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## 2024 YEAR-END REPORT TO THE TOWN OF BERKLEY FROM THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE SOUTHEASTERN REGIONAL PLANNING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT (SRPEDD)

The Town of Berkley is a member of the Southeastern Regional Planning and Economic Development District. Originally founded in 1956, SRPEDD (pronounced "sir-ped") is one of 13 regional planning agencies (RPAs) across the state and one of approximately 550 across the country.

SRPEDD serves 4 cities and 23 towns in southeastern Massachusetts. Through our work, we address common issues facing the region, including economic development, growth and land use, safe and efficient transportation, environmental stewardship, municipal partnerships, community development and affordable housing, infrastructure needs, and general planning. A Commission of local mayors, selectmen, planning board members, and at-large members govern SRPEDD. Federal and state grants, local assessments, and local contracts fund our activities. In 2024, the Town of Berkley paid \$1,398.80 to SRPEDD, based upon an assessment of 20.68 cents per capita. SRPEDD's annual budget in 2024 was \$6,826,432.

SRPEDD also serves as the region's staff for the Southeastern Massachusetts Metropolitan Planning Organization (SMMPO) and the regional Economic Development District (EDD) with the U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA). SRPEDD staff also works with the Southeast Region Homeland Security Advisory Council (SRAC). In these roles, SRPEDD works with numerous partners to program tens of millions of dollars to directly invest in our region's infrastructure, safety and emergency preparedness, and community development.

Please visit SRPEDD's agency website at <a href="www.srpedd.org">www.srpedd.org</a> to review our work, read our <a href="www.srpedd.org">2024</a>
<a href="Annual Report">Annual Report</a>, and tour recent projects, including: our <a href="Comprehensive Economic Development">Comprehensive Economic Development</a>
<a href="Strategy">Strategy</a> (CEDS)</a>; our work to support communities as they comply with the <a href="new Section 3A of">new Section 3A of</a>
<a href="Chapter 40A">Chapter 40A</a>; our ongoing <a href="Regional Resilience Plan">Regional Resilience Plan</a>; our <a href="Climate Pollution Reduction Grant">Climate Pollution Reduction Grant</a>
<a href="General Center">(CPRG)</a> and diverse <a href="Environmental Planning work program">Environmental Planning work program</a>; our <a href="Regional Transportation Plan">Regional Transportation Plan</a>; our <a href="Complete Streets For All (SS4A)">Complete Streets</a> and <a href="Multi-Use Path">Multi-Use Path</a> transportation projects; our <a href="Safe Streets For All (SS4A)">Safe Streets For All (SS4A)</a>
<a href="Action Plan">Action Plan</a>; our work with <a href="Safe Streets For All (SS4A)">SAFE Streets For All (SS4A)</a>
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<a href="Active Shooter/Hostile Event">Action Plan</a>; our collaboration with communities to update <a href="Priority Development Area">Priority Development Area</a> (PDA) and <a href="Priority Protection Area">Priority Protection Area</a> (PPA) designations; and various municipal projects, such as <a href="Redevelopment Studies">Redevelopment Studies</a>, <a href="Business and Marketing Guides">Business and Marketing Guides</a>, <a href="Community Master Plans">Community Master Plans</a>, and <a href="Open Space">Open Space</a> and Recreation

Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions, concerns, or project ideas.

## Local citizens/officials representing Berkley in SRPEDD activities:

Steve Leary and Tabitha McCrohan on the SRPEDD Commission.

Joseph Callahan and Tabitha McCrohan on the Joint Transportation Planning Group (JTPG).

## In 2024, SRPEDD provided technical assistance to Berkley in the following areas; please note that funding sources and project web pages are provided, where available:

Project Name	Funding Source(s)	More Information
Green Communities	DOER	https://srpedd.org/environment/climate-resilience-
Program Assistance		planning/green-communities/
	CDC DITA 144	https://srpedd.org/comprehensive-
Master Plan	CPG, DLTA, MA	planning/community-master-plans/acushnet-master-
		plan/
Berkley Dighton Bridge, South, Elm, Main, Padelford, Porter and Myricks Analysis	MassDOT	-
Traffic Counts completed on multiple roads. (details available by request)	MassDOT	-

