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## **New Bedford Police seize three handguns, fentanyl from Capri Motel in Dartmouth**

New Bedford Police Department narcotics detectives located three handguns, numerous bullets, fentanyl, and cocaine packaged for sales and \$437 at the Capri Motel room 171 in Dartmouth on July 15.

As a result, Jose Montanez, 23, 598 Cottage St. Apt. #3, was charged with multiple offenses, including committing a felony while armed and career criminal act. This was a subsequent offense for drugs and firearms.



598 Cottage Street in New Bedford.

Detective Steven Gwozdz investigated the case.

If you have any information on criminal activity in your community, the New Bedford Police Dept. wants to hear from you. You can leave an anonymous tip on our voicemail at (508) 991-6300 Ext. 1.

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**Healey, lawmakers urge  
Governor Baker to extend**

# eviction moratorium in Massachusetts

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State House News Service

The pressure from Democrats on Gov. Charlie Baker to extend a moratorium on evictions and foreclosures into November intensified on Friday, with Attorney General Maura Healey calling such a step “critical,” and a majority of the Committee on Housing urging the governor to keep the protections in place.

The protections under a law signed by Baker in April to prevent landlords from evicting tenants or banks foreclosing on homeowners during the pandemic are set to expire on Aug. 18, but Baker has the authority to extend those measures in 90-day increments.

Baker has said he is talking with local officials and people in the housing industry as he weighs a decision, but acknowledged this week that he must make one “soon.”

Healey on Friday said that allowing the eviction and foreclosure moratorium to expire would risk more people becoming homeless at a time when the COVID-19 pandemic continues to cause economic hardships for families.

Since the law went into effect, Healey said her office had received more than 130 complaints of violations, including illegal evictions and cases of landlords threatening to change locks on units, sending notices to vacate that are not labeled as such and using minor lease violations to claim a health and safety risk to remove tenants.

“It’s critical that Governor Baker extend this moratorium to ensure our residents have the resources and assistance they

need to stay safe. My office has already stopped more than 70 illegal evictions and will continue to monitor this issue," Healey said in a statement.

Housing Committee Co-chairs Rep. Kevin Honan and Sen. Brendan Crighton also urged Baker on Friday extend the moratorium while the Legislature explores "further funding mechanisms and legislation to extend protections."

Honan, Crighton, and eight other Housing Committee members wrote a letter to Baker describing the 90-day extension as an "urgent need," warning that if it lapsed up to 20,000 evictions notices could be filed in August.

"In order to prevent an unprecedented number of evictions, we must keep these safeguards in place while the Commonwealth continues to safely reopen and businesses and individuals alike begin to financially recover from the impacts of COVID-19," the legislators wrote.

The letter was signed by the two vice-chairs Rep. Joseph McGonagle of Everett and Sen. Su Moran of Falmouth. Senate President Emerita Harriette Chandler and Reps. Christine Barber, Peter Capano, Tram Nguyen, Patrick Kearney and Christopher Hendricks also signed the letter.

Honan, the longtime House chair of the Housing Committee, has also filed legislation with Rep. Mike Connolly and Sen. Patricia Jehlen that would extend the moratorium on evictions and foreclosures until one year after the governor lifts the current state of emergency.

The bills would also freeze rents over the same time period and allow small landlords owning up to 15 units to defer mortgage payments until the end of the mortgage if they lose income due to COVID-19.

The bills were sent to the Housing Committee this week, but with just two weeks until the end of formal sessions their

passage could represent a heavy lift for proponents given the known opposition to such measures of some lawmakers and the strong criticism from realtors.

The Greater Boston Real Estate Board, NAIOP Massachusetts, the Massachusetts Association of Realtors and the Home Builders and Remodelers Association are all united in their opposition to the Honan-Connolly-Jehlen bill.

“This bill would paralyze the real estate industry, a vital part of the Massachusetts economy, and further exacerbate the state’s longstanding housing crisis. It will have a lasting negative impact that will extend far beyond the timeline outlined in the legislation,” the coalition wrote in a new letter outlining their opposition.

The realtors association reported this week that single-family home sales had started to pick up in June, but were down 22 percent from the prior year.

The groups said that the April law was passed after nearly a month of discussions, and they believe that if the governor and Legislature believe an extension is necessary it can be best managed through continued dialogue among Beacon Hill’s leadership.

