



# KENNEBUNK CURRENTS

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## 2024 Presidential Election, State Referendum Election and Town Referendum Election on November 5, 2024

**WHERE:** All early voting will take place at Edward C. Winston Town Hall Auditorium, 1 Summer Street, Kennebunk.



### EARLY VOTING DATES AND TIMES

**WHEN:**  
**10/7/2024 through 10/30/2024** from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (Mon. - Fri.)  
**10/30/2024** until 7:30 PM (In addition to regular Town Hall hours)  
**Saturday, October 26, 2024** from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
**Sunday, October 27, 2024** from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Voter Registration and in person voting will be available at all of the dates and times listed above. You may also take ballots home to registered voters that live in your household. Ballots taken home may be returned to the auditorium or to the ballot drop box located at the side entrance of town hall.

Please call the Clerk's office at 207-604-1326 with questions. See you at the polls!



Scan the QR code to view the **Voter Guide** or visit [www.kennebunkmaine.us/election](http://www.kennebunkmaine.us/election)

## Deputy Chief O'Brien graduates from FBI National Academy

Congratulations to Deputy Chief Eric O'Brien, who recently graduated from the FBI National Academy in Quantico, Virginia. The 291st session of the National Academy consisted of men and women from 47 states, the District of Columbia, and Guam. The class of 254 law enforcement officers included members of law enforcement agencies from 26 countries, seven military organizations, and seven federal civilian organizations.



Internationally known for its academic excellence, the National Academy offers 10 weeks of advanced communication, leadership, and fitness training. Participants must have proven records as professionals within their agencies to attend.

The National Academy is held at the FBI Training Academy in Quantico, the same facility where the FBI trains its new special agents and intelligence analysts. Well done and welcome back Deputy Chief O'Brien!



## Manager's Corner

Heather Balsler, Town Manager

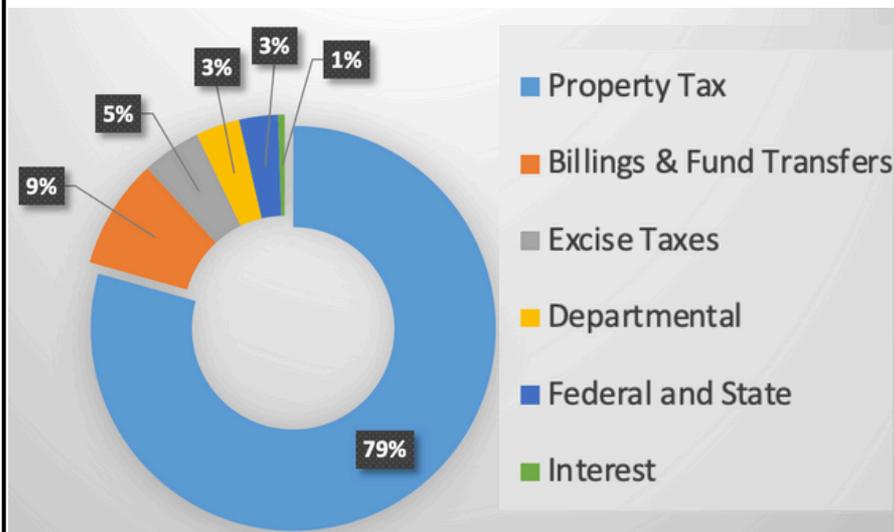
Below you will find a budgetary overview that provides a summary of the Town's revenue and tax rate trends.

The "General Fund Revenue" chart provides insights into our revenue sources, including property taxes, billings and state funding. The "5 Year Tax Rate History" illustrates a year-by-year breakdown showing how the municipal tax rate has evolved. The "FY 24-25 Current Allocation" shows the breakdown of how the funds are allocated based on the median house value.

## BUDGET IN BRIEF Fiscal Year 2025

### General Fund Revenue

Municipal Services are supported by several revenue sources. Property taxes account for the largest percentage.



### 5 Year Tax Rate History

Kennebunk's tax rate is \$16.95 per one thousand dollars of assessed value for FY25.

FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25
\$ 14.15	\$ 14.25	\$ 14.60	\$ 16.05	\$ 16.95

### FY 24-25 Current Allocation - Median House Value

Breakdown	Rate	\$450,000 home
RSU 21	\$ 11.10	\$ 4,995.00
York County	0.58	261.00
Town	5.27	2,371.50
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 16.95</b>	<b>\$ 7,627.50</b>



#### Welcome New Staff:

- Colin Vetter, Mechanic
- Tayte DeVoll,

#### Current Job Openings:

- Police Officer, KPD
- After School Counselor, Parks & Rec

To apply visit [www.kennebunkmaine.us/jobs](http://www.kennebunkmaine.us/jobs)

### Upcoming Events

- Farmers Market:** Saturdays, May-November, 8 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Garden St. Bowl Lot; [www.kennebunkfarmersmarket.com](http://www.kennebunkfarmersmarket.com)
- Household Hazardous Waste Day** - Saturday, October 12, 2024 from 8 a.m. - 1 p.m. 36 Sea Road, Kennebunk
- Fire Prevention Open House** Saturday, October 12, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. West Kennebunk Station, 80 Thompson Rd
- HarvestFest:** Saturday, October 19, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. Downtown Kennebunk
- Halloween Business Trick or Treating & Party** October 31 4 - 6 p.m. Downtown Kennebunk/Waterhouse Center
- Thanksgiving Dinner:** November 28, 12 p.m. - 2 p.m. Dorothy Stevens Ctr

### Meetings

- Select Board:** Meets on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in Town Hall Room 301
- Planning Board:** Meets on the 2nd & 4th Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in Town Hall Room 301
- Charter Commission Information Sessions - 3rd Floor Town Hall**
  - Saturday, October 12, 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.
  - Wednesday, October 23, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.[www.kennebunkmaine.us/chartercommission](http://www.kennebunkmaine.us/chartercommission)

## HarvestFest 2024

### Activities Include:

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| Events at Waterhouse Center    | Inflatable Corn Maze                        |
| Book Sale at Kennebunk Library | Brick Store Museum                          |
| Live Music at Tibbetts Plaza   | Food Drive for COS                          |
| Food Vendors                   | Kennebunk Baptist Church                    |
| Activities at Rotary Park      | Fun at Flannel Fields (behind COS building) |
| Farmers Market                 | Mousam River Wildlife Sanctuary Nature Walk |
| Kennebunk Twirlers Demo        |   |

... and a Costume Parade on Main Street!

Parade starts at 11:30am

Help join us in celebration of...



Scan for event details, schedule, and times



**2024 Fire Prevention Open House!**  
**Saturday, October 12**  
**9 a.m. - 2 p.m.**  
**West Kennebunk Station**

## THANKSGIVING DINNER

OPEN TO EVERYONE  
 THANKSGIVING DAY

12:00 - 2:00 P.M.

DOROTHY STEVENS CENTER  
 80 THOMPSON ROAD

FREE FOR THE COMMUNITY  
 FROM THE  
 WEST KENNEBUNK VILLAGE COMMITTEE



## Kennebunk Free Library Happenings

- Book Pumpkin Craft and Sip (10/15 at 5:30 p.m.): Get into the autumn spirit while upcycling a paperback book into a piece of cute pumpkin décor! All materials will be provided. This is a 21+ only event. Registration required.
- Meet and Greet with Pete the Cat (10/17 at 4:00 p.m.): Come hear some of our favorite Pete the Cat stories, make a Pete craft, and meet the big cat himself! Be ready to take some pictures! This event is for all ages.
- Friends of KFL Book Sale from 9:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. on October 19. Friends only pre-sale on 10/18 from 5:00 -7:00 p.m. Memberships are available at the door.
- Teen Magic the Gathering (10/29 at 3:00 p.m.): Looking to test out your new Magic the Gathering deck with friends? There will be cards available to make a deck, but if you have your own, we encourage you to bring them! Teens age 10 and up.

For more information and the rest of our program lineup, or to provide feedback, email us at [kfl@kennebunklibrary.org](mailto:kfl@kennebunklibrary.org), call us at 985-2173, or visit us at [kennebunklibrary.org](http://kennebunklibrary.org)



Town Hall Hours: Monday - Friday 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM