streets Funding Program.