

# Governor Baker shoots down 'shelter in place order' rumor

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State House News Service

Gov. Charlie Baker shot down rumors Sunday morning that he is planning to order Massachusetts residents to shelter in place for two weeks, saying he had heard those rumors himself as the pandemic spread of coronavirus continues in Massachusetts and around the world.

"We have no plans to do that," Baker told WCVB's Janet Wu during a live interview Sunday morning. When Wu asked if the rumor was "wild speculation," the governor said, "yes."

Meanwhile, Cambridge and Somerville are at least having conversations about taking more aggressive steps to force social distancing at the local level, according to a state rep who serves both cities.

Baker did say, however, that his administration will be asking the Legislature to give him more authority to address the pandemic, including a plan to file legislation Monday related to unemployment insurance for workers and businesses affected by the outbreak.

The governor said he thinks Boston Mayor Martin Walsh "did the right thing" by closing bars in South Boston early Saturday night and for all of Sunday after people crowded into establishments and congregated in long lines outside despite public health experts urging people to distance themselves from others. Baker said he hopes Walsh shuts bars down on Tuesday, too, which is St. Patrick's Day.

The number of positive cases of COVID-19 in Massachusetts stands at 138 on Sunday morning. Baker said Sunday to expect that number to grow in coming days as the state ramps up its testing capacity.

“I think you’re going to see tons more tested and with tons more testing, yeah, you’ll probably see a significant increase in the number of people” who test positive, he said on “On The Record.”

Walsh is going to address the public and press outside City Hall at 3 p.m. Sunday, and the state Department of Public Health is due to release the latest tally of positive cases by 4 p.m.

The Boston City Council late Friday also announced it is closing its City Hall offices to the public until further notice and there’s increasing pressure on Gov. Charlie Baker and education officials to shut down all public schools.

On Friday, Gov. Baker imposed a ban on many gatherings of 250 people or more, but said his administration is not recommending that local school systems cancel classes and close schools unless there is a threat of exposure.

Baker said Friday that banning most concerts, social events and public gatherings will help the state slow the spread of the coronavirus in order to give the health care system a fighting chance at meeting demand. He said the ban does not apply to most workplaces, airports, bus stations, grocery stores, shopping malls and restaurants.

Other news Coronavirus news:

– “Rep. Lynch Information Session: Congressman Stephen Lynch will broadcast – but not open in-person attendance to the public – a Monday discussion with two area doctors about the coronavirus and ways to limit the spread of COVID-19. Dr. Dennis Teehan Jr. of Steward Dedham Primary Care and Dr.

Gabriela Andujar Vazquez, a Tufts Medical Center epidemiologist specializing in infection control, will participate. Lynch's office will broadcast the 1:30 p.m. event on his Facebook page, where comments from viewers will be addressed." – Chris Lisinski 12:06 PM

– "POTUS Schedule: President Donald Trump – whom the White House said Saturday tested negative for COVID-19 after being photographed with a man who later tested positive for the illness – is scheduled to participate in a conference call Sunday afternoon with grocery executive as consumers around the country contend with store shelves bare of toilet paper and other goods amid a surge of Americans stockpiling food and supplies. The president on Saturday declared Sunday a "National Day of Prayer for All Americans Affected by the Coronavirus Pandemic and for our National Response Efforts." At 5 p.m. Sunday, the president's Coronavirus Task Force is expected to hold an on-camera briefing at the White House." – Colin A. Young

– "Cambridge, Somerville Discussing Shutdowns: While Gov. Baker said Sunday he has no plans to announce a statewide mandatory shutdown, Rep. Mike Connolly said the two cities in his district – Cambridge and Somerville – are at least talking about more stringent local closures to force social distancing. Connolly told the News Service that he has had conversations with city officials about mandatory business and school closures and that "measures along these lines are actively being discussed." The representative also joined in circulating a petition on Twitter calling for Baker to order any school, business or other establishment not necessary for COVID-19 response to close. "Voluntary social distancing is not working," the representative wrote. Connolly on Friday signed a letter with 15 other state lawmakers calling for the administration to close all schools in Massachusetts."

– "Santiago ER Update: Ahead of his second of three consecutive overnight shifts working in the emergency room at

Boston Medical Center, Rep. Jon Santiago described what it was like in the busy ER Friday into Saturday during his first shift since the coronavirus outbreak was declared a state and federal emergency. "I wouldn't say I was particularly concerned or alarmed when I walked into the ER but that it was surreal," he said on his social media pages in what he's said will be semi-frequent updates. "I saw friends and colleagues that I've known for years gowned up, wearing protective gear – this was a bit different. Many of the rooms had doors with signs on it saying, 'don't go in unless you're fully gowned with personal protective gear,' something I've never experienced before." Santiago also gave a rundown on why testing has become such a flashpoint in the national conversation around the outbreak and the strategy for combating it. He said the World Health Organization has a test, but that the United States opted to develop its own test with the U.S. Centers for Disease Control. "As a result, we probably lost a couple of weeks in testing," he said. Santiago also praised the many emergency room and hospital workers who are on the front lines of the pandemic. "They do this day in and day out, long before the coronavirus ever existed and they're committed to working and helping the lives of the most vulnerably underserved communities in Boston and in Massachusetts, but it's tricky because things are changing so rapidly," he said." – Colin A. Young

– "Walsh Sunday Presser: Boston Mayor Martin Walsh will hold a coronavirus press conference Sunday afternoon outside City Hall. The mayor's availability comes as bars in South Boston are closed on what is usually one of the busiest days of the year, and after the mayor had already called off the St. Patrick's Day parade that sometimes attracts as many as one million people. The mayor will meet the press at 3 p.m. on City Hall Plaza. The press conference will be streamed live on [boston.gov](http://boston.gov). – Colin A. Young

– "South Boston Bars Closed: There's no parade through South

Boston on Sunday and there will be no bar hopping through the neighborhood either. After photos of long lines and crowds outside bars in South Boston drew scorn and condemnation Saturday, the city closed bars early Saturday night and on Sunday announced that the popular St. Patrick's Day weekend spots will not open Sunday. "SB bars & restaurants will be closed today as part of a voluntary agreement," South Boston City Councilor Ed Flynn tweeted Sunday morning. "Thank you Mayor Walsh, my fellow SB elected officials, neighbors, Licensing Board, license holders in SB for working w/ us & taking these sound proactive measures to protect the public's health." On WCVB on Sunday morning, Gov. Baker said, "I think the city did the right thing. I saw the news on what was going on in South Boston last night, I think the mayor made the right decision." He added, "I hope he shuts it down on Tuesday," which is St. Patrick's Day." – Colin A. Young

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## **Boston Man Convicted of Armed Robbery of Brockton Cellular Phone Store and Shooting at Police**

A Boston man was convicted Thursday by a federal jury in relation to an armed robbery of a T-Mobile store in Brockton, where multiple gunshots were fired at Brockton Police Officers during a high-speed chase.

A jury convicted Diovanni Carter, 30, of Boston, yesterday of conspiracy to commit a robbery affecting interstate commerce, robbery affecting interstate commerce, and use and carrying,

brandishing and discharge of a firearm during and in relation to the robbery. U.S. District Court Judge Allison Burroughs scheduled sentencing for July 7, 2020.

According to the trial testimony, on Jan. 26, 2019, Diovanni Carter orchestrated a plan with three other men to rob a T-Mobile store in Brockton. Diovanni Carter drove the group from Boston to Brockton. When they arrived, the three men went into the store carrying semi-automatic firearms that they pointed at the store manager, demanding cash and electronics, while Diovanni Carter waited in the getaway vehicle. During the robbery, the store manager was struck in the head with the firearm. The three men stole approximately \$25,000 in cash and electronics, left the store, and entered the getaway vehicle driven by Diovanni Carter.

Brockton Police responded and located the getaway vehicle. A high speed chase ensued through residential neighborhoods reaching speeds of over 70 mph. During the chase, Diovanni Carter ordered the other men in the car to fire their weapons at the pursuing police cruisers as part of their effort to escape. In total, at least eight rounds were fired at the police. The suspects then abandoned the car nearby and ran on foot.

During the search by law enforcement, the stolen phones and cash and the three firearms used in robbery were recovered. Darius Carter, Stephan Rosser-Steward and a third man were apprehended shortly after the robbery. They were wearing clothes consistent with those worn in store video surveillance. Diovanni Carter was not apprehended that night.

Through the investigation, a warrant was obtained for Diovanni Carter's arrest, and he remained a fugitive from state charges until March 5, 2019, when he was apprehended.

The charge of interference with commerce by robbery provides for a sentence of up to 20 years in prison, five years of

supervised release and a fine of up to \$ 250,000. The charge of being a felon in possession of ammunition provides for a sentence of no greater than 10 years in prison, three years of supervised release and a fine of up to \$250,000. The charge of use of a firearm during the commission of a crime of violence provides for a sentence of up to life in prison, and a mandatory consecutive term of imprisonment ranging from: five years for the possession of a firearm, seven years for the brandishing of a firearm and 10 years for the discharge of a firearm. Sentences are imposed by a federal district court judge based on the U.S. Sentencing Guidelines and other statutory factors.

U.S. Attorney Lelling; Kelly D. Brady, Special Agent in Charge of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, Boston Field Division; Joseph R. Bonavolonta, Special Agent in Charge of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Boston Field Division; Christopher S. Mason, Superintendent of the Massachusetts State Police; Plymouth County District Attorney Timothy Cruz; Plymouth County Sheriff, Joseph D. McDonald, Jr.; and Brockton Police Chief Emanuel Games, made the announcement. AUSA Glenn MacKinlay Chief of Lelling's Organized Crime and Gang Unit and AUSA Philip Mallard of the Organized Crime and Gang Unit prosecuted the case. Members of the Quincy Police and Boston Police also provided valuable assistance to the investigation.

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## **The South Coast Hot Jobs List – March 15, 2020**

Here are the Hot Jobs in the New Bedford area from the NewBedfordGuide.com jobs database, as of March 08, 2020. Click

the right arrow to browse the next job. Want your job listed here? Contact [leo@newbedfordguide.com](mailto:leo@newbedfordguide.com).

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### **General Manager/Front Desk – Dockside Inn (Oak Bluffs)**

**“Why go to work in the real world this summer when you can be on Martha’s Vineyard?”**

Front desk general manager position for both the Dockside Inn and the Oak Bluffs Land and Wharf Tour company. They will share duties with both companies and will be paid between \$900-\$1100 for a 40 hour commitment per week. **Applicants DO NOT need prior experience in the hotel or hospitality field to apply.**

The job comes with a subsidized 1 bedroom apartment for \$900/Mo with all furnishing, cable, internet and laundry service. It has a full kitchen, private bath and living room dining area. The apartment is located at the Dockside Inn which is less than 100 yards from the nearest beach.

The Job commitment is from April 15-November 1.

Duties include running the daily operations of a boutique hotel and all required duties as well as our sister tour company. This Job is perfect for a recent graduate to get their feet wet in the hospitality business.

Job applicants should email their resume to:  
[DocksideJVT@gmail.com](mailto:DocksideJVT@gmail.com)  
<http://www.vineyardinns.com/>



## **Job Fair – Kilburn Mills (New Bedford)**

**Are you a talented job seeker looking to start your career? Do you have a career but want to switch jobs?**

The Kilburn Event Center – the SouthCoast's premier event facility overlooking beautiful Buzzards Bay, is hosting their annual Kilburn Career Fair on **Thursday, March 19th from 11 AM – 6 PM**. Visit and share our event page with friends: <https://www.facebook.com/events/476039759725282/>

Participants will be featuring and offering potential employment positions in the areas of Lodging, Tourism, Recreation, Amusement, Restaurant, Food & Beverage, Casino, Country Club, Food Service and Healthcare. Supervisory as well as Management positions will also be available.

