TAXES

Although no one likes paying taxes, the revenue they generate is essential for communities to provide services, such as schools, libraries, wastewater treatment, and fire service for the residents, businesses and visitors.

Property taxes are a percentage of the value of property in the community. The amount is based on the total funds needed to cover all the services the town provides. This total cost is then spread among the property tax payers.

CAPE COD TAX FACTS

Cape Cod residents make up only 3.24% of the state’s population but the property values for single family homes are over 10% of the state’s total valuation.

Cape Cod provided $756.3 million to the state in tax revenue in 2010. Annually, the Cape Cod towns receive $33.7 million in unrestricted local aid.

The average reported Cape Cod single family parcel is valued at over $450,000.

Single family tax bills in 2013 on Cape Cod range from $2,388 to $5,482. The average tax bill on Cape Cod as reported in 2013 is $3,818.