“We do not believe that additional legislative action is required to address housing concerns caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. If it is necessary to extend the protections of the emergency housing law, Chapter 65 of the Acts of 2020 already contains a mechanism to do so, rendering HD.5166 and SD.2992 unnecessary,” the groups said.

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# **Massachusetts State Police seize 400lbs of illegal fireworks**

Over 400 lbs. of fireworks were confiscated over the past few weeks during fireworks enforcement led by Massachusetts State Police in the Fire & Explosion Investigation Section.

Many Massachusetts drivers illegally bringing fireworks over the border have lost their fireworks and received court summonses. Lawrence Police Department assisted.

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# **Massachusetts State Troopers arrest wanted man for Trafficking Fentanyl, Cocaine**

Earlier this morning Trooper John Jakobowski, a recent graduate of the 85th Recruit Training Troop and the son and namesake of retired Trooper John Jakobowski, and his Field Training Officer, Trooper Matt Clark, stopped a vehicle for speeding on Melnea Cass Boulevard in Boston. They discovered the operator, identified as CHARLES JORDAN, 53, of Lynn, had an active warrant for his arrest and a suspended driver's license in Massachusetts. They arrested the man on the warrant and operating after suspension.

During the inventory of the motor vehicle's contents, prior to it being towed, the two Troopers discovered a satchel containing approximately 39 grams of cocaine and crack

cocaine, 11 grams of fentanyl, a large assortment of prescription pills, a digital scale, and over \$11,000 in cash.

JORDAN was transported to State Police-Boston where he was booked and a bail commissioner ordered him to be held pending his arraignment at Roxbury District Court on the following charges:

Operating a Motor Vehicle with a Suspended License;

1. Trafficking in Fentanyl;
2. Trafficking in Cocaine;
3. Distribution of a Class E Substance, Subsequent Offense;
4. Distribution of a Class D Substance, Subsequent Offense;
5. Unlawful Possession of Fireworks;
6. Larceny Under \$1200; and
7. Speeding.

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## **Police investigating early Friday morning homicide in New Bedford**

**UPDATE: The victim of the fatal shooting early this morning at 17 Margin St, New Bedford has been identified by the office of Bristol County District Attorney Thomas M. Quinn III as 25-year-old Keven Rocha of New Bedford.**

New Bedford Police, Massachusetts State Police detectives assigned to the district attorney's office and Homicide Unit prosecutors are actively investigating a fatal shooting which occurred in New Bedford early this morning between 4:00-5:00 am.□



New Bedford Police responded to 17 Margin Street early this morning and discovered a male had been fatally shot inside of the multi-family building.

The victim is an unidentified male and based upon evidence gathered during the preliminary investigation, he was found to have suffered from multiple gunshot wounds.

The state Medical Examiner's Office will take custody of the body to perform an autopsy in the coming days.

As the homicide investigation remains active and ongoing, no further information can be disseminated at this time.

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## **Bristol County Correctional Facilities free of COVID-19**

Bristol County correctional facilities are free of the COVID-19 virus.

No staff members, county inmates or ICE detainees in BCSO custody have tested positive for COVID-19 since July 10, and every individual who has tested positive since the pandemic began has made a full recovery.

"We're not out of the woods yet," Bristol County Sheriff Thomas M. Hodgson said. "There are still more than 100,000 COVID cases in Massachusetts and many experts are predicting another wave in the fall. We will continue to be vigilant and careful in our facilities, especially when new individuals are admitted."

Since the pandemic began, 48 county inmates tested positive for COVID-19. All inmates either moved back to general

population from medical isolation after recovering or were released as their sentences had concluded.

Forty-three BCSO staff members tested positive over the last six months and 42 of them recovered and returned to duty. A health care professional with Correctional Psychiatric Services left the BCSO to take a different job at a medical facility in Dartmouth after recovering. The breakdown of the 43 positive cases is as follows: Nurse (2), K9 Officer (1), Corrections Officer (28), Mental Health Clinician (1), Lieutenant (2), Communications Dispatcher (2), Classification Counselor (3), Sergeant (2), Captain (1) and Teacher (1).

