

To: The Community Preservation Committee  
From: Colleen Corona, Chair, Board of Selectmen  
Date: January 13, 2010

RE: Recommendation to Fund Affordable Housing Trust Action Plan

Dear Community Preservation Committee Members:

At its meeting on December 21, 2009, the Easton Board of Selectmen voted to support the Affordable Housing Trust's application for CPA funds to implement the recommendations of the Affordable Housing Trust Action Plan (December 2009). The creation and preservation of affordable housing in Easton is an important goal of the Board of Selectmen, and the actions recommended in the Affordable Housing Plan represent a thoughtful consideration of local needs and preferences.

Many communities across the Commonwealth have successfully used CPA funds to support programs that connect residents to existing programs, allow residents to stay in their homes, and preserve the character of the Town. The Selectmen urge the Community Preservation Committee to vote to support the application of the Affordable Housing Trust. This will allow the Trust to use a combination of Community Housing Reserve funds and Administration funds, to accomplish the goals of the Plan and to support Easton's families in need.

Sincerely,

Colleen Corona  
Easton Board of Selectmen Chair