



Duxbury Beach Reservation

Town Meeting 2024

Duxbury Beach Reservation Mission

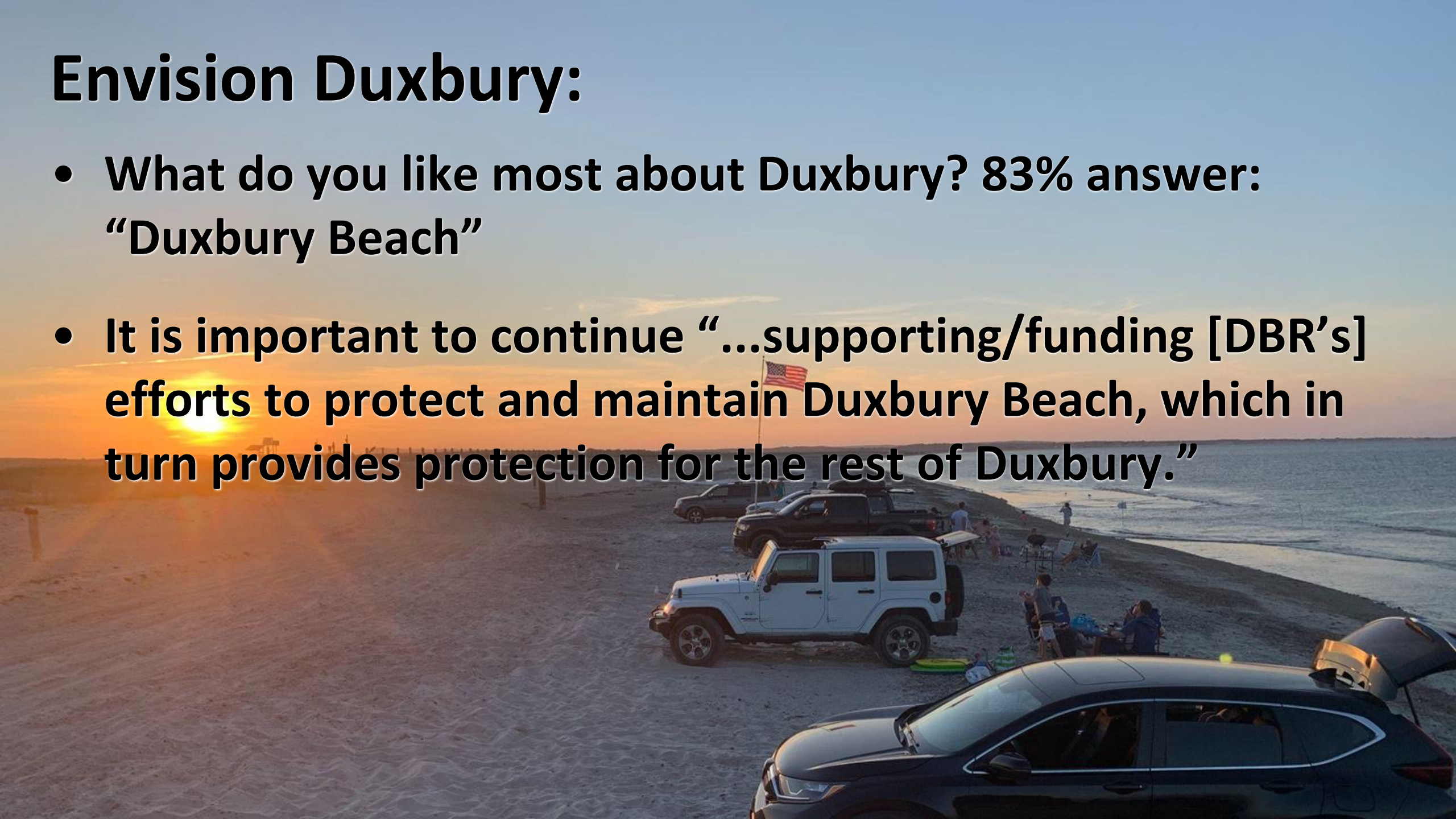


The beach is the heart of the town



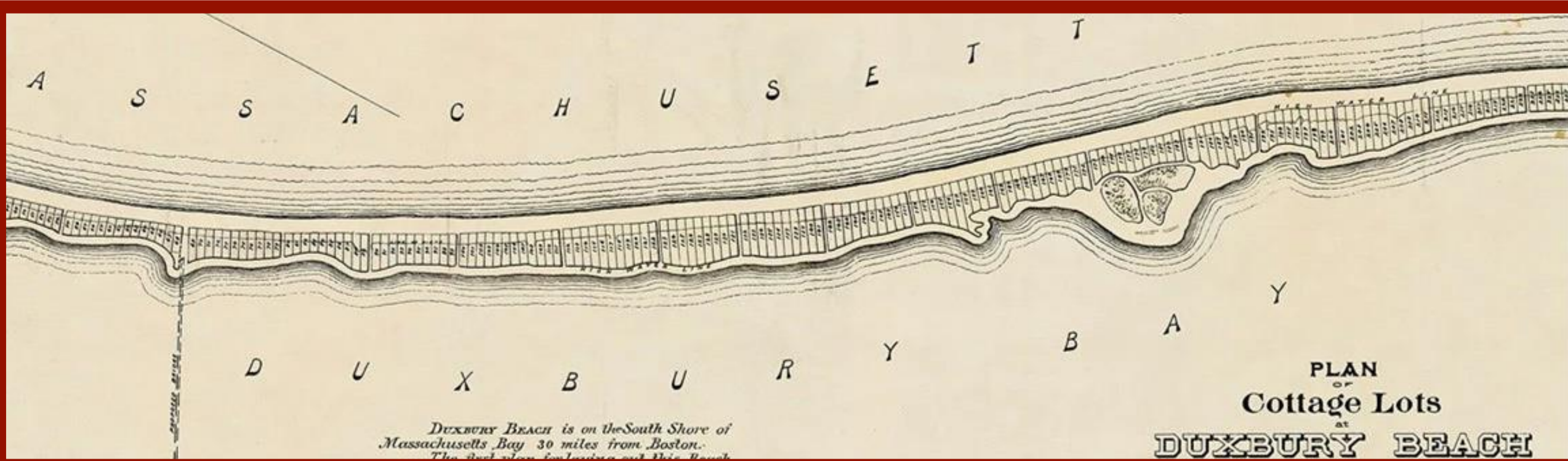
Envision Duxbury:

- What do you like most about Duxbury? 83% answer: “Duxbury Beach”
- It is important to continue “...supporting/funding [DBR’s] efforts to protect and maintain Duxbury Beach, which in turn provides protection for the rest of Duxbury.”



**Duxbury Beach has been central to life in
Duxbury for a long time**





**But it
almost
wasn't.**

Late 1800's

- Town sells beach to developer to be privatized
- DBA buys beach from developer to protect it for public use

DBR-Town Protecting the Landform Together

1978-2006

DBR, Town,
FEMA Split
Costs

- Town & DBR share costs of maintenance/improvement
- FEMA covers 75% of storm damage costs

2007

FEMA Breaks
Commitment

- FEMA denies coverage of storm damages
- Costs to be divided between the town & DBR

2007-2012

DBR Covers
Expenses

- DBR appeals FEMA and Dept. of Transportation ruling

2013

Storm Hits;
Town
Worries

- DBR covers all \$1.2 mil in storm damages
- Town concern re: increasing unpredictable costs
- Town requests agreement change

2014-2016

New
Agreement
Begins

- Lease changed with \$200k increase
- Town and DBR agree to hold lease constant at \$600k for 3 years then set increase

2017...

