

COMMUNITY GOALS

The most recent expression of general community goals by the Town of Walpole is the preparation of the Community Action Statement (CAS) in 1994. While some activity has taken place since the completion of that document, the following community goals (and their component parts) are derived from the five "needs" identified in the CAS. They are as follows:

Goal 1 -- Strategic Planning for Growth Management and Economic Development

Components: Master Plan and Open Space Plan updates
 Identification of Park/Open Space zoning districts
 East Walpole Strategic Plan
 Determination of future public water supply and demand
 Review of aquifer protection zoning in terms of performance standards
 Update of Sewer Master Plan to be consistent with zoning and development trends
 Space needs study for education and public safety
 Library needs study
 Fire services needs study

Goal 2 -- Municipal Fiscal Management

Components: Upgraded computer hardware and software
 Fully-integrated Geographic Information System (GIS)
 Improved bond rating
 Funding commitment to Walpole by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Goal 3 -- Cleanup of the Neponset River Watershed

Components: Sewer extensions within existing developed areas
 Repair/renovation of Neponset River dams
 Cleanup of contaminated industrial property (Bird and Shaffer)
 Land and/or development rights acquisition for water quality protection and recreation use
 Improved walking and bicycle trails

