

Woodbridge Moves Forward—Progress & the Road Ahead

As we approach the midpoint of 2025 and the start of the new 2026 fiscal year, I want to take a moment to reflect on the great progress we've made together as a community.

First, let me begin by announcing that at the Annual Town Meeting, residents voted to approve a Land Lease Agreement with Greenskies Clean Energy for a solar facility at the Transfer Station, and the Board of Finance adopted the FY2026 Budget of \$61,095,758, with a 4.78% tax increase and set our mill rate at 32.62.

Now, on to progress. When I took office last year, the newly elected Board of Selectmen and I identified a **clear set of goals and projects** that we felt were essential for the future of Woodbridge. Our key areas of focus were:

- **Building Momentum on Infrastructure,**
- **Pursuing and Acting on Transformative Investments,**
- **Planning for Tomorrow.**

I am proud to report that progress has been made on many projects in these areas of business all while **navigating a challenging year**.

Through the **incredible efforts of our volunteer boards, commissions, and committees** along with **outstanding work of our town departments**, and the participation of our resi-



dents, many projects have been completed or are near completion including: the Fire Dept. Storage and Training Facility, the new Community and Cultural Center, and Town Center sidewalks and dark sky lighting. In 2026, groundbreaking is expected for the Connectivity Project in the business district. The Beecher Road Feasibility Project, the 2025 Plan of Conservation and Development, and the CCW Master Plan are also being finalized.

There are so many things about Woodbridge to celebrate. This year **Westward Road** was designated a Scenic Road, our **first-ever Poet Laureate** was appointed by our Library Commission, over 1,500 residents enjoyed **Earth Day**, and **Woodbridge Like Me Day** held its first Runway Show celebrating the incredible diversity of our community.

What others might see as "Little Things", I know are central to Woodbridge's identity, community spirit, and everything that makes our town feel like home.

For a full update on all the above projects and even the "Little Things", go to the [First Selectman's Office page](#) on the Town website at woodbridge.org

The collaboration and engagement of our residents and neighbors will keep Woodbridge moving forward—let's work together.

~ First Selectman Mica Cardozo

Connectivity Project—Community Open House

On Monday, June 16 at 6:30 pm, the Woodbridge 2030 Task Force will host a Community Open House to share information and provide an update on the Town's Connectivity Project. The event will be held at Crest Lincoln of Woodbridge located at 185 Amity Road.

The Connectivity Project, led by 2030 Task Force members, kicked-off in the fall of 2022 with concentration on making the Town's business district more attractive for businesses and consumers. Pedestrian and cycling infrastructure have been a key area of focus with planning for sidewalks, light posts, and crosswalks. Ideas and input from Woodbridge residents and business owners that attended the initial three public meetings, along with public surveys, helped to conceptualize the project and to formulate a project plan.

At the Community Open House, the infrastructure design and steps to finalize the Connectivity Project will be reviewed.

The project design is at 30% completion with groundbreaking expected to begin in the first half of 2026. Funds have been awarded to the Town through the Local Transportation Capital Improvement Program (LOTCIP) Grant to cover infrastructure construction cost for the project.

Woodbridge residents, businesses and other interested parties are invited and encouraged to attend this important public session to share input and offer feedback.

Community engagement is important. The next public information session will take place when the project design is at 60% completion. Once this project design milestone is reached, the public meeting date will be announced.

The [Connectivity Master Plan for the Woodbridge Business District](#) may be viewed on the 2030 Task Force page on the Town website.

Important Dates!

June 5 (Thu.) Celebrate 06525! Save this date to celebrate Woodbridge at Pease Park, 3:30-6 pm. See detail on page 2.
June 16 (Mon.): Connectivity Project Open House at Crest Lincoln of Woodbridge at 6:30 pm. See event details above.
June 20 (Fri.) Clinic for Measle Vaccine & COVID Booster at The Woodbridge Center, 12-3 pm. See page 3.