## Highlights from SRPEDD's 2024 General Work Program include the following:

Project Name	Funding Source(s)	More Information
Arts and Culture Community Development Initiative	DLTA	https://srpedd.org/justice-equity-and-community-development/arts-and-culture/
Assawompset Ponds Watershed Plan Priority Action Implementation	DER, TNC	https://srpedd.org/environment/watershed- planning/apc-nemasket-river-watershed- management-and-climate-action-plan/
Brownfields Community Wide Assessment Grant	ЕРА	https://srpedd.org/environment/brownfields-redevelopment/
Bus Stop Capital Investment Plan	MassDOT	https://srpedd.org/transportation/public-transit/
Bus Stop Inventory Update	MassDOT	-

Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG)	U.S. EPA	https://srpedd.org/cprg/
Coastal Resilience Project Planning Support	NOAA, Mass Audubon	
District Local Techincal Assistance (DLTA) and DLTA - Augmentation (project development and grant-writing)	SRPEDD	www.srpedd.org/DLTA
FFY20 Homeland Security Program and Project Management	MAPC	https://srpedd.org/homeland-security/
FFY21 Homeland Security Program and Project Management	MAPC	https://srpedd.org/homeland-security/
FFY22 Homeland Security Program and Project Management	MAPC	https://srpedd.org/homeland-security/
Freight Action Plan	MassDOT	https://srpedd.org/freight-action-plan/
Green Communities  – Annual Reports and Competitive and Designation Grant Applications	EOEEA	https://srpedd.org/environment/climate-resilience-planning/green-communities/
Joint Transportation Planning Group (JTPG)	MassDOT	https://srpedd.org/transportation/regional- transportation-planning/jtpg/

Justice, Equity, and Community Development (JECD) Initiative	DLTA	https://srpedd.org/justice-equity-and-community-development/
Mass. Assn. of Regional Planning Commissions (MARPA)	RPAs	https://massmarpa.org/
Massachusetts Broadband Institute (MBI) Asset Mapping and Digital Equity Planning Enrollment	MassTech/MBI	www.srpedd.org/Digital-Equity
MBTA Multi-Family Zoning Support	DLTA, EOHLC	www.srpedd.org/MBTA-Communities
Open Space Residential Design (OSRD) Regional Study	EOEEA	https://srpedd.org/environment/osrd/
Pavement Management - Fed. Aid Road Network	MassDOT	https://srpedd.org/transportation/transportation- infrastructure/#pavement-management
PDA/PPA Update for MBTA Communities	MBTA, DLTA	www.srpedd.org/Priority-Areas
Regional Evacuation Route Study	MassDOT	-
Regional Pedestrian Plan	MassDOT	https://srpedd.org/transportation/bicycle-and-pedestrian-networks/
Regional Stormwater Management	USM/U.S. EPA, NBEP	-

Planning and Technical Assistance		
Rural Community Section 3A Compliance	EOHLC	www.srpedd.org/MBTA-Communities
Rural Policy Advisory Council	DLTA, sister RPAs	https://www.mass.gov/service-details/rural-policy-advisory-commission-rpac
Safe Streets For All (SS4A) Action Plan	U.S. DOT/MassDOT	https://srpedd.org/transportation/ss4a-safety-action-plan/
South Coast Administrators Committee	SRPEDD	-
South Coast Bikeway Technical Assistance	MassDOT	-
Southeastern Massachusetts Metropolitan Planning Organization (SMMPO)	MassDOT	https://srpedd.org/transportation/regional-transportation-planning/smmpo/
Southern New England Program (SNEP) Network Technical Assistance Provider	USM/U.S. EPA	https://srpedd.org/environment/snep-network-projects/
SRPEDD Regional Resilience Plan (SRRP)	DLTA, CCC EDA, MassDOT	https://srpedd.org/regional-resilience-plan/
Taunton River Trail	MassDOT	-

Technical Assistance Planning and GIS	GATRA	https://srpedd.org/transportation/public-transit/
Title VI Program Report	MassDOT	https://srpedd.org/title-vi-compliance/
Traffic Counting and Turning Movement Counts	MassDOT	https://srpedd.org/transportation/transportation-infrastructure/traffic-counting/
Trails Mapping (Off Road)	MassDOT	https://srpedd.org/transportation/bicycle-and- pedestrian-networks/regional-trails-mapping-project/
Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Workshop	MassDOT	https://srpedd.org/transportation/regional- transportation-planning/