## DRAFT VISION STATEMENT

In 2026, Dunstable is a tranquil community with a high quality of life, reflective of the town's commitment to protecting the community character and its historic heritage. The bucolic rural landscape is the result of the town's efforts to promote and protect agricultural resources and enterprises. Planning and development regulations include design guidance that preserves and safeguards the historic and architectural quality of Dunstable historic buildings and landscapes.

The town's economy is strong, providing services and employment opportunities for town residents, as well as the revenues needed to fund municipal services. The town enjoys a quality school system and a well-run municipal government. Housing options are available for residents of all age groups and incomes.

Dunstable has an excellent and fully interconnected transportation system for pedestrians, bicyclists, and motor vehicles. Traffic calming measures have been implemented to manage vehicle speeds and "pass through" traffic in the Town Center and neighborhoods.

Dunstable residents embrace the concept of sustainability whereby natural resources and manmade features are well managed and wisely used so that they will be available for future generations. Renewable energy sources are available for governmental, residential and business users. The preservation of open space, water resources and wildlife habitat has resulted in high environmental quality, and allowed the town to maintain its rural character. Open Space and recreation facilities and programs serve the fitness and social needs of the entire community, and are well distributed, maintained, and accessible to everyone.

A "sense of community" is prevalent, and includes participation at community events, volunteerism, a cooperative spirit, and a strong sense of social connectedness. Residents and visitors enjoy and support the Town Center as an attractive, vibrant focal point where people gather and socialize.

