

Southcoast Health selling limited-edition T-shirts to raise funds in support of the Sgt. Sean M. Gannon Memorial Playground

Southcoast Health is selling limited-edition T-shirts to help raise funds for the construction of the Sgt. Sean M. Gannon Memorial Playground located at the Campbell Elementary School in New Bedford.

Net proceeds from the sale of the T-shirts will be donated to support the construction of the Sgt. Sean M. Gannon Memorial Playground at Campbell Elementary School. Southcoast Health sponsored the design and production of the T-shirts, working in partnership with the Sgt. Gannon Memorial Playground Committee at Campbell School.

A member of the K-9 unit of the Yarmouth Police Department, Sgt. Sean M. Gannon, was shot and killed in the line of duty on April 12. His dog, Nero, was also shot but survived his injuries.

“Employees at Southcoast Health were deeply affected by the tragic death of Sgt. Gannon, whose parents both work for the organization,” said Keith A. Hovan, President & CEO of Southcoast Health.

“We wanted to pay lasting tribute to Sgt. Gannon, and this project is just one opportunity to do so while fulfilling our mission of promoting health and wellness within our community.

“Playgrounds encourage healthy, safe play and enhance our community, all of which we stand for as our community’s

healthcare system,” he said.

Sgt. Gannon grew up in New Bedford and often played on the Campbell Schools grounds.

“We are very excited to partner with Southcoast Health. We feel that in order to encourage our youth to stay active and healthy, we need to make sure that we give them the tools and creative spaces to do so,” said Carla Mourao, chairperson of the Sgt. Sean M. Gannon Memorial Playground Committee. “The support that Southcoast Health is providing to help build this special playground will allow us to keep our youngest citizens physically active, engaged in their community and healthy. This playground will continue Sgt. Gannon’s lasting legacy of serving others and improving our community.”

The Sgt. Gannon Memorial Playground Committee is made up of parents, teachers and community members. The school is located at 145 Essex St., New Bedford.

T-shirts are available for purchase at the Southcoast More Store (www.southcoast.org/morestore) and sell for \$25, shipping is included. They come in male, female and youth styles and sizes.



Greater New Bedford Opioid

Task Force drop-in center open, Thursday, July 26

The Greater New Bedford Opioid Task Force drop-in center will be open from 6-8 p.m. Thursday, July 26. The drop-in center provides resources, support services, referrals and Narcan training for those struggling with opioid addiction and the people that care about them. The center is held at Pilgrim United Church, 634 Purchase St.

Representatives will be available from a variety of organizations and agencies. Services include support services by licensed professionals, inpatient and outpatient treatment referrals, connections to recovery services, support for family members and Narcan training and distribution.

Refreshments will be served.

If you would like to speak with someone in confidence, call 508-993-6242, ext. 127.

New Bedford firefighters continue to Fill The Boot today

The following is a letter sent to New Bedford Guide by the New Bedford Firefighters Union President:

“We would like to shed light this morning to the inundation of posts, questions, texts, and calls regarding the events of yesterday and the interaction between our local police

officers and our members.

There were questions raised by this city's leadership to this Union Leadership as to the validity we had to continue to Fill the Boot for MDA at roadway intersections. A tradition started by Firefighters back in 1954 in South Boston and a multi-decades' long tradition practiced by the members of the New Bedford Firefighters Union Local 841.

We are but one of approximately 140 communities across the State of Massachusetts that hosts MDA Fill the Boot events and it appeared we would be, if only for a few moments, the first to be denied the opportunity to continue. In that conversation, we informed them that we had every intention to continue our event as planned and scheduled through the weekend.

The New Bedford Police Chief issued a letter outlining sections of state law relative to stepping into traffic. In review of this letter, we were able to determine that the safety plan already in place by the professional leadership in the MDA along with our own directives given each member before going out to Fill the Boot covered the concerns put forward by the Police Chief. A directive was apparently issued to on-duty Police Officers to check up on our event to ensure we were complying with the guidance given by their Chief. Upon providing a list of our members' names at the officer's request and the observations made by the officers on site, we were deemed to be following the guidelines given us. A shut down of our event NEVER occurred.

In the past 5 years, the New Bedford Firefighters Union has raised nearly \$160,000 for MDA, one of the largest Fill the Boot in all Massachusetts. The Professional Firefighters of Massachusetts have reached the Million dollar mark and across the International Association of Firefighters, the collective dollar is \$630 million. ALL to help kids in wheelchairs and the research that has helped some walk again. MDA helps kids

and adults that suffer with muscle disease. Let us not lose sight of the greater good we can do. Supporting this event and YOUR local firefighters no matter what community you're in for the day is the right thing to do.

