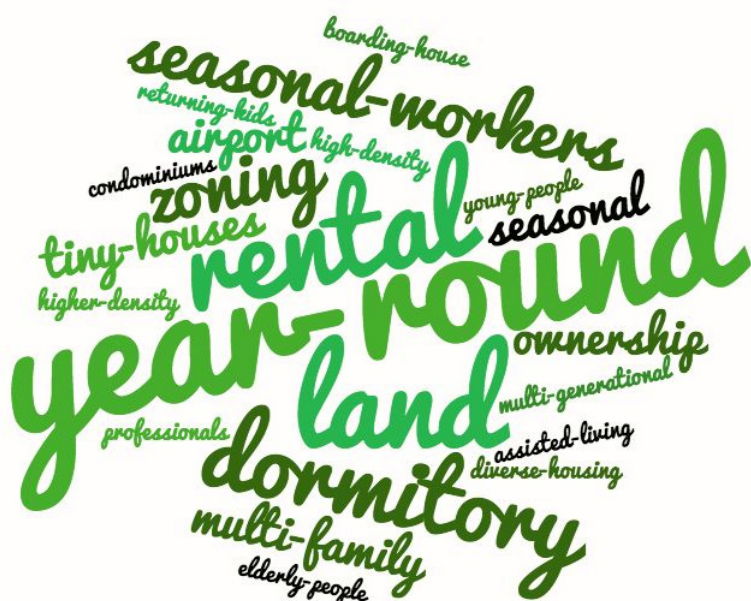


# EDGARTOWN'S HOUSING FUTURE

Edgartown community members envision that in 2027 the community will still be known for its friendly charm, quaint shops, beautiful historic homes, and water views. A diversity of new housing types, mostly smaller in scale, will provide more choice for families, young Islanders returning home, seasonal workers, and seniors. Increased tax revenue earmarked for affordable housing will enable the creation of additional rental and ownership units for low/moderate-income residents. While new development and the conversion of seasonal homes to year-round units will gently increased the town's density, the unique feel of this historic town will continue to shine.



Edgartown's housing stock will provide more year-round housing choice than it does now including cohousing, townhouses, duplexes, guest houses, tiny/micro house communities, condominiums, and multi-family apartments. These diverse and more-affordable housing options will help retain year-round workers and young families, including moderate-income households, and will provide options for seniors to stay in the community as they age. In addition, the development of a senior-living facility that provides independent and assisted living options will be a welcome addition to the community's housing choice to support an aging population.

New residential development will have a mix of affordable year-round rental and ownership housing and will be attractively designed with sensitivity to the historic, small-town character of the community. The community will work together to help encourage these developments on key larger and smaller infill properties primarily through zoning updates, tax incentives, and expanded local/regional funding sources.

In addition, dormitory/barrack-style housing and rooming/boarding houses will provide temporary homes for seasonal workers - this will free more of the existing housing stock for year-round rental occupancy, which will help reduce housing insecurity, limit the seasonal shuffle, and strengthen the community's economic and social health.