

**COUNTY OF DUKES COUNTY
REGISTRY OF DEEDS**

**ANNUAL REPORT
FY 2013**

We experienced an almost 7% increase in Registry business during FY 2013. This increase indicates that hopefully we are beginning to see a change in the trends we recently seen in the real estate market and general economy. The 3-year comparison included below illustrates the shift in revenues.

	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013
Copies and Postage	31,150	27,828	27,187
Plans	950	1,775	1,225
Recorded Land Recording	128,600	138,257	149,742
Land Court Recording	70,570	57,202	64,620
Excise to County	117,717	121,033	127,181
Registry Interest	31	21	11
Excise Interest	<u>55</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>34</u>
	349,073	346,150	370,000

The availability of Dukes County records on line continues to be an asset to the services we provide and we continue to add to that service. The website address is www.masslandrecords.com . Currently we have the Grantor/Grantee indexes and document images available on line back to 1980. We also have a large inventory of plans available online and are actively restoring and scanning older plans to add to that inventory. With the availability of technology fund monies we are scanning older documents and continue to increase the available inventory in addition to a hardware and software upgrade to our computer system. Sr. Clerk Jessica Burnham, IT Manager/Clerk Paulo DeOliveira and Clerk Shannon Larsen continue to provide expert assistance to our customers and myself.

Respectfully submitted,

Dianne E. Powers
Register of Deeds

Hours of operation: 8:30AM to 4:30PM, Monday through Friday.

Documents are accepted for recording from 8:30AM – 12:30PM and 1:30PM - 4:00PM

We are located on the first floor of the Dukes County Courthouse, 81 Main Street, Edgartown, MA.

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