We appreciate our Brothers and Sisters of the New Bedford Police Department and continue to collaborate with them in all we do. Their Unions sponsorship of the Whaling City Festival has continued a family fun weekend needed for the many residents of our city. We thank them for offering the space within the park to expand our ability to raise monies for MDA with our dunk tank, T-shirt sales and Touch-a-Truck. Enjoy this weekend's event."

**Fill the boot continues today from 10am to 6 pm
intersections of Routes 6 and 140
Our Dunk Tank and Booth opens in the park at Noon
This decades long tradition shall continue for years to come.**



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Tom Carreiro
President
New Bedford Firefighters Local 841

Targeted ground spraying for mosquitoes planned in New Bedford for Thursday, July 12, 2018

The New Bedford Health Department, working closely with the Bristol County Mosquito Control Project and the Massachusetts

Department of Public Health, is again this year conducting an annual monitoring program to track the potential threat from EEE and WNV carrying mosquitoes. Under the program, mosquito traps are put in place to collect pools of mosquitoes and mosquito populations are monitored throughout the summer months.

As part of the mosquito tracking program, the New Bedford Health Department will request that the BCMCP target key areas of the New Bedford for spraying, including public parks and locations that host large public events.

As such, the Bristol County Mosquito Control Project will conduct targeted ground spraying for mosquitoes early on the morning of Thursday, July 12, 2018. This round of spraying will target areas including Buttonwood Park, Brooklawn Park, Fort Taber, Hazelwood Park, Riverside Park, Clasky Park, Ashley Park, the Poor Farm area, and the Downtown area as well as Pier 3. Spraying will take place between 2:00 am and sunrise on Thursday morning, weather permitting. Residents in the vicinity of the targeted areas may wish to close their windows the evening prior to the spraying.

As it does with EEE and West Nile Virus, the New Bedford Health Department works closely with the Massachusetts Department of Public Health to track other emerging mosquito-borne diseases such as the Zika virus. While Zika-carrying mosquitoes have not been identified the New Bedford area, and the Massachusetts Department of Public Health reports that the likelihood of becoming infected with Zika virus from a mosquito bite in Massachusetts is very low, residents are urged to take the general precautionary measures to prevent mosquito bites. In addition, travelers to areas where the Zika virus has been detected in mosquitoes or humans should take extra precaution to avoid being bitten by mosquitoes during their trip. This includes both females and males who travel to areas where the Zika virus is occurring. If you or your partner is planning on traveling, you should check the Centers

for Disease Control and Prevention website for information about where Zika virus is occurring: <http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/page/zika-information>.

The same precautionary measures are advised for EEE, WNV, and the Zika virus. These include the following:

Avoid Mosquito Bites

Ø Be Aware of Peak Mosquito Hours – While mosquitoes are out at all hours of the day, their peak biting times are from dusk to dawn. Consider rescheduling outdoor activities that occur during evening or early morning. Otherwise, take extra care to use repellent and protective clothing, especially if you work or spend a lot of time outdoors.

Ø Clothing Can Help Reduce Mosquito Bites. Although it may be difficult to do when it's hot, wearing long-sleeves, long pants and socks when outdoors will help keep mosquitoes away from your skin.

Ø Apply Insect Repellent when you go outdoors. Use a repellent with DEET (N, N-diethyl-m-toluamide), permethrin, picaridin (KBR 3023), IR3535 or oil of lemon eucalyptus [p-methane 3, 8-diol (PMD)] according to the instructions on the product label. DEET products should not be used on infants under two months of age and should be used in concentrations of 30% or less on older children. Oil of lemon eucalyptus should not be used on children under three years of age. Permethrin products are intended for use on items such as clothing, shoes, bed nets and camping gear and should not be applied to skin.

Mosquito-Proof Your Home

Ø Drain Standing Water – Mosquitoes lay their eggs in standing water. Limit the number of places around your home for mosquitoes to breed by either draining or getting rid of items that hold water. Check rain gutters and drains. Empty any unused flowerpots and wading pools, and change water in

birdbaths frequently.

Install or Repair Screens – Some mosquitoes like to come indoors. Keep them outside by having tightly-fitting screens on all of your windows and doors.

New Bedford's Festival Theatre to present American classic, "West Side Story"

Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet is transported to modern-day New York City in the breathtaking musical, WEST SIDE STORY which is being presented by the New Bedford Festival Theatre July 20-29, 2018 at the Zeiterion Performing Arts Center, New Bedford, MA for 7 performances. With book by Arthur Laurents, music by Leonard Bernstein, and lyrics by Stephen Sondheim, the original 1957 Broadway production ran for over 700 performances before going on tour, and garnered 6 Tony nominations. It became the most powerful, moving, daring, and influential musical of the 1950s.