Over the past few months, the Bristol County Sheriff's Office has instituted many protocols to protect inmates, detainees and staff from the Coronavirus outbreak. Some of those measures include:

- All employees, detainees and inmates were issued masks that must be worn inside the secure perimeter of the facilities.
- All areas of the facilities are being cleaned/disinfected every day on every shift.
- All staff members are being screened before entering the buildings; new arriving inmates are being screened before being accepted into custody.
- In-person visitation has been suspended to limit the number of people coming in and out. It will resume, hopefully soon, based on guidance from the Governor's Office, DPH and CDC.

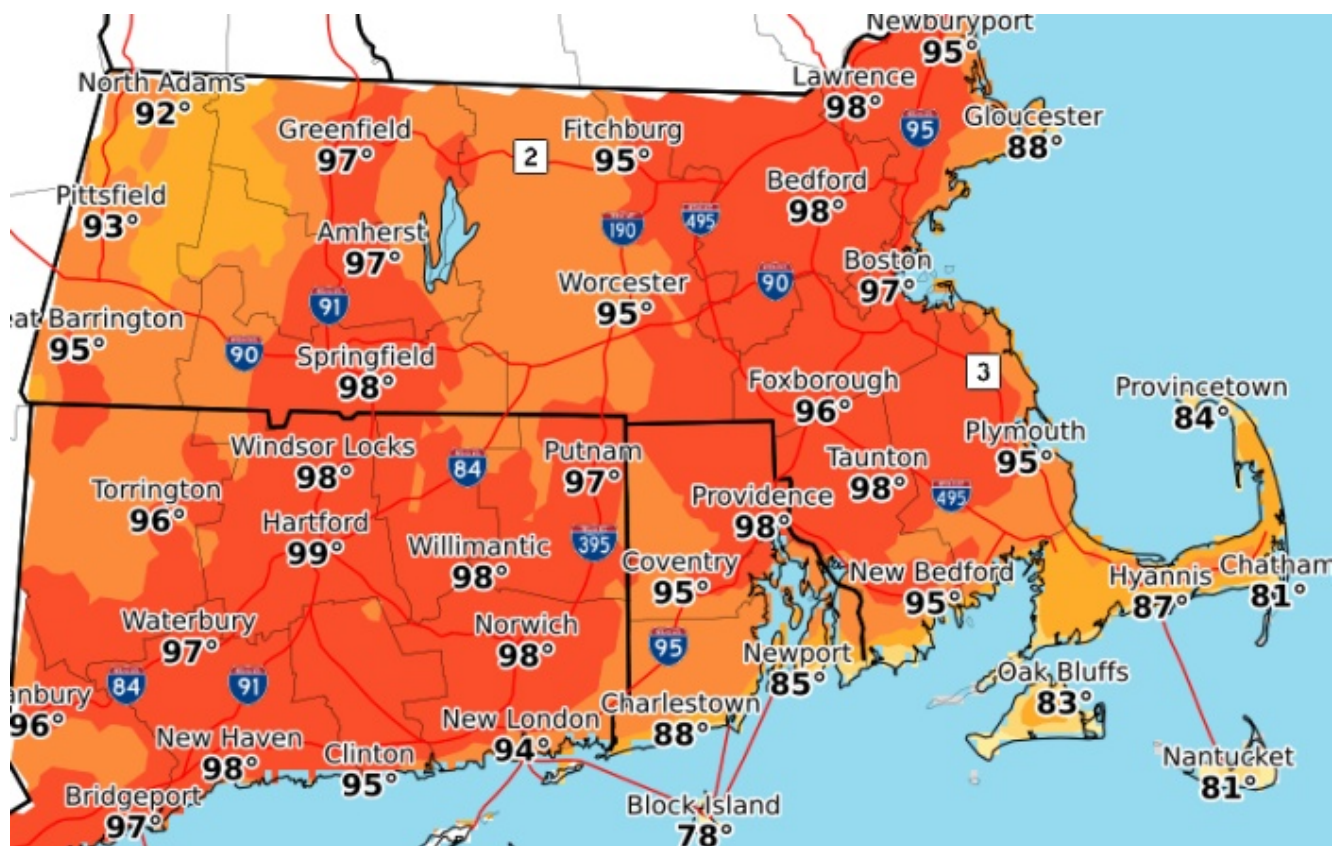
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## Heatwave to hit Massachusetts

# over weekend; New Bedford to experience “feels like” temperatures of 103 degrees

The past few days may have fooled you – we had cool temperatures that dropped into the low 60s – but this weekend nature is sending us a reminder that summer is indeed here with “feels like” temperatures as high as 103 degrees.

