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2022 YEAR-END REPORT TO THE CITY OF NEW BEDFORD FROM THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE SOUTHEASTERN REGIONAL PLANNING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT (SRPEDD)

The City of New Bedford is a member of the Southeastern Regional Planning and Economic Development District. Originally founded in 1956, SRPEDD (pronounced “sir-ped”) is one of 13 regional planning agencies (RPAs) across the state and one of approximately 550 across the country.

SRPEDD serves 4 cities and 23 towns in southeastern Massachusetts. Through our work, we address common issues facing the region, including economic development, growth and land use, safe and efficient transportation, environmental stewardship, municipal partnerships, community development and affordable housing, and general planning. A Commission of local mayors, selectmen, planning board members, and at-large members govern SRPEDD. Federal and state grants, local assessments, and local contracts fund our activities. In 2022, the City of New Bedford paid \$18,710.17 to SRPEDD, based upon an assessment of 20.17 cents per capita. SRPEDD’s annual budget in 2022 was \$2,720,262.

SRPEDD also serves as the region’s staff for the Southeastern Massachusetts Metropolitan Planning Organization ([SMMPO](#)) and the regional Economic Development District ([EDD](#)) with the U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA). In both roles, SRPEDD works with numerous partners to program tens of millions of dollars to directly invest in our region’s infrastructure and community development.

Please visit SRPEDD’s recently updated agency website at www.srpedd.org to review our work, read our [2022 Annual Report](#), and tour new projects, including: our [Drone Program](#) and [Virtual Building Tours](#); our work to support communities as they comply with the [new Section 3A of Chapter 40A](#); our [watershed](#) and [resilience](#) planning work program; our [Complete Streets](#) and [Multi-Use Path](#) transportation projects; our work with the Southeastern Region Homeland Security Advisory Council ([SRAC](#)); our work with school districts and public safety officials to create [Active Shooter/Hostile Event \(ASHE\) Response Tools](#); and various municipal projects, such as [Redevelopment Studies](#) and [Community Master Plans](#). Our website also includes departmental web pages, a calendar of events, and recent news.

Please do not hesitate to [contact us](#) with any questions, concerns, or project ideas.

Local citizens/officials representing New Bedford in SRPEDD activities:

Jamie Ponte, Jennifer Carlino, and Ashley Easton (At-Large) on the SRPEDD Commission.

Stephanie A. Crampton and Justin Chicca on the Joint Transportation Planning Group (JTPG).

In 2022, SRPEDD provided technical assistance to New Bedford in the following areas; please note that funding sources and project web pages are provided, where available:

Project Name	Funding Source(s)	More Information
North Terminal Extension Phase II and Pier Fendering Project	EDA	
Open Space and Recreation Plan Update	Local	
TOD Market Study, Zoning, and Design Guidelines	DLTA, Local, MBTA	https://srpedd.org/comprehensive-planning/technical-assistance/new-bedford-transit-oriented-development-study/
Traffic counts on several roadways (details available by request)	MassDOT	

Highlights from SRPEDD's general 2022 Work Program include the following:

Project Name	Funding Source(s)	More Information
Agriculture Retention Workshops	DLTA	
Arts and Culture Community Development Initiative	DLTA	https://srpedd.org/justice-equity-and-community-development/arts-and-culture/
Assawompset Ponds Flood Management Program	DER	https://srpedd.org/comprehensive-planning/environment/watershed-planning/assawompset-ponds-complex-and-nemasket-river-watershed-planning/
Assawompset Ponds Groundwater Hydrologic & Hydraulic Study	DER	
Brownfield Community Wide Assessment Grant	EPA	https://srpedd.org/environment/brownfields-redevelopment/

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Bus Stop Capital Investment Plan	MassDOT	https://srpedd.org/transportation/public-transit/
Bus Stop Inventory Update	MassDOT	
CARES Act/COVID-19 U.S. EDA Technical Assistance	SRPEDD, U.S. EDA	
Cranberry Bog Program Technical Assistance	DER	
FEMA Flood Map Bylaw Update	SRPEDD	
FFY20 Homeland Security Program and Project Management	MAPC	https://srpedd.org/homeland-security/
FFY21 Homeland Security Program and Project Management	MAPC	https://srpedd.org/homeland-security/
Freight Action Plan	MassDOT	https://srpedd.org/freight-action-plan/
Green Communities – Annual Reports and Competitive and Designation Grant Applications	EOEEA	https://srpedd.org/environment/climate-resilience-planning/green-communities/
Justice, Equity, and Community Development (JECD) Initiative	DLTA	https://srpedd.org/justice-equity-and-community-development/
Mass. Assoc. of Regional Planning Commissions (MARPA)	RPAs	
MBTA Multi-Family Zoning Support	DLTA, DHCD	

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Old Rochester Regional High School Active Shooter Response Job-Aid Tool	DLTA	https://srpedd.org/homeland-security/ashe-response/
Pavement Management - Federal Aid Road Network	MassDOT	https://srpedd.org/transportation/transportation-infrastructure/#pavement-management
PDA/PPA Update for MBTA Communities	MBTA, DLTA	
Regional Housing Services Office Feasibility Study	DLTA, MassHousing	https://srpedd.org/comprehensive-planning/housing/regional-housing-services-office/
RTP Continuous Public Outreach	MassDOT	https://srpedd.org/transportation/regional-transportation-planning/regional-transportation-plan-rtp/
Rural Policy Advisory Council	DLTA, sister RPAs	https://www.mass.gov/service-details/rural-policy-advisory-commission-rpac
South Coast Administrators Committee	SRPEDD	
SRPEDD Regional Resilience Plan (SRRP)	DLTA , CCC EDA, MassDOT	
Taunton River Stewardship Council Upper Nemasket Implementation	TRSC	
Taunton River Trail	MassDOT	
Taunton Watershed Pilot Project	SNEP, Mass-Audubon	https://srpedd.org/comprehensive-planning/environment/watershed-planning/#ongoing-watershed-projects

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Technical Assistance Planning and GIS	GATRA	https://srpedd.org/transportation/public-transit/
Traffic Counting and Turning Movement Counts	MassDOT	https://srpedd.org/transportation/transportation-infrastructure/traffic-counting/
Trails Mapping (Off Road)	MassDOT	https://srpedd.org/transportation/bicycle-and-pedestrian-networks/regional-trails-mapping-project/