The story is set in the Upper West Side of New York City in the mid-1950s and explores the rivalry between the Jets and the Sharks, two teenage street gangs of different ethnic backgrounds. When, Tony, a Jet, falls in love with Maria, a Shark, the young lovers struggle to keep their love alive in a world of hate, violence and prejudice. The dark theme, sophisticated music, extended dance scenes, and focus on social problems marked a turning point in American musical theatre when it was first produced; WEST SIDE STORY remains one of the most innovative, heart-wrenching and relevant musical dramas of our time.

Some of the musical's legendary songs include: "Maria" "Tonight" "America" "I Feel Pretty" "Somewhere" and "Gee. Officer Krupke." WEST SIDE STORY will also offer audiences some of the most energetic and demanding choreography ever seen on the Zeiterion stage with "The Prologue" "The Dance at the Gym" "The Rumble" and the moving "Somewhere Ballet." Hailed as "Electrifying" (NY Times), "A milestone in musical-drama history"(Time), and "Extraordinarily exciting"(New York Daily News), WEST SIDE STORY continues New Bedford Festival Theatre's mission of bringing the Best of Broadway to southern New England, as it has done for the past 28 years.

Tickets are on sale (\$59 \$52 \$45 \$39) at the Zeiterion Box Office, by calling 508.994.2900, or on-line at zeiterion.org.

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Junior Achievement's SPARK Program Now Accepting Applications

Apply Today for Junior Achievement's SPARK Program – a free year-long program for middle school girls focusing on leadership and entrepreneurial thinking, highlighted by a week-long residential summer experience at Massachusetts Maritime Academy from August 13th-August 17th.



SPARK offers a unique blend of career readiness, entrepreneurship, financial literacy, and leadership development. Girls will learn the foundational skills of how to be an entrepreneur, work in teams to create their own social enterprise businesses, and practice skills such as business plan development, marketing and branding, and strategic planning. Participants will meet periodically throughout the following academic year to expand on their ideas and put their plans into action.



The program is open to 13-14 year old girls across Southern Massachusetts.

SPARK participants include young women from varying socioeconomic backgrounds, many of whom have already begun their entrepreneurial endeavors and are eager to expand in their pursuits of someday owning their own business, while others are just scratching the surface and diving into a world of possibilities.

To learn more or apply, visit <https://www.juniorachievement.org/web/ja-somass/camp-spark> or email Nicole at nicole.nault@ja.org.

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North Avenue in Attleboro closure and detour on June 30 and July 1

The Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT) will be closing North Avenue under I-95 in Attleboro on Saturday, June 30 at 6:00 a.m. to begin the demolition of the temporary bridge in the median of I-95. Demolition operations will stop at 10:00 p.m. on Saturday and resume at 6:00 a.m. Sunday, July 1. The bridge is expected to be removed and the road cleaned and opened by 6:00 p.m. on Sunday, July 1.

North Avenue will remain closed overnight Saturday with police details in place due to equipment and materials remaining in the road.

The temporary detour for North Avenue will be in place for all motor vehicle traffic as follows:

For traffic traveling Westbound on North Avenue:

- Turn right onto Stobbs Drive
- Turn right onto Holcott Drive
- Turn left onto North Main Street (Route 152)
- Turn left onto Toner Boulevard
- Turn left onto North Avenue

For traffic traveling Eastbound on North Avenue:

- Continue to Toner Boulevard.
- Turn right onto North Main Street (Route 152)
- Turn right onto Commonwealth Avenue
- Turn left onto North Avenue

Detour signs will be in place for the duration of the bridge demolition operations.

MassDOT encourages the public to be mindful of potential

traffic impacts.

Those traveling through the area should reduce speed and use caution. The schedule for this work is weather dependent and subject to change without notice.

New Bedford Firefighters' Public Service Announcement

"In an attempt to provide public awareness, since there has not been any formal notice, announcement or signage, regarding the following changes to response and station access.

To residents and businesses of downtown & the far west end of New Bedford:

This district extends from the New Bedford harbor/waterfront west to the Dartmouth town line and from approximately Allen Street northerly to the Parker Street area.

Response times to this area WILL BE affected over the next 4 months.