~ June is Dog License Month. See details on page 2. ~

~ Woodbridge Taxes as due July 1. See information on page 2. ~

~ Bulk Collection ended for the spring and will resume in October & November. Call 203-389-3420 with questions. ~

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The Center Father's Day Celebration

Bring your best “dad jokes” to share as we celebrate all dads on Thursday, June 12, from 12-1 pm!

Chicken parmesan with pasta and a vegetable will be served along with The Center’s traditional root beer floats. Live music will be provided by local CT State Troubadour, Pierce Campbell. **Visiting Angels of Woodbridge** is sponsoring this event to help defray costs. RSVP by June 5 to The Center at 203-389-3430.

For a full list of programs and events or for general information, stop by The Center, call 203-389-3430, or email kmoriarty@woodbridgect.org.



New this summer! Woodbridge Recreation is now offering **Kindergarten Summer Camp** to campers entering kindergarten in the fall. Camp will run June 23 to August 1, 9 am - noon at Beecher Road South School. The fee is \$140 per week. Register via the QR code on the right or call 203-389-3446.

Recreation Office Summer Hours

From June 23 to August 1, office hours are Monday-Friday, 7 am - 3 pm.

School may be finished for the summer, but the library is just getting started! We’ve got an exciting summer full of events, activities, resources available for the whole community to enjoy.

Of course it wouldn’t be summer without Summer Reading, and the Woodbridge Town Library has fun things planned for both kids and adults. Check out our events calendar at woodbridgetownlibrary.libcal.com (or scan the QR code) for a full list of exciting summer events and performances for all ages. Be sure to sign up early to reserve your spots!

Starting Monday, June 16, stop by the children’s desk to pick up a reading log.

Human Services Programs

Human Services hosted Volunteer Income Tax Services (VITA) again this year, providing free tax assistance for almost 150 local residents. Recently, Woodbridge was commended at a volunteer appreciation event for providing excellent services. Many thanks to the VITA volunteers: Vincent, Mariano, June, Marvin, Bruce, and Sue!

Human Services will host a clinic to provide measles vaccines and COVID boosters on **Tuesday, June 20 in The Woodbridge Center from 12-3 pm**. Valley Pharmacy staff will assist at the clinic and provide vaccines.

Please call 203-389-3429 to schedule an appointment.

First Selectman's Youth Award

The 2025 Youth Award winner Benjamin Miranda, son of James Miranda and Judi Young, received the honor from First Selectman Mica Cardozo on May 13 for his many contributions to the Woodbridge community. The Beth-Wood Baseball League awarded Ben a \$200 check. Ben volunteers at the Jewish Community Center’s Café J where he mentors adults with disabilities. He displays leadership through his involvement in the BBYO and the Woodbridge Youth Advisory Board. Ben works within Youth Services Job Bank and encourages kids in sports programs at the Woodbridge Recreation Dept. He enjoys playing on the Amity High School Lacrosse team. We congratulate Benjamin for his honorable efforts and wish him success.



Recreation News



The Fitness Center is open!

To sign up for a membership, scan the QR code or stop by the Rec Office. Center hours are: Mon-Fri., 9 am to noon; Mon., Wed., & Fri., 4-9 pm; Tue. & Thu., 6-9 pm; and Sat. & Sun., 8 am to noon.



Starting July 1, Summer Concerts take place each Tuesday in July at 6 pm on the Green! Listen to music and grab a bite to eat from one of the food trucks. Check out weekly performances on our [website](#).

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Fill it out and hand it in at the end of the summer to get a free book! Be sure to also pick up a summer reading checklist! For every task you complete, earn a ticket that can be entered into our summer reading raffle. Raffle winners will be announced at the end of the summer.

Summer Reading isn’t just for kids!



This year, starting June 1 through August 31, adults who post photos of their summer reads and tag us on social media will be entered in a drawing for a prize! You can find us on Instagram **@woodbridgetownlibrary** and on Facebooks **@woodbridge.town.library**.

We can’t wait to see what you’re reading!

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