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Community Preservation Committee  
Town of Belmont

**CPA Funding - Preliminary Application**

Ten copies of the completed Preliminary Application must be submitted to the following address by no later than 7:00PM on Monday, October 10, 2022:

Community Preservation Committee  
c/o Matthew Haskell, CPA Administrator  
Office of the Select Board  
Belmont Town Hall  
455 Concord Avenue  
Belmont, MA 02478

*Unless an applicant can demonstrate that a significant opportunity would otherwise be lost, preliminary applications will not be accepted after the submission deadline.*

Project Title Conservation Fund  
Project Location Town of Belmont  
Applicant/Contact Person Mary Trudeau, Conservation Agent  
Organization Belmont Conservation Commission  
Mailing Address Homer Bldg; 19 Moore Street, Belmont, MA 02478  
Telephone 617 993 2667 E-mail mtrudeau@belmont-ma.gov  
Signature Mary Trudeau Date October 3, 2022

CPA Category (refer to chart on the following page and check all that apply):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Community Housing     | <input type="checkbox"/> Historic Preservation |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Open Space | <input type="checkbox"/> Recreation            |

Amount Requested \$50,000.00

Total Project Cost undetermined

Applicants will present their projects at the **CPC Public Meeting on November 9, 2022** and address questions from Belmont residents. It is required that information about the project be in writing and copied for distribution and review at the Public Meeting. This is also an opportunity for project sponsors to ask the CPC any questions regarding the application process.

### **Brief Description of Project**

Include the address/location and current owner of the property, as well as any critical dates. Please attach supplemental information (photographs, drawings, documents, etc.) as desired

The Belmont Conservation Fund will be used solely for the future acquisition of land for allowable CPA purposes, and to place deed restrictions on any such acquisitions as required by the CPA Act Legislation.

Conservation funds are authorized by the Conservation Commission Act (G.L. Ch40, s.8c) and created by a vote of Town Meeting. A Conservation Fund is a dedicated account established by a municipality to ensure that the Conservation Commission can have cash that can be spent towards the purchase of land, without requiring further authorization to initiate a transaction. This type of fund allows for speed and flexibility in land acquisition process, particularly important in a municipality with competitive real estate transactions. The Fund is not designed to bypass the traditional CPA review process, but rather to allow for a quick, initial response to opportunities that may arise in Belmont.

### **Brief Description of Benefit**

How does the project fulfill the General and Specific Criteria of the Community Preservation Committee Guidelines?

The establishment of a Conservation Fund will facilitate the acquisition of Open Space (and/or Conservation Restrictions) by providing a readily available source of monies. The use of these funds is limited to the acquisition of land, or development rights, for CPA purposes.