Discovery: Community Facilities and Services

Shrewsbury Master Plan

ABOUT

The Town of Shrewsbury is supported by a wide range of municipal facilities, public services, and infrastructure that contribute to the health, safety, education, and overall quality of life of its residents. These resources include municipal buildings, public utilities, public safety services, schools, libraries, parks, and programs that provide essential services to the community. Together, these facilities and services support daily municipal operations, accommodate the needs of a growing population, and help advance broader community goals related to sustainability, public health, resilience, and economic vitality.

As Shrewsbury continues to evolve, maintaining and enhancing these facilities and services remains an important priority. Ongoing investments in infrastructure, modernization efforts, and long-term planning initiatives will ensure that municipal resources can continue to meet current needs while positioning the Town to address future challenges and opportunities.

KEY HIGHLIGHTS SINCE THE 2016 MASTER PLAN

- ✓ In 2018, the Town opened the Home Farm Water Treatment Plant and, in 2025, construction began on a PFAS treatment addition to meet new federal drinking water standards. The Town has begun unidirectional flushing of its water mains (UDF) in the Spring and Fall seasons every 2-3 years.
- ✓ Over the past decade, the Town has completed or advanced major sewer capital projects, including the Clews Street Pump Station, Maple Avenue Pump Station rehabilitation, and Maple Avenue Force Main improvements. There's also been continued implementation of the Route 20 Sewer Expansion Project.
- ✓ In 2026, the Town received a $2.7 million Solid Waste Infrastructure for Recycling (SWIFR) grant to fund the launch of the Comprehensive Recycling and Composting Program, designed to maximize sustainability and expand service equity for all residents through a new municipal recycling facility and upgrades to the Town's curbside collection program to include food waste composting.

DID YOU KNOW?

In 2025, over 1.3 billion gallons of water were pumped, with an average of over **3.6 million gallons per day**.

Shrewsbury Public Schools enrollment decreased about **6%** between 2019 and 2025

In 2025, Shrewsbury was was ranked the **23rd safest community** to live in out of Massachusetts' 351 cities and towns

SHREWBURY PUBLIC SCHOOL CAPACITY & ENROLLMENT

School	Building Design Capacity	Student Enrollment
Preschool	242 (based on mostly half day programs)	179
Major Howard W. Beal School (Grades K-4)	790	637
Calvin Coolidge School (Grades K-4)	414 (includes 4 modular classrooms)	292
Walter J. Paton School (Grades K-4)	368 (includes 3 modular classrooms)	265
Spring Street School (Grades K-4)	368 (includes 6 modular classrooms)	306
Floral Street School (Grades 1-4)	660	489
Sherwood Middle School (Grades 5-6)	900	891
Oak Middle School (Grades 7-8)	900	909
Shrewsbury High School (Grades 9-12)	1,475	1,899

Source: Town of Shrewsbury, 2025 Annual Town Report as of October 1, 2025