This event is for all ages and skill levels, from local high school students and graduates, to college graduates with specific degrees and skill sets, and will allow job seekers

the opportunity to interact with a large number of local hiring managers and representatives.



Kilburn is excited to bring a variety of businesses under one roof and hope you'll join us! Our goal is get you in the job of your dreams for 2020!

Kilburn Mills Event Center  
127 West Rodney French Blvd.  
New Bedford MA 02744

**Are you an employer looking to hire? VENDOR SPACE IS NOW AVAILABLE**

Reserve your booth by contacting [kellie@kilburnmill.com](mailto:kellie@kilburnmill.com) or by calling (508) 990-3500 for more information.



## **Machine Operator/Extrusion – Atkore International (New Bedford)**

Atkore International Group Inc. is a leading manufacturer of Electrical Raceway products, primarily for the non-residential construction and renovation markets, and Mechanical Products & Solutions for the construction and industrial markets. Our mission is to be the customer's first choice for electrical raceway and mechanical products and solutions, by providing unmatched quality, delivery and value based on sustainable excellence in strategy, people and processes.

Our business is comprised of two reporting segments, Electrical Raceway and Mechanical Products & Solutions, with total annual revenue of \$1.6 B. Electrical Raceway has 2 business units, Cable Solutions and Conduit & Fittings, totaling just over \$1B in annual revenue. Mechanical Products is a stand-alone business unit with about \$600M in annual revenue.

Our global locations include 58 manufacturing and distribution centers in the US, Canada, the United Kingdom, China, Australia, and New Zealand with over 3,600 employees.

AFC Cable Systems, a part of Atkore International, currently

has openings for a 2nd Shift Machine Operator in our New Bedford, MA facility. Most openings will be 2nd Shift (4pm – Midnight), Monday through Friday (occasional Saturdays may be required) however training may take place on any shift. The starting pay is 17.70 per hour.

The primary responsibilities of this role include set up, operation, inspection and adjustment of large machinery. Performs operations on assigned machines. May perform simple or routine set-ups. Notifies machine set-up/adjuster if more complex tool or machine adjustments are required. Operates computer console as needed. Uses simple measurement instruments to check work. Completion of necessary paperwork and maintaining clean and organized work area.

**Requirements:**

- High school diploma or equivalent required.
- Previous experience working in a fast-paced manufacturing environment strongly preferred.
- Ability to read and interpret documents such as safety rules, operating and maintenance instructions.
- Must have the ability to understand, and carry out verbal and written instructions in English.
- Ability to meet physical requirements including: a variety of standing, sitting and walking throughout the day.
- Must be capable of lifting, pulling or pushing at least 50 lbs.
- Must be willing to work in a fast paced manufacturing environment; ability to withstand loud noises, strong smells and extreme temperatures.
- Must possess basic skills in order to maintain safe operation as required by particular job task.
- Must keep working area neat and orderly.
- Must be willing to work overtime.
- Must have dependability, good attendance and strong work ethic.
- The ability to align with our core values – Accountability,

Teamwork, Integrity, Respect, Excellence.

### **Our Culture Drives Value**

Atkore's culture is created from the disciplined use of the Atkore Business System (ABS), which is a critical part of our mission and a foundational system based on excellence in People, Strategy, and Processes, tied together with Lean Daily Management (LDM) to manage and sustain the business we have today, and Strategy Deployment Process (SDP) to create the business we aspire to become.

Having the right talent in the right roles enables successful ABS execution, improves our customer's experience, and delivers breakthrough results. Said another way, that's how we win!

### **Great Leaders Drive Value**

Atkore is committed to creating an engaged and aligned workplace that helps drive an accountable and performance-based culture. Our team possesses a willingness to strive for breakthrough results, stays focused on being standout leaders, and fully supports decisions of the Company after robust debate. We consistently live the Atkore mission, learn our strategic priorities and link behaviors to those priorities, all in a way that's consistent with our core values. Together, we build stronger leaders and improve customer satisfaction which positively increases the overall value of the enterprise.

### **Atkore Delivers Value to You**

Atkore International is an Equal Opportunity Employer and does not discriminate because of age, color, disability, ethnicity, marital or family status, national origin, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, military veteran status, or any other characteristic protected by law.

Atkore International is a diverse company that believes its employees are the foundation for investing in its future,

through the understanding that awareness and acceptance of our individual difference enhance inclusion and promote engagement and alignment. Diversity and inclusion are keys to growing our business and providing a work environment that fosters contributions by all employees.

Our dedicated employees are recognized for their commitment to our customers and making our company better than it was the day before. Join our team and align yourself with an industry leader!

Interested in applying? See full details and how to apply [here](#)

### **Warehouse Worker/Package Handler – UPS (Dartmouth)**

**Shift:** Sunrise (4:00 AM – 9:00 AM), Night (11:30 PM – 3:30 AM)

Find out what you'll become as a Package Handler at UPS. In this fast-paced warehouse job, you'll lift, lower and slide packages up to 70 lbs. You'll typically work 3 ½ – 4 hour shifts, approximately 17 ½ – 20 hours per week in this part-time or seasonal role. As part of the UPS team, you'll receive a competitive hourly rate and an attractive benefits package. Take the next step on your career journey as a Package Handler/Warehouse Worker at UPS.

If you're a student at an approved college, university, trade or technical school, UPS offers an educational assistance program that could provide you with up to \$25,000 for tuition, books and fees. If you qualify, you'll be eligible for the program on your first day of work at UPS.

