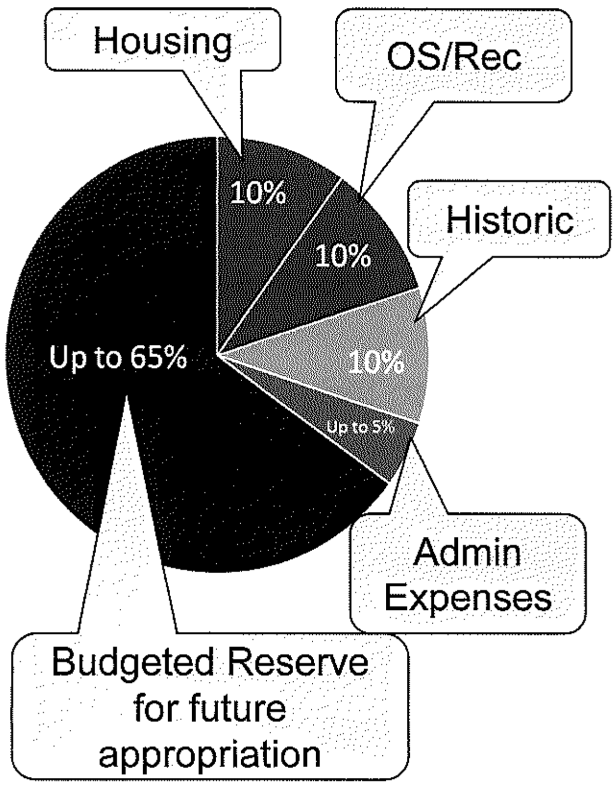
Pelham's Community Preservation Update, May 10, 2025

Every year, as approved by Pelham voters in 2011, the 3% Community Preservation Local Surcharge is included and itemized in your tax bill.

Last November, Pelham received a State Match of $96,574. The State Match, which is usually equal to the local surcharge, combined with the collected local surcharge creates the Pelham Community Preservation Act (CPA) revenue.

Inside you will find how these revenues are ***reserved*** for the 3 CPA categories, and how those reserves have been appropriated, i.e., ***encumbered,*** by Town Meeting to fund various projects that help to preserve our community.

How Annual CPA Revenues are Reserved



Members of Pelham's Community Preservation Committee (CPC)

Joe Larson, Jim Lumley
Barbara Cooper, Cyd Reiman
Richard Seelig, Anne Stoddard
Tom Fanning

Please Join Us on May 15!

The annual Public Hearing to voice your ideas for the use of our Community Preservation Act funds.

Ramsdell Room at the Pelham Library
7:15pm

Possible Project Ideas

Open Space/Recreation

1. Land in NW Pelham
2. Creation of town common
3. Town park with picnic tables and grills
4. Pickleball or basketball court
5. Bridge over brook at Amethyst Brook Apts

Historic Resources

1. Repair the cemetery stone walls

Community Housing

1. Housing or moderated apts on town owned land or in Village Center

CPA Funds Reserved for Future Projects

Open Space/Recreation - $110,393
Historic Resources - $111,643
Community Housing - $33,000
Undesignated & Reserve - $336,268

CPA Funds Encumbered for Specific Projects

Open Space/Recreation

- Community Garden - $4,541
- Design of Playground Upgrade - $9,500
- Upgrade of A-P High School Track - $99,000

Historic Resources

- Documentation of Historic Buildings - $2,737
- Old Town Hall Lightning Protection - $8,590

Community Housing

- Amethyst Brook Apartments - $500,000

Local CPA Surcharge Calculation for Pelham Residents

Four Step Process

Refer to your fiscal year real estate bill from the Tax Collector

Step 1: Subtract $100k from your assessed property value.

Step 2: Convert that value to the number of thousands, i.e., divide that value by 1000.

Step 3: Multiply the number of thousands by the tax rate per $1000 shown on the real estate bill.

Step 4: Find 3% of that result. This is your local CPA surcharge for the year.

Source: https://www.communitypreservation.org/funding