



FRIENDS of the
FRANKLIN COUNTY REGIONAL DOG SHELTER, INC.

10 Sandy Lane, Turners Falls, MA 01376 • (413) 676-9182

Message to community member:

The Friends of the Franklin County Dog Shelter have submitted a special permit application to the Town of Deerfield to build a new animal shelter on Plain Road in Deerfield. The current facility, located in Turners Falls, no longer adequately serves the needs of the community's animals.

The Zoning Board will review this special permit request on March 20th, and as a member of the Deerfield community, your support is vital to making this project a reality. You can show your support by either emailing or writing a letter to the Zoning Board before the March 20th meeting or by attending the meeting in person or via Zoom to express your support.

Date/Time:

March 20th 2025 6:30pm to 8:30pm EST

Attend In Person:

**Town of Deerfield Town Offices
8 Conway St. - Main Meeting Room**

Attend remotely via Zoom:

<https://zoom.us/j/9116041580?pwd=NkRHV3gzSWYvSm1JR0xlQXphUkt5UT09>

Meeting ID: 911 604 1580 Passcode: 570012

Dial-in Number: 312-626-6799, 929-205-6099, or 833 548 0276 US Toll-free

Meeting attendees should mute phones (6 for landlines) unless asking questions or commenting. All attendees should wait to speak until other participants are finished.*

If you choose to write to the Zoning Board, find below a suggested message that you can use or edit as you see fit.

Please don't hesitate to reach out to us via email at

friends@fcrdogkennel.org

with any questions or concerns.

Suggested support letter template:

[Your Name]
[Your Address]
[City, State, ZIP]
[Email Address]
[Phone Number]

[Date]

Zoning Board of Appeals

Town of Deerfield
8 Conway Street
South Deerfield, MA 01373

Dear Members of the Zoning Board,

I am writing to express my strong support for the Friends of the Franklin County Dog Shelter's application for a special permit to build a new animal shelter on Plain Road in Deerfield. This project is essential for meeting the needs of our community and ensuring the wellbeing of the animals in care of the shelter.

The current shelter in Turners Falls is no longer sufficient to accommodate the growing demand for animal services. A new facility in Deerfield would provide a more suitable environment for the animals, enhance adoption efforts, and better support the dedicated staff and volunteers who work tirelessly to serve our community.

I respectfully urge the Zoning Board to approve the special permit application. By doing so, you will be contributing to a meaningful improvement in our community and helping to ensure that every animal has the care and support they deserve.

Thank you for your time and consideration. Please do not hesitate to reach out if you have any questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,

[Your Name]