UPS is an equal opportunity employer. UPS does not discriminate on the basis of race/color/religion/sex/national origin/veteran/disability/age/sexual orientation/gender identity or any other characteristic protected by law

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## **Cannabis Sales Consultant – PharmaCannis (Wareham)**

The Cannabis Sales Consultant is responsible for creating a world class customer experience for each and every customer who walks in the store. It will promote a work environment that is positive, customer service-oriented and compliant. This position is accountable for executing initiatives that achieve all hospitality goals at PharmaCann.

This includes responsibility for compliance with all policy and procedures and all other operational objectives of the business, as well as executing visual standards and presentation needs to customer requirements, product performance, along with sales and marketing objectives. The ideal candidate should be passionate about their role and have a strong willingness to help people become educated about cannabis.

### **Duties and responsibilities or (Essential Functions)**

- Meet & Exceed personal sales volume and KPI goals
- Assist in building a great company and business that disrupts the traditional retail model and embrace change
- Add value to the team by being authentic and confident self-leader who strives to execute our world class hospitality program.
- Drive repeat business through strong local networking and customer data capture, patient confidence inspiration and building of patient loyalty
- Execute high customer experience standards, to include a world class culture and industry leading customer engagement through strong sales techniques and product knowledge
- Accountable for accurately utilizing PharmaCann's Point of Sale system
- Execute PharmaCann's dispensary protocols including safety protocols
- Other duties as assigned by the General Manager.

### **Qualifications**

- Minimum 21 years of age
- Minimum 2 years' experience with customer service in retail
- Strong analytical skills to assess data, facts and figures
- Intermediate-level math skills
- Strong Computer-based skills
- Dynamic interpersonal and communication skills
- Business-minded personality
- A highly self-motivated and ethical individual

### **Working conditions**

- This job operates in a professional store environment. This role routinely uses standard office equipment such as computers, phones, and photocopiers.
- This position requires weekends, nights and holiday work availability.
- May require minimal travel.

### **Physical requirements**

While performing the duties of this job, the employee is regularly required to talk and hear. This employee is frequently required to stand, walk, use hands or feet, reach with hands and arms and may be required to lift a up to 50 pounds.

### **Additional Information**

All your information will be kept confidential according to EEO guidelines.

PharmaCann, LLC provides equal employment opportunities (EEO) to all employees and applicants for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age disability or genetics. We value diversity, military service, and law enforcement experience. Compensation is competitive and will be commensurate with experience. Benefits are available.

Interested in applying? See full details and how to apply [here](#)

**Sales Consultant/Computing – Best Buy (Dartmouth)**

## **What does a Sales Consultant do?**

The Sales Consultant ensures Best Buy delivers a world-class customer experience as THE destination and authority for technology products and services. You will provide velocity and solution support to solve customer needs to ensure that no customer is left unserved or underserved.

## **As the Sales Consultant you will:**

- Implement assigned responsibilities from store leadership in outlet area to engage customers using selling skills to build complete, connected solutions while maintaining a balance of high velocity and high service.
- Ensure inventory and merchandising standards are maintained in outlet store area.
- Demonstrate excellence in execution of selling skills, and selling strategy as evidenced by coaching forms and Customer Metrics (NPS and Mystery Shops).
- Support sales strategies in partnership with the Sales Manager to achieve operating results, growth objectives, and overall financial performance goals.

## **What are the Professional Requirements of a Sales Consultant?**

- Ability to work successfully as part of a team
- Ability to work a flexible schedule inclusive of holidays, nights and weekends
- 3 months experience working in customer service, sales or related fields

## **What are my rewards and benefits?**

Surrounded by the latest and greatest technology, a team of amazing coworkers and a work environment where anything is possible, you'll find it easy to be your best when you work at Best Buy. While you're making technology work for our customers, we're making sure Best Buy works for you with our pay for performance philosophy. At Best Buy we offer top salaries for management, including both short and long term incentive plans based upon business results, as well as endless opportunities to grow in a dynamic work environment

that's part of an industry that never sleeps. From tuition reimbursement to deep employee discounts, to health, wealth and wellness benefits, we believe the success of our company depends on the passion of employees for learning, technology and people.

Interested in applying? See full details and how to apply [here](#)

### **Self Checkout Host/Cashier – Wal-mart (Fairhaven)**

*Part-time, \$12.75 /hour*

We want you to be apart of our Wal-mart Front End Team! Please apply at <https://careers.walmart.com>, select "Walmart Store Jobs," select "Cashier/Front End" and proceed through assessments required to determine your hiring eligibility.

#### **Self Check Out Host:**

- Maintains area of responsibility in accordance with company policies and procedures by properly handling claims and returns
- Zoning the area; arranging and organizing merchandise and supplies;
- Identifying shrink and damages
- Ensuring a safe work environment
- Operates equipment and maintains functionality of self-checkout area by ensuring self check out (SCO) registers are operational (for example, ordering, stocking, reloading receipt paper), encouraging customers to use self checkouts
- Explaining functionality of the registers and current updates
- Directing customers with smaller baskets to SCO kiosks and those with larger baskets to belted lanes
- Assisting customers with questions and register prompts
- Keying items Universal Product Code (UPCC)
- Suspending transactions and completing transactions as needed.

#### **Job Description:**

- Presents information to small or large groups and individuals.
- Sits or stands for long periods of time.
- Communicates effectively in person or by using telecommunications equipment.
- Grasps, turns, and manipulates objects of varying size and weight, requiring fine motor skills and hand-eye coordination.
- Visually verifies information, often in small print.
- Reads information, often in small print.
- Visually locates merchandise and other objects.
- Visually inspects equipment.
- Reaches overhead and below the knees, including bending, twisting, pulling, and stooping.
- Moves, lifts, carries, and places merchandise and supplies weighing up to 25 pounds without assistance.

