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Topsfield named 'Best Place to Live'

Topsfield was named one of the "Best Places to Live" by *Boston* magazine "because the great outdoors are your backyard" in the March 2012 issue. The magazine's theme of "best places to live" is places that are maybe not the most well known areas or frequent these types of lists typically.

The magazine states, "Most people know only one thing about Topsfield: the annual fall fair, which features piglet races and giant pumpkins. But this rural community of beautiful old homes and horse farms offers more than just a slice of Americana — it's also a recreational hub for folks of all ages."

According to the magazine, the median home price in Topsfield is \$415,700, a one-year decrease of 4 percent. The article also says that "since 2006, prices in Topsfield have plunged by 34 percent."

Topsfield is listed along with Scituate, Winthrop, Somerville, Plymouth, Northborough, Stoughton, Lakeville, Medway, East Boston and Acton and Boxborough as a best place to live, in the opinion of Boston magazine.

This issue is on newsstands everywhere now. To learn more about *Boston* magazine, visit bostonmagazine.com.



The new Rail Trail bike path is one of the amenities cited by Boston Magazine in choosing Topsfield as a 'Best Place to Live.' Last fall Topsfield's David Read and his family took a bike ride on the Topsfield leg of the Border to Boston Trail, FILE PHOTO