

## ASSESSORS BEGIN CYCLICAL INSPECTIONS

The Department of Revenue (DOR) mandates that all cities and towns inspect their properties at least every nine years. This is to insure that the property data is correct in the computer-assisted mass appraisal (CAMA) system in order that values be calculated accurately. The collection and maintenance of current and accurate property inventory data is a critical element in determining uniform, fair market value.

While the staff makes many property inspections during the year as a result of building permit activity and other changes to properties, including abatement requests, sales, and annual updates, some properties are not covered in these categories. In order to meet the DOR's requirement, the Town has contracted with Vision Appraisal Technology, Inc. to conduct inspections for those properties that have not been visited within the last six years.

Vision's data collectors will begin with single family residences. They will have a town identification badge and an introductory letter from the Assessor's office. Property owners will be asked for a complete interior and exterior inspection of your property. Collectors will not enter a building where a minor is alone, and they will not take interior photos. If a property owner is not home, an exterior inspection will be conducted and a follow up letter will be sent asking the owner to contact the Assessor's office to schedule an interior inspection if needed.

The Board of Assessors wishes to thank Concord residents in advance for their support of this effort to improve the accuracy of their records by completing this part of our cyclical inspection program. If you have any questions, you can contact the office at (978) 318-3070, email us at [assessing@concordma.gov](mailto:assessing@concordma.gov), or stop by the office at 24 Court Lane.