

Welcome

# to Plymouth Massachusetts "Americas Hometown"

When you think of Plymouth, immediately, most Americans recollect the story of the pilgrims' voyage across the Atlantic aboard the Mayflower, and their landing at Plymouth Rock. But today, Plymouth Rock is just one of the historic sites that depict the age old story of Plymouth's rich heritage. When you visit our Town, you will learn about more than the pilgrim voyage. Plymouth is a diverse and unique community with 30 miles of beautiful coastline with safe harbors, scenic vistas and bustling village centers teeming with activity.

Plymouth's many villages serve as a hub of activity for our guest and residents. With quaint shops and restaurants you can find anything you need right around the corner. Aside from an impeccable quality of life, Plymouth is also a world renowned tourist destination and home to many international companies. In the past seven years Plymouth has experienced more growth and expansion both commercially and residentially than it has in the previous 50 years.

Presently, Plymouth is only at the two thirds mark in its town wide build-out capacity leaving plenty of room for your next project. With approximately 103 square miles of land mass, Plymouth stands as the largest municipality in the Northeast with a unique mix of industry and award winning residential developments.

With all of this, the Town of Plymouth continues to maintain its small town charm. We offer our visitors from across the country to around the globe a chance to experience part of the United States' early history as well as New England's seasonal charm. We invite you to experience all that Plymouth, "America's Hometown", has to offer for your relocation plans whether it's business or a place to call home. It's all here in Plymouth Massachusetts.

*picturesque harbors  
historic lighthouses  
whale watching  
golf courses  
acres of cranberry bogs*



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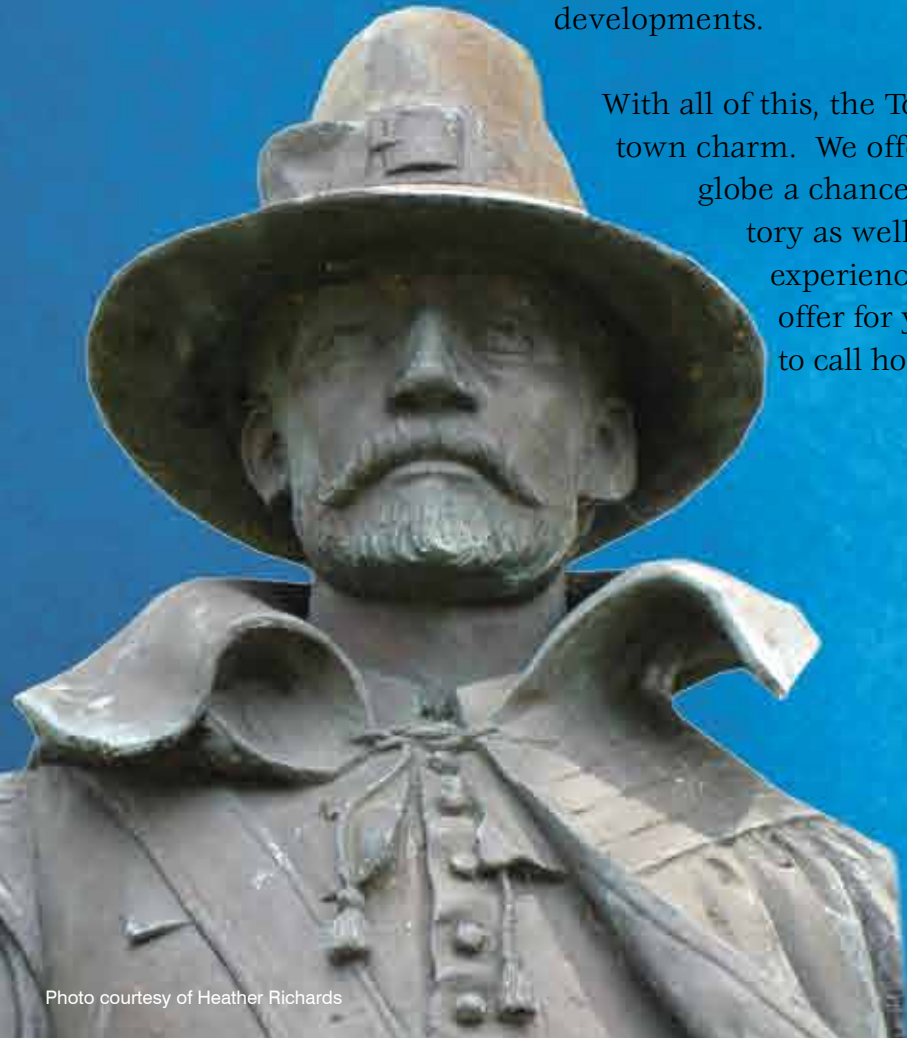


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## Plymouth Town Government

The Town of Plymouth continues to operate today with one of the oldest and most democratic forms of government established in America, the representative Town Meeting form of Governance. The Chief elected officials within this form of government are the five Selectmen representing the entire Town, including the five villages of North Plymouth, West Plymouth, Historic Plymouth Center, Cedarville and Manomet.

Other elected positions include the Plymouth School Committee, the Plymouth Planning Board, the Redevelopment Authority, the Housing Authority as well as each representative Town Meeting Member.

The day to day operations of the Town are managed by professional staff under the direction of the Plymouth Town Managers Office. In total there are thirty six separate Town Departments and forty eight separate Boards and Committees with appointed volunteers.

The Town of Plymouth today remains as the seat of Plymouth County Government. The preamble to the Plymouth Town Charter states the following which best summarizes the intent of the Town Charters establishment as well as the liberties sought by our forefathers:

*We, the people of the Town of Plymouth, Massachusetts, in order to reaffirm the customary and traditional liberties of the people with respect to the conduct of our local government and to take the fullest advantages inherent in the home rule amendment of the constitution of the Commonwealth, do hereby adopt the following home rule charter for this town.*



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