Current
Agreement

- Scheduled \$50k/year increase thru FY24
- DBR chose to hold lease at \$1million for FY25



**By preserving
the beach, we
protect the town**

**A healthy
Duxbury Beach
provides a
buffer against
storm damage**

Google Earth

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Data SIO, NOAA, U.S. Navy, NGA, GEBCO

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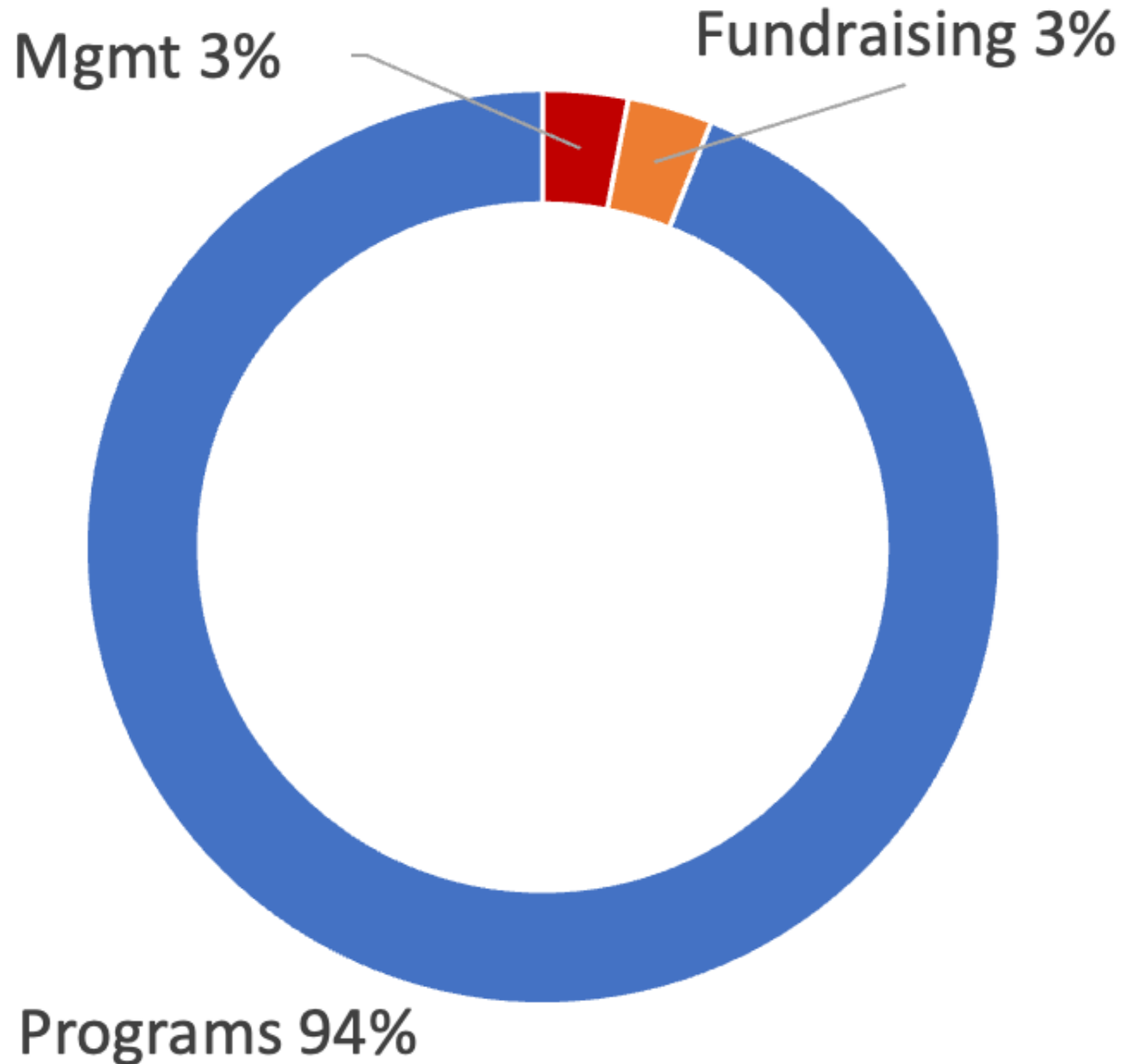


RECENT BEACH RESTORATION PROJECTS:



- In recent years, \$5 million invested in Beach Structure
- In 2024, \$1.8 million in privately raised funds will be used for beach restoration from the Resident Beach to Crossover 1

DBR FY23 Expenses



**For every \$1.00
received,
\$0.94 spent on
programs**



DBR'S MISSION:
Preserve the landform
Protect the ecology
Invite all to Enjoy