**Experience:**

- Customer service: 1 year (Preferred)
- Cashiering: 1 year (Preferred)

**Additional Compensation:**

- Bonuses
- Store Discounts

**Benefits:**

- Health insurance
- Dental insurance
- Vision insurance
- Retirement plan
- Paid time off
- Other

**Hours per week:**

- 10-19
- 20-29

**Pay Frequency:**

- Bi-weekly or Twice monthly

**This Company Describes Its Culture as:**

- Detail-oriented – quality and precision-focused
- Innovative – innovative and risk-taking
- Outcome-oriented – results-focused with strong performance culture
- Stable – traditional, stable, strong processes
- People-oriented – supportive and fairness-focused
- Team-oriented – cooperative and collaborative

**This Job Is:**

- A job for which military-experienced candidates are encouraged to apply
- Open to applicants who do not have a high school diploma/GED
- A good fit for applicants with gaps in their resume, or who have been out of the workforce for the past 6 months or more
- A good job for someone just entering the workforce or returning to the workforce with limited experience and education
- A job for which all ages, including older job seekers, are encouraged to apply
- Open to applicants who do not have a college diploma

**Schedule:**

- Weekends required
- Other

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**Utility Worker – Veolia North America (New Bedford)**

\*Union Role

\*Swing shift; (2) midnights, (3) 3-11's

**Main Job Duties:**

- Cleans process tanks, galleries, drains, culverts, structures, and process spills and upset as required. Cleans facility grounds, maintains roadways, walkways, fencing, gates and parking areas and removes litter using brooms and rakes.

- Cleans out drainage, culverts and gutters using shovel and rakes. Digs and/or refills ditches and holes. Breaks, removes, and repairs concrete. Collects and disposes of trash and other waste materials. Uses snow removal equipment as required.
- Maintains appearance of plant grounds by cutting, trimming or weeding grass, shrubs, trees and ornamental planting beds.
- Washes and cleans vehicles. Performs clean up and housekeeping tasks for work area, tools and equipment.
- Operates machinery, vehicles, material handling equipment and tools as necessary to move materials and supplies. Loads and unloads vehicles, carts, trailers and other equipment as required. Moves parts, equipment, boxes and/or furniture from one

**Requirements:**

- HS Diploma or GED required
- Must have a have the ability to read, write and comprehend English (operational, process, safety and quality instructions).
- Ability to perform basic math.
- At least six months years experience in a related position and environment preferred.
- Experience with a variety of machinery, vehicles, material handling equipment, hand and power tools preferred. Must have ability to quickly learn how to safely operate specialized machinery for care of roads, grounds, galleries, structures and facilities.
- Must demonstrate ability to work in a team environment and willingness to assume additional or new responsibilities readily.
- Must have a valid driver's license with a safe driving record.

Job Type: Full-time

Salary: \$23.62 to \$25.98 /hour

**Benefits:**

- Health insurance

- Dental insurance
- Vision insurance
- Paid time off

#### **Schedule:**

- Night shift
- Overnight shift

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#### **Legal Secretary/Paralegal – Horan McLean Law (New Bedford)**

*Full-time, \$30,000.00 to \$50,000.00 /year*

Very busy Southcoast law firm – immediate need experienced legal secretary, experience in family law, estate planning and administration and general law practice management. Must be proficient in Word, Outlook, excellent typing skills, able to multi-task, excellent client relationship skills, team player.

- Provide administrative support to one or more lawyers
- Greet visitors and perform initial screening of clients
- Answer phone calls, take notes/messages and redirect calls when appropriate
- Produce and file various legal documents such as pleadings, motions, agreements
- Knowledge of Court system and dealing with court personnel including clerk's office and staff
- Prepare and review discovery
- Familiarity with domestic relations law and Pleadings
- Estate planning and administration skills
- Attention to Detail
- Excellent Computer Skills
- Ability to multitask

#### **Experience:**

- Typing: 1 year (Preferred)
- Customer Relationship Management: 1 year (Preferred)
- Microsoft Word: 1 year (Preferred)

- Family Law: 1 year (Preferred)
- Microsoft Outlook: 1 year (Preferred)

**Minimum Previous Legal Responsibility:**

- Intermediate (Preferred)

**Additional Compensation:**

- Bonuses

**Benefits:**

- Health insurance
- Paid time off

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**Dishwasher – The Black Whale**

Exciting New Bedford Waterfront Restaurant! As a Dishwasher, you are a valuable member of the heart of the house team! You will be a member of a cohesive team that supports each other's success in a fast-paced environment.

**What you will do:**

- Maintain the flow of all of the restaurant washables.
- Ensure that everything is cleaned properly for preparing and serving food to our guests.
- Deep all station floors, counters, tools, cutting boards, and preparation surfaces clean and sanitized at all times.

**Perks of the job:**

- Great pay
- Flexible Schedules
- 50% off food
- Growth Opportunities
- A Dishwasher is responsible for serving our guests with unparalleled hospitality to create unforgettable guest and team member experiences every day! If this sounds like you, please apply today!

## **REQUIREMENTS**

- Ability to understand and follow direction from others.
- Ability to work in a high-volume, fast-paced work environment.

Interested in applying? See full details and how to apply [here](#)

## **Greeter – Speedee Oil Change & Auto Service (New Bedford)**

### **Job Description:**

The Greeter is responsible for establishing and maintaining good customer relations, accurately completing written work orders, providing customers with excellent service and serving as the initial customer contact point.

### **Responsibilities include but aren't limited to:**

- Greeting the customer
- Writing up customer and vehicle information
- Performing all duties of the Fluid Services Technician as needed
- Presenting maintenance service options to customers

### **Requirements:**

- Commitment to excellence at all levels of service
- Automotive and retail experience helpful
- Cheerful and friendly communication skills
- Enthusiastic attitude and strong work ethic
- Clean and neat appearance
- Clear and effective telephone skills
- Valid state driver's license

Interested in applying? See full details and how to apply [here](#)

## **Sales Associate – Hot Topic Inc. (Dartmouth)**

Join the loudest store in the mall! We're looking for music and pop culture fanatics to help create the best experience for our customers. As a Hot Topic Sales Associate, you'll be a

huge part of our success by providing the best customer service, ensuring that fellow fans are able to get their hands on the Merch they love. You'll share your fandom knowledge, stock and replenish product, and help merchandise the store in a visually appealing way, all while being hyper focused on the in-store experience.

