



ASHFIELD SENIOR SERVICES OPEN FORUM

Needs & Affordability



FY2019 Priority Items

- \$37,000 **Broadband** (=> Contingency = \$230,000)
- \$100,000 **Bridges** (=> Reserve = \$155,000)
- \$50,000 **Town Hall** Steeple/Bldg Repairs (=> Reserve ~ \$120,000; new estimate for steeple = \$248,000)
- \$40,000 **Belding Library** Roof Repair
- \$28,000 **Salary Adjustments** (1st yr of 2-yr phase-in for internal & external equity)
- \$100,000 Highway Dump Truck (DE for remaining \$100,000)
- \$50,000 Fire Dept. Pumper/Tanker Truck
- \$15,000 Senior Center Expansion Fund

FY2020 CAPITAL



APPROPRIATED EXPENDITURES

Town Hall Repairs/Maintenance	20,000
Highway - Loader	140,000
Highway - Bridge Related Work	25,000
Transfer Station Improvements	75,000
Fire - Pumper/Tanker Truck	25,000
Police Cruiser	25,000
Belding Library Projects	9,000
Veterans Memorial	6,000
Total	325,000



FY2020 FALL FUNDING CONSIDERATIONS

- Transfer Station - \$50,000
- Bridges - \$50,000
- Senior Center - \$15,000
- Town Hall - \$50,000
- Library - \$47,500
- Lake Dam Maintenance - \$35,000



What does Ashfield need?

- **Senior housing:** Other towns in the region already have or currently are planning housing designated specifically for seniors. What about Ashfield?
- **Support to “age-in-place”:** Many seniors hope to be able to stay in their current home as long as possible. Is this something Do Ashfield seniors wishes to consider services to help them age-in-place, and if so, what could the town do to support it?
- **Senior Center:** Do Ashfield residents support the town sharing ownership of a Center in Shelburne or would they prefer a different option?



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- **Outreach services:** What types of services are needed in order to reach out to Ashfield seniors, especially those in outlying locations?
- **Transportation:** What types of transportation would benefit Ashfield seniors?
- **Health and Wellness:** Are there ways in which Ashfield can help our seniors remain healthy and well?
- **Location(s) of Services:** Where do seniors want to go for services? Is distance from home an issue? Would it help if more services were available in town, or even at home? What other issues exist related to the location of services for seniors?