

## TOWN OF WESTWOOD

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

## OFFICE OF TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Michael A. Jaillet

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In accordance with the requirements of title II of the Americans with the requirements of title II of the Americans with the property of 1990 ("ADA"), the Town of Westwood will not discriminate against humanited individuals with disabilities on the basis of disability in its services, programs, or activities.

**Employment:** The Town of Westwood does not discriminate on the basis of disability in its hiring or employment practices and complies with all regulations promulgated by the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission under title I of the ADA.

**Communications:** The Town of Westwood will generally, upon request, provide appropriate aids and services leading to effective communication for qualified persons with disabilities so they can participate equally in Town of Westwood programs, services, and activities, including qualified sign language interpreters, documents in Braille, and other ways of making information and communication accessible to people who have speech, hearing, or vision impairments.

Modifications to Policies and Procedures: The Town of Westwood will make all reasonable modifications to policies and programs to ensure that people with disabilities have an equal opportunity to enjoy all of the its program, services and activities. For example, individuals with service animals are welcomes in the Town of Westwood offices, even where pets are generally prohibited. Anyone who requires an auxiliary aid or service for effective communication, or a modification to policies or procedures to participate in a program, service, or activity of the Town of Westwood, should contact the office the ADA Coordinator as soon as possible but no later than 48 hours before the scheduled event. The ADA does not require the Town of Westwood take any action that would fundamentally alter the nature of its programs or services, or impose an undue financial or administrative burden. Complaints that a program, service or activity of the Town of Westwood is not accessible to persons with disabilities should be directed to the ADA Coordinator. The Town of Westwood will not place a surcharge on a particular individual with a disability or any group of individuals with disabilities to cover the cost of providing auxiliary aids/services or reasonable modifications of policy, such as retrieving items from locations that are open to the public but are not accessible to persons who use wheelchairs.

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