### **WHAT YOU'LL DO**

- Provide an amazing shopping experience that will encourage customers to return. They'll be impressed by your product knowledge, customer experience skills and use of the Force
- Cover the sales floor zone and ensure that assigned areas are up to visual standards
- Work the register; you'll process sales transactions and use your fandom knowledge to drive add on sales
- Assist with planogram changes including store map, wall, fixture, & merchandising mix
- Let your voice be heard! You'll communicate fashion & music trend information to management and respective HQ partners
- While we welcome wizards, we don't like it when spells are stolen. You'll work with Store Management to ensure there's no misuse of spells and wizardry around theft
- Support the maintenance of the mother ship; you'll help keep the stock room organized and the store tidy
- Any other activities as assigned by your Store Leader

### **WHAT YOU'LL NEED**

- Previous experience working in a retail environment. If you love music and pop culture, you're in the right place!
- Superpowers in providing customer service and selling
- You'll have to be at least 16 years of age to join the fandom force
- Avenger like collaboration and communication skills
- The usual retail stuff: able to stand and walk around during scheduled hours, reaching for Merch using ladder, step stool and poles. You'll also have to be able to move around boxes awesome merchandise that may weigh up to 50 pounds

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### **Team Member – Domino's Pizza**

*Part-time, \$12.75 to \$14.00 /hour*

You got game? You got spring in your step? You want the best job in the world! And schedules that work with you, not against you? That's right, we live to beat the rush and make it possible to make, bake or take pizzas during the hungry hours of the day and night, part or full time. You'll have plenty of time left over for school, hanging with your friends, or whatever. Sound good? Even if you just need a second job for some extra cash, Domino's Pizza is the perfect place for you.

We are searching for qualified Team Members with personality and people skills. We're growing so fast it's hard to keep up, and that means Domino's has lots of ways for you to grow (if that's what you want), perhaps to management, perhaps beyond. Whether it's your hobby, main-gig, or supplemental job, drop us a line. We're bound to have just the thing for you.

We take pride in our team members and our team members take pride in Domino's Pizza! Being the best pizza delivery company in the world requires exceptional team members working together. At Domino's Pizza, our people come first!

#### **As part of our crew, your responsibilities will include:**

- Operating all equipment.
- Stocking ingredients from delivery area to storage, work area, walk-in cooler.
- Preparing products
- Receiving and processing telephone orders.
- Taking inventory and completing associated paperwork.
- Cleaning equipment and facility approximately daily.
- We offer flexible scheduling and competitive wages for all team members.

Domino's is an equal opportunity employer.

## REQUIREMENTS

- Must be 18 years of age or older
- Ability to comprehend and give correct written instructions.
- Ability to communicate verbally with customers and co-workers to process orders both over the phone and in person.
- Ability to add, subtract, multiply, and divide accurately and quickly (may use calculator).
- Must be able to make correct monetary change.
- Verbal, writing, and telephone skills to take and process orders.
- Motor coordination between eyes and hands/fingers to rapidly and accurately make precise movements with speed.
- Ability to enter orders using a computer keyboard or touch screen.

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# Massachusetts State Troopers Investigating Death Aboard Incoming Flight; Will be tested for Coronavirus

At approximately 12:30 p.m. Friday Massachusetts State Police at Troop F were notified that a passenger was in cardiac

arrest aboard Emirates Flight EK237 enroute from Dubai to Boston. The passenger was a 59-year-old male from Worcester.

MSP Troopers, Boston EMS, and Massport Firefighters responded to Gate E11 to await arrival. Emirates EK237 arrived at approximately 2:55 p.m. and all other passengers exited the aircraft.

At approximately 3 p.m. Boston EMS determined the passenger who had been ill was deceased. His cause and manner of death is pending autopsy results.

Subsequent investigation by MSP Troop F and the State Police Detective Unit for Suffolk County, with assistance from Customs and Border Protection, determined the following:

1. The male traveled from Boston to Chennai, India on March 4, 2020 and had a layover in Dubai prior to his return flight;
2. The male had been sick with gastrointestinal problems for several days prior to and including the day of his death;
3. According to his next-of-kin, the male did not have any pre-existing medical conditions.

In light of the man's international travel, the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner in an abundance of caution will test for COVID-19 as part of its post-mortem examination. The State Police investigation remains open while we await those autopsy results.

State Police investigators obtained a flight manifest for Emirates EK237 as part of the ongoing investigation. The manifest appears to indicate approximately 322 passengers and 18 crew members were aboard the plane, a Boeing 777.

COVID-19 symptoms generally involve fever, sore throat, coughing, shortness of breath, and ultimately severe chest congestion.

Members of the public can learn more about COVID-19 by going to [www.mass.gov/coronavirus](http://www.mass.gov/coronavirus)

Information on the Outbreak of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) The Massachusetts Department of Public Health is working closely with the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to provide updated information about the novel coronavirus outbreak. [www.mass.gov](http://www.mass.gov)

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## **First case of coronavirus hits Bristol County**

Here are the coronavirus numbers by county in Massachusetts as of Saturday, March 14. There is now one case in Bristol County, but the exact location has not been reported.

Out of 138 total cases, 104 are from a Biogen meeting in Cambridge held in late February. Of the 138 cases, only 11 needed to be hospitalized.



Source: Massachusetts Public Health.

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## **Massachusetts Public Health Announces New Clinical Protocols for Coronavirus**

# Testing

The Baker-Polito Administration continues to take action to expedite COVID-19 testing and ensure access to treatment. The Department of Public Health (DPH) and MassHealth released guidance related to access to clinical testing and care, respectively, in response to COVID-19. This announcement was made this morning at a press conference where Governor Baker announced the creation of a new COVID-19 Response Command Center.

