

# 2019 Town of Goffstown Report

## By Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission

The Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission (SNHPC) has a wide range of services and resources available to help member communities with a variety of land use planning and transportation challenges and concerns. Each year, with the approval of appointed representatives, the Commission's skilled staff designs and carries out programs of regional significance mandated by New Hampshire and federal laws or regulations, as well as local projects which pertain more exclusively to a specific community.

Often, Community Planning Boards, Conservation Commissions, and Governing Boards request assistance from SNHPC for traffic, pedestrian, and bicycle counts, grant assistance, specific studies, mapping, and facilitation services. Technical assistance is provided in a professional and timely manner as SNHPC carries out projects of common interest and benefit to all member communities; keeps officials apprised of changes in planning and land use regulations; and in conjunction with the New Hampshire Municipal Association, offers annual training workshops for Planning Board and Zoning Board members.

In 2019, it has been the Commission's pleasure to assist the Town of Goffstown with updating its master plan, conducting traffic counts, conducting bicycle/pedestrian counts on the Goffstown Rail Trail, and performing culvert assessments to inform the Regional Vulnerability Assessment. In partnership with VHB, SNHPC assisted town staff in its review of the construction of a roundabout on Rt. 114 at no additional cost to the Town.

The following outlined table details services performed for the Town of Goffstown during the past year and includes both hours worked specifically for the Town and for projects involving multiple municipalities. In the latter case, the total hours spent by SNHPC staff are divided equally by the number of communities, resulting in time allotment attributed to each of the communities. Examples of a regional project are the development of the New Hampshire Department of Transportation (NHDOT) Ten- Year Transportation Improvement Plan and the organization of a legislative event for NH Legislators and local officials in the SNHPC region.

No.	Hours	Project Description
1.	264.5	Worked with Town staff including the Planning Department, Goffstown TV, Planning Board, and Goffstown residents to update the Goffstown Master Plan, including administering surveys, public outreach, a public input session, and updating Master Plan chapters.
2.	87.4	Performed traffic counts at 21 sites in town.
3.	60.9	Conducted 3 culvert field assessment in the Town of Goffstown for ongoing development of the Regional Vulnerability Assessment, including meetings with road managers to discuss local risk factors and need for additional documentation of stream crossings; followed by SNHPC field survey of high-priority stream crossings.
4.	44.75	Worked with key planning staff in Town to offer assistance in conducting a complete streets demonstration during Goffstown Old Home Day.
5.	24.75	Assisted the town in reviewing operations and safety for the construction of a roundabout on Route 114; assistance included research on construction, right-of-way, and operational problems, initial scoping, calls and meetings with staff and VHB consultants.
6.	18.25	Met with DPW staff to introduce the SADES RSMS process and begin scoping project

		details.
7.	15.1	Conducted two bicycle/pedestrian counts on the Goffstown Rail Trail, analyzed and shared data with interested Town stakeholders.
8.	14.25	Assisted the town in reviewing developments of regional impact.
9.	8	Assisted the town in preparing for the 2020 Census by partaking in the Participant Statistical Area program, New Construction program, and statewide Complete Count Committee on behalf of the town.
10.	6	Participated in meeting with the NHDOT and the Town of Goffstown to scope a potential driveway/roadway entrance at the Henry Bridge Road signalized intersection, June 2019.
11.	4	Provided an informational seminar at the Goffstown Town Hall on Accessory Dwelling Units including information on approval and permitting, building codes, financing and best practices in construction management.
12.	84.8	Began the Congestion Management Process Plan update for the SNHPC region.
13.	33.2	Implemented the Becoming Age-Friendly Pilot Program Phase III and began Phase IV: Continued outreach and pilot program efforts with community representatives and staff. In November, SNHPC hosted a statewide forum on age-friendly housing opportunities in New Hampshire.
14.	31.2	Continued the development of the SNHPC Public Participation Plan.
15.	9.3	Provided staff support in conducting outreach to reorganize the Stark Byway Council after a multi-year hiatus.
16.	25.8	Compiled building permit data and certificate of occupancy permit records to record dwelling unit totals from all municipalities in the region;
17.	17.2	The FY 2019-2022 Transportation Improvement Program was developed and approved.
18.	12.6	Coordinated the establishment of regional transportation performance measures through Partnering for Performance NH (PFPNH) workgroup.
19.	12.6	Represented the Commission on the MS4 Storm Water Coalition and helped with regional coordination of MS4 efforts.
20.	12.3	Continued updating the SNHPC Regional Transportation Plan.
21.	11.6	Represented the interests of the Town on the Region 8 Regional Coordinating Council for the Statewide Coordination of Community Transportation Services Project.
22.	11.6	Provided assistance to Statewide Coordinating Council for Community Transportation (SCC).
23.	11	Conducted outreach to towns for the development of Road Safety Audit (RSA) and Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) funding applications to the NHDOT.
24.	9.7	Continued work with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Brownfields Region-wide Assessment Grant for environmental studies and investigations to help move contaminated sites to clean up, redevelopment and reuse.
25.	8.3	Provided monthly information to the Planning Board regarding upcoming meetings, project and grant updates, webinars and other training opportunities through the planning commission's quarterly Newsletters, monthly Media Blasts and periodic E-Bulletins.
26.	7	Coordinated with regional municipalities and the NHDOT to develop the 2019-2028 Ten-Year Transportation Improvement Plan.

27.	6.8	Participated in the Complete Streets Advisory Committee; organized a region-wide forum and provided feedback for the NHDOT State Bicycle/Pedestrian Plan.
28	6.3	Provided detailed analysis of survey results from the State Plan on Aging prepared by NHDHHS.
	6.2	Developed an interactive map of volunteer driver services in the State of New Hampshire.
	2.8	Continued updating the regional travel demand model, which is used to forecast traffic volumes on roads in throughout the region.
	1.5	Coordinated with the Partnering for Performance NH (PFPNH) workgroup to develop and adopt regional safety, infrastructure condition, and freight transportation performance targets.
	1	Organized and facilitated the Legislative Event "Tiny Homes in New Hampshire" for NH Legislators and local officials in the SNHPC region.

Goffstown's Representatives to the Commission

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