What does “feels like” mean? The heat index is related to the saying “It’s not the heat, it’s the humidity.” That means that while the thermometer may read 93 degrees your body experiences a much higher temperature because of the humidity in the air. That’s when you have a constant sweat going on and your clothes are sticking to your skin.



*National Weather Service (Boston) photo.*

The humidity will arrive Friday afternoon through Saturday and increase in intensity with the worst of the heat coming Sunday

into Monday. So be sure that the air conditioner is in the window ready to go and the freon has been recharged.

This sort of heat impacts our pets, children, and the elderly the most. So it's important to monitor them and keep them hydrated, and if you are "longer in the tooth" to keep drinking water. In these types of high temperatures heart attacks, strokes and heat strokes increase in frequency so it is prudent to wait until the extreme heat passes before mowing your lawn – unless you have one of those powered lawnmowers.



*National Weather Service (Boston) photo.*

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## **Domino's is Hiring in New Bedford for a General Manager and Delivery Drivers**

**General Manager/ Assistant Mgr./Shift Leader (New Bedford 836 Ashley Blvd Location.)**

**\$5,000 Sign on Bonus !!** Details will be given during your interview.

This is a Fantastic opportunity with a winning team, and now the #1 Pizza Company in the World!!

It's all about Great people, on a mission to own every customer, in every neighborhood !

**Apply online** or stop in to 836 Ashley Blvd. New Bedford and ask for the Manager.

Online Application: **HERE**

### **Responsibilities Include:**

Team Environment – Promote a team environment by fostering respect, providing coaching and feedback, recognizing achievements, resolving employee concerns and communicating effectively. Hire, train, and develop the right people and plan staffing levels to meet guest and business needs. Continuously learn while passing on knowledge and skills to help others develop and grow. Hold themselves and team accountable for responsibilities and results.

Operations Excellence for Guest Satisfaction – Hold guests as highest priority and role model exceptional guest service. Lead by example and promote an environment where there is a sense of urgency to satisfy guests. Ensure Brand standards and systems are executed. Engage and empower team to develop solutions that drive business results. Complete all required training including ServSafe® certification.

Profitability – Drive sales through effective execution of restaurant standards and marketing initiatives. Delegate and lead processes to control labor costs, food costs, and cash. Ensure the safety and security of team and guests through a focus on preventative maintenance and cleanliness. Analyze restaurant environment and business results to identify opportunities and action plan with their team to set and achieve goals. Comply with all restaurant, Brand, and

franchisee policies.

Qualifications:

## **Skills**

Multi Tasking abilities

Able to clearly express oneself verbally and in writing (English)

Math and financial management

Restaurant, retail, or supervisory experience

Experience preferred.

At least 21 years of age (where applicable)

High school diploma (or equivalent)

Required Competencies

**Offering:** Full time hours, safe, fun, faced paced work place. incentives, paid training with the best program in the fast food industry, so you can succeed. Vacation pay, 5 day work weeks, weekly bonus, opportunity to advance, benefits, and much more. Experience preferred but not required. References a must.

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## **Delivery Driver:**

Your main responsibility is to deliver customers their meal safely! Being a delivery driver is not only fun but pays well! You make your hourly wage as well and daily cash. Your daily cash consists of vehicle reimbursement and all your tips you earned. Nothing better than having cash in your pocket every day! Other responsibilities include answering phones, helping customers in store, prepping, making product, and various cleaning and dishes.

We have full time, part time, mornings, day, nights and weekends available. Ready to Apply?

We do run background checks and motor vehicle records. Please

keep that in mind.

Must be over the age of 21; Must have reliable vehicle.

Great money, great fun, cash daily.... what are waiting for?

Job Types: Full-time, Part-time

**Experience:**

delivery driver: 1 year (Preferred)

**License:**

Food Handler (Preferred)

Driver's (Preferred)

Additional Compensation:

Tips

Store Discounts

**Benefits:**

Health insurance

Retirement plan

Flexible schedule

Job Duties:

Delivering to residential locations

Job Types: Full-time, Part-time

Pay: **\$20.00 per hour**

Apply Here: **Delivery Driver**





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