Under DPH's new clinical guidance, clinicians no longer need to receive testing approval from the State Lab prior to submitting specimens for patients that meet the following specific criteria:

- Symptomatic health care workers and emergency medical services personnel who have worked while sick
- Hospitalized individuals suspected of having COVID-19 infection
- Individuals who have had close contact with someone with confirmed COVID-19 while symptomatic in congregate settings and clusters of acute respiratory illness in congregate settings
- Those with symptoms linked to recent travel to high-risk countries

For patients who do not meet these criteria, clinicians will continue to follow the existing protocols – call the EPI line to gain testing approval and then submit specimens to the State Lab.

Additional changes to procedures include that clinicians only need to collect one specimen type for testing at both the State Lab and commercial labs. This change was based on new CDC guidance that now requires one nasal swab instead of two. As clinicians change their practice and follow the new

guidance, this change will allow more individuals to be tested.

Clinicians can also send specimens from suspected COVID-19 patients without approval from DPH to commercial labs that received federal approval to conduct COVID-19 testing.

The Department of Public Health will be releasing the number of people tested for COVID-19 in Massachusetts Beginning on Wednesday, March 18. Updated numbers will be provided weekly by 12pm on [mass.gov/COVID19](https://mass.gov/COVID19). This is in addition to daily case updates posted online at 4pm.

MassHealth – Massachusetts' Medicaid program – released new policies to provide guidance and clarification for MassHealth plans to ensure access to care in response to COVID-19. These policies expand telehealth coverage, allow 90-day refills of prescriptions and early refills, make billing for COVID-19 tests easier for providers, and remind providers that there are no copays for lab tests and pharmacies that they cannot deny medications if a member cannot pay. This announcement follows other focused efforts by Massachusetts to ensure that residents can access coverage for testing and treatment for COVID-19, including the Massachusetts Health Connector announced a special enrollment period to ensure everyone who wants access to covered coronavirus services has it, and the Division of Insurance announced that Massachusetts health insurers are now required to cover the cost of testing and treatment for members who may be affected by the COVID-19.

The public is reminded that real-time COVID-19 information, resources, and referrals in multiple languages can be found by calling Massachusetts 2-1-1. Callers dialing 2-1-1 will hear an automated menu of options. Callers press 2-6 for coronavirus. Residents can also reach 2-1-1 through a live chat option on the Massachusetts 2-1-1 website. Through this partnership with Massachusetts 2-1-1 announced yesterday, DPH subject matter experts are expanding access to information

24/7, and empowering call operators to provide the latest information about prevention, symptoms, and treatment, information about testing, and guidance for travel. This new service is in addition to a dedicated site [mass.gov/COVID19](https://mass.gov/COVID19), which is updated daily with information and resources.

Governor Charlie Baker declared a State of Emergency to support the Commonwealth's response to coronavirus. The Administration has updated guidance to the general public, specifically urging older adults and those with health issues to avoid large crowds and events. The Administration also released new policies to protect individuals in long-term care facilities, and those served in community-based and congregate care settings from respiratory illnesses.

Individuals who live in households with vulnerable people, like elderly parents, should also consider avoiding crowds to mitigate risk. This guidance is posted on the Department of Public Health's website, [mass.gov/COVID19](https://mass.gov/COVID19).

The public is reminded of steps to take to limit the spread of COVID-19:

- Cover your mouth – when you cough or sneeze use a tissue or your inner elbow, not your hands
- Wash your hands – with soap and warm water or use an alcohol-based sanitizing gel
- Stay home if you are sick – and avoid close contact with others

The Administration will continue to update the public on further developments and individuals are encouraged to consult both the Department of Public Health and the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention websites for the most up to date information.

The latest information and guidance regarding COVID-19 is always available at [mass.gov/COVID19](https://mass.gov/COVID19).

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# Massachusetts casinos closing for two weeks as coronavirus prevention measure

By Colin A. Young  
State House News Service

Massachusetts gaming regulators and its licensees agreed to a two-week shutdown of the state's slots parlor and two resorts casinos Saturday and are working to finalize the plan as state government takes serious steps to try to staunch the spread of the coronavirus that's infected 123 people in the state.

Gaming operations are expected to cease by late Saturday night and other operations at the casinos – hotels, restaurants, clubs and retail shops – would have to shut down by Sunday under the plan the commission authorized its staff to put into writing for final approval. Another meeting is expected to finalize the plan.

The casino operators said they would need some time to ensure the closures are orderly and safe, and to rebook overnight guests at other hotels.

The Mass. Gaming Commission held an emergency meeting via conference call at 10 a.m. Saturday morning to discuss the "operational status of gaming licensees in light of the coronavirus." Representatives from Plainridge Park Casino in Plainville, MGM Springfield and Encore Boston Harbor in Everett participated in the call and each business said it was fully on board with the commission's action.

Commission staffers said discussions around the plan were

collaborative with the casino companies and evolved over the last few weeks. Interim Executive Director Karen Wells said the licensees agreed to “an orderly closure from the commission.”

Brian Gullbrants, president of Encore Boston Harbor, said he thinks it is “prudent at this time to pause our operations.” A representative of MGM Springfield said the company is “fully supportive of whatever your decision may be.”

The change will have economic impacts on the state’s coffers, and the pocketbooks of the thousands of people who have found jobs in the relatively young Massachusetts gaming world. All three companies pledged during Saturday’s meeting to pay its full-time employees during the two-week shutdown.

The commission is due to publish February revenue figures on Monday, but the state can typically rely on about \$21 million in monthly revenue from its three gambling halls.

Commissioner Eileen O’Brien called the decision “the only prudent thing to do” given the public health emergency.

“I agree that we need to be better safe than sorry,” commissioner Enrique Zuniga said.

The commission said its operations staff will coordinate with the casinos to figure out the fine details of the “orderly closure” and expects to hold another meeting this weekend to discuss those details.