Due to repairs being conducted at Fire Headquarters (Station 2) at 868 Pleasant Street in the city's downtown, the following operation changes were decided by the department:

LADDER COMPANY 1: Our busiest ladder company, has been relocated to Fire Station 5 in the far north end (Sassaquin). Ladder Company 1 will remain OUT OF SERVICE as a Blacked Out company. **THIS COMPANY WILL ONLY BE OPEN IF MANPOWER IS AVAILABLE.** Otherwise, Ladder 3 in the south end (Station 6 – Potomska & Purchase Sts) and Ladder 4 in the north end (Station 8 – Davis and Acushnet Ave) will now double their

responsibility by covering the downtown area and far west end in the absence of Ladder 1.

ENGINE COMPANY 1: Our busiest engine company, will operate from Fire Headquarters (Station 2) in downtown from the hours of 8:00am until 10:00pm. At 10:00pm, Engine 1 will then transfer to Station 7 (Durfee & Cottage Sts) until 8:00am the following morning, at which time they will report back to Headquarters.

!!!PLEASE TAKE NOTICE!!!!

From 10:00pm until 8:00am, **THERE WILL BE NO FIRE PERSONNEL OR APPARATUS LOCATED AT HEADQUARTERS** (868 Pleasant St), leaving the downtown area and far west end to be covered by outlying fire stations further to the south and north (Stations 6, 7 & 8).

Where alternative suggestions were made by this Union Leadership to maintain a 24 hour station operation and regular response it was the decision of the city to do otherwise."

~ Local 841
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New Bedford Guide's Facebook page hits 100,000 likes milestone

Yesterday, **New Bedford Guide's Facebook page** reached the incredible milestone of 100,000 Facebook likes. It's an

amazing accomplishment and we'd like to thank all of the followers that make running the page an enjoyable experience. New Bedford Guide would not be successful without the community's participation and the businesses that support us, and for that, we thank you.

Fast Phone Fix launches SouthCoast iPhone Repair service for \$2.99 a month

Some good news for iPhone and Apple users! Our friends at Fast Phone Fix, located at 283 Union Street in downtown New Bedford have launched an innovative and inexpensive new service that will **make your current insurance plan obsolete**. On Monday June 11th, SouthCoast iPhone Repair goes live! We've had the pleasure of spotlighting them over the last year and have done several live videos where we learned about screen repair, battery tips & tricks, laptops and how important it is to use quality parts. It's wonderful to see local businesses thrive and expand, so having them offer this type of repair plan to new and existing customers is exciting.



Why SouthCoast iPhone Repair Plan?


- Save 50-70% off standard phone insurance
- Save 55-80% off repair cost/deductibles
- Repairs done on the spot, typical wait times 10-15 minutes
- Experience = Combined 25+ years

- 1 year warranty on all screen replacements
- Free screen protector installed at shop when you sign up for repair plan

\$2.99 a month for those who sign up in the first 30 days! Lock in the low monthly rate before it goes up.

And let's face it, cell phone bills are expensive enough. Once you add on insurance premiums, claims, repair costs and everything else that comes with owning a phone, you're looking at a car payment worth of expenses. At **SouthCoast iPhone Repair** their new plan eliminates unnecessary costs that come with phone repairs. So if you're looking to save money **and** get your phone repaired quickly by experienced technicians this services seems like a no-brainer. This plan is also valid for most iPads.

So how does it work?

First, cancel your cell provider's high-cost insurance plan, with expensive deductibles and repair costs. Sign up for SouthCoast iPhone Repairs \$2.99 monthly repair plan and gain access to extremely discounted repair costs. Save an average of \$150 per year on insurance, deductibles and repairs. With a iPhone 8, for example, the cost per claim is only \$35 – compare that to what other people charge: 

Next, simply contact one of their repair centers located throughout the SouthCoast. **Give us a call at (774) 520-4524 and we can point you to the closest location.** Do you live in the Greater New Bedford area? Go to their convenient downtown location at 283 Union Street.

What phones are covered by their repair plan?

Apple iPhones & iPads exclusively. This includes iPhone 8 & 8 Plus and all previous generations of the iPhone, excluding the iPhone X. For the iPad, they cover all models except the following: iPad Air 2 and iPad Pro.

Here is a good breakdown of what it would cost to fix a broken screen on several different iPhone models: iPhone 6 – \$19.99, iPhone 6s – \$25, iPhone 6s Plus – \$29, iPhone 7 – \$29.99, iPhone 7 plus – \$29.99, iPhone 8 – \$29.99, iPhone 8 Plus – \$35.00

If you want all the details on what's offered and want to sign up, click [HERE](#).

These guys work fast and have thousands of satisfied customers. Most repairs are usually done in 15 to 20 minutes and they can even come to your home or office.

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Somerset | Swansea
Wareham | Westport

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