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Gobi and Berthiaume Announce New Braintree Green Community Grant

BOSTON – Senator Anne M. Gobi (D-Spencer) and Representative Donald R. Berthiaume, Jr. (R-Spencer) have announced a \$127,285 grant being awarded to the town of New Braintree through the Green Communities Program.

New Braintree was newly designated a Green Community after meeting the criteria required by the program.

“Congratulations to New Braintree on their hard work to fulfill the criteria to qualify as a Green Community,” said Senator Gobi. “This municipal-state partnership has been so successful and provides so much assistance to communities as we strive for a cleaner, more sustainable Commonwealth.”

"Congratulations to the Town of New Braintree on their Green Community designation," said Representative Berthiaume. "This grant funding will allow New Braintree to further reduce their energy costs while freeing up critical municipal dollars for use elsewhere within the town budget."

The Green Community Designation and Grant Program provides a road map along with financial and technical support to municipalities that pledge to cut municipal energy use by an ambitious and achievable goal of 20 percent over 5 years and meet four other criteria established in the Green Communities Act.

Participation in the Program has grown steadily since the first group of 35 municipalities achieved designation status in July of 2010 to include over 200 cities and towns and over two-thirds of the state's population.

For more information contact Senator Gobi's office at 617-722-1540.

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