

## **FRWA Mission Statement**

The Farmington River Watershed Association (FRWA) was founded in 1953, by a group of concerned citizens and community leaders to address the long-term degradation of the Farmington River. Since that time FRWA has grown to be the leader in ensuring that the natural resources of the Farmington River Watershed are protected forever. As a citizen-based, 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, FRWA works diligently to promote an understanding of the need for watershed conservation among its 1,100 members and the citizens of the 33 watershed towns. It also exercises leadership in issues including water quality protection, wetland and floodplain preservation, water allocation, land and habitat conservation and recreational river usage.

FRWA protects and preserves the natural resources of the Farmington River Watershed through:

- *Research* – that establishes a comprehensive scientific understanding of watershed functions and health;
- *Education* – of the public, government and business communities about the importance of a healthy river system; and
- *Advocacy* – at the local, state and federal level for policies and actions that ensure the long-term protection of our watershed resources.

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