All three facilities said they expect to maintain a small team of staff – management and security, mostly – during the closures.

Around the country, other states have shut down or limited casino operations as American society adjusts to social distancing in a public health emergency.

Illinois on Friday suspended riverboat casino operations and

Ohio ordered its gaming facilities to either close or keep the number of customers and workers present below 100.

On Friday, Gov. Charlie Baker banned most gatherings of 250 people or more, the Catholic Church in Boston suspended Masses until further notice and many local school systems have canceled classes for at least a week. In Boston's case, schools will likely be closed until late April.

Sporting events, concerts, theater performances and conferences have been called off. A massive chunk of the state's workforce is adjusting to working remotely and state agencies like the Gaming Commission are operating in uncharted waters.

Saturday morning's unusual virtual emergency meeting was made possible by the fact that Baker this week suspended parts of the Open Meeting Law in an attempt to allow government to function without putting people in physical proximity of one another.

The commission posted a public notice of the meeting – including the dial-in information for any member of the public who wanted to “attend” the meeting – around 11 p.m. Friday.

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## **Alma del Mar Charter School will be closed March 16-17 due to Coronavirus**

The following is a press release from Will Gardner, Executive Director Alma del Mar Charter School in New Bedford:

“Out of an abundance of caution, Alma del Mar will be closed

Monday, March 16 and Tuesday, March 17. Alma staff will spend these days further assessing the rapidly changing situation surrounding the Coronavirus, and whether we need to close school for an extended period of time. Any updates will be communicated to families through mass text, social media, and [www.almadelmar.org](http://www.almadelmar.org)

As of this writing, there are no confirmed or suspected cases of coronavirus in our schools, or in the city of New Bedford. We are making this difficult decision in order to prioritize the health and safety of our community.

Today, March 13, scholars have been sent home with homework packets in the case of an extended closure. Our goal for this at-home work is that it will be independent and not require the use of the internet, a computer, or a phone. Should we need to close school for a more extended period, we will be in touch with additional work for scholars and resources for at-home learning.

We recognize that many of our scholars, families, and staff are increasingly concerned about the COVID-19 situation. Our Leadership Team and Operations Teams are working diligently to ensure we have a thoughtful response. At the same time, we realize what a strain our schools' closure for any period puts on families and working parents. We do not make this decision lightly. We want to do our part to ensure we are protecting the public and mitigating community spread of infectious disease.

We recommend that all scholars, families, and staff follow all public health guidelines from the Massachusetts Department of Health and the CDC. Medical questions and concerns should be brought to a school nurse, your own doctor, or the Massachusetts Department of Public Health at 617-983-6800.

Thank you for your help to keep our community healthy and safe. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to

contact any school leader.”

New Bedford Public Schools will be closed until March 23. Details [here](#).

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## **New Bedford Public Schools to close until at least March 23 due to Coronavirus**

Effective immediately, as a preventative action New Bedford Public Schools will close through at least Friday, March 20, 2020, Superintendent Thomas Anderson announced late today. “Out of an abundance of caution and to support the effort to stem the potential spread of coronavirus in our region, New Bedford Public Schools will be closed Monday, March 16 through Friday, March 20, 2020. Schools are currently scheduled to reopen on Monday, March, 23, 2020. This action is being taken after close consultation with all other school districts in our region and across Massachusetts, the Mayor’s office and City officials.”

Due to rolling cancellations across Massachusetts and Rhode Island, the likelihood of mass absenteeism has increased significantly since the City of New Bedford’s announcement earlier this morning. New Bedford Public Schools will ensure that students’ learning remains a priority during the city’s state of emergency.

While schools are closed, students and their families will receive updates and information regarding academic opportunities and services such as school-provided meals. New Bedford Public Schools will continue to keep families informed

via social media and announcements.

All central office and school administrators as well as all 12-month personnel, including facilities and maintenance staff, will report to work as scheduled. All other staff do not need to report during this time.

NBPS encourages students to make every effort to continue their learning by reading as much as possible. This adjusts the last day of school to Wednesday, June 24, 2020.

While Monday, March 23, is the designated reopening date, Superintendent Anderson advised students, staff and families to continue to closely monitor the NBPS website, district social media, and local media outlets for any updates to closure status during this rapidly evolving situation. The closings are effective Monday, March 16; SATs scheduled for this weekend will remain available for students who have signed up and plan to complete the tests.

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## **Massachusetts State Troopers Subdue Child Porn, Drug Suspect; Weapons Discharged**

Based on intelligence obtained regarding the location of fugitive ENRIQUE GONZALEZ, 42, members of the Massachusetts State Police Violent Fugitive Apprehension Section (VFAS) and elements of the MSP Special Tactical Operations Team (STOP) – including STOP Troopers and one of the STOP Team's canines – this morning established surveillance at the Express Inn on Riverdale Street in West Springfield.

The purpose of their operation was to arrest GONZALEZ, a Framingham man who is the subject of two warrants: 1.) a warrant obtained from Worcester District Court charging him with photographing a child in a sexual manner, and 2.) a warrant obtained from Worcester Superior Court charging him with possession of cocaine with intent to distribute, subsequent offense.

MSP VFAS Troopers had developed further information indicating that GONZALEZ was likely armed.

Shortly before noon, Troopers observed GONZALEZ exit the motel room directly into the parking lot and attempt to enter a parked car. As he did so, STOP Team Troopers converged and ordered him to surrender. GONZALEZ instead began to run along the sidewalk toward the rear of the motel.

The investigation indicates that during GONZALEZ's attempt to flee he fired a handgun at the Troopers. The Troopers returned fire, striking the suspect.

After GONZALEZ fell to the ground and was secured, two tactical medics from UMass Medical Center in Worcester – who are attached to the STOP Team to provide emergency medical support – provided emergency medical treatment to the suspect. GONZALEZ, who was conscious and alert after being shot, was stabilized and then transported to Baystate Medical Center