There are fourteen communities that have applied for, and been granted, city forms of government, though they wish to be known as “The Town of.” They are AGAWAM, AMHERST, BARNSTABLE, BRAINTREE, BRIEDGWATER, Franklin, North Attleborough, Palmer, Randolph, Southbridge, Watertown, West Springfield, Weymouth, and Winthrop. There are five communities that have been granted the title of city though they do not have wards; they are: Amesbury, Easthampton, Greenfield, Methuen and Framingham.


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