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Dear Planning Board,

Thank you for your discussion time dedicated to ADU's during Monday's meeting 1.30.23

As follow up, I am sharing demographic excerpts from the 2022 Community Needs Assessment conducted in Hingham. The report documents Hingham's large and growing population as well as current and increasing housing, caregiver, and community support needs. I have also included the link to Housing Assistance, Cape Cod here: <https://haconcapecod.org/adu/my-home-plus-one-adu-program/>

Similar to Hingham, Cape Cod has experienced significant growth in the population of residents age 60 and older, when compared to the state of MA. (In Hingham, there was an increase of 55% between 2000 and 2010, compared to a 16% increase for the state). The site has extensive resources related to the development of ADUs as a solution for the dire need for accessible and affordable housing. The organization's mission is to provide technical and financial support to decrease current obstacles that are inhibiting the creation of ADUs. **Among multiple supports, the technical assistance program offers fully funded 5 year lease support/monitoring for homeowners.**

- By 2035, 39% of Hingham's population is projected to be over age 60 (from 30% in 2020 and 17% in 1990)
- Within this demographic, there is a widening economic gap and financial insecurity challenges that impact housing needs and desire to age in place, as well as increased likelihood of changes in health status and acquiring a disability. In Hingham 19% of residents aged 65 and older report two or more disabilities.
- **Data sources: U.S. Census Bureau, projections generated by the Donahue Institute, University of Massachusetts and Metropolitan Area Planning Council (MAPC)**

Full needs assessment available at Senior Center or online: [Council on Aging | Hingham, MA \(hingham-ma.gov\)](#)

With appreciation,
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