



# TOWN OF KENNEBUNKPORT, MAINE

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**Kick-off Meeting for Kennebunkport's Housing Needs Analysis  
Kennebunkport Growth Planning Committee  
Thursday, October 5, 2017 - 7:00 p.m.  
32 North Street, Kennebunkport FD Meeting Room**

Kennebunkport is slowly but surely becoming a victim of its own popularity and location. Due to its desirability, real estate values continue to rise making properties for Kennebunkport's workforce more and more unaffordable. It is estimated that two thirds of year round residents are unable to afford the median home price. The year round population continues to decrease, while our seasonal housing stock continues to increase. The vast majority of the workforce in Kennebunkport does not reside here. This issue affects a community's character and its vibrancy while our population becomes less and less diverse.

Last September the Town partnered with the Workforce Housing Coalition of the Greater Seacoast to host a Workforce Housing Design Charrette. What emerged from the Charette was a clear message from community members desiring more data to understand in greater detail Kennebunkport's housing needs.

The Town has partnered with Camoin Associates to perform a detailed Housing Needs Analysis and Assessment. Following the general direction given in the Comprehensive Plan as well as using the results of the 2016 Housing Charette the town is moving forward with this data driven analysis that incorporates stakeholder input, demographic, economic, assessments to assess housing needs in Kennebunkport over the next ten years and recommend strategies for meeting this need.

Please join us at 32 North Street on October 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:00PM or watch us on the local access channel as we introduce this study with the Growth Planning Committee. We welcome public input and participation and look forward to developing a meaningful report that will help guide Kennebunkport in addressing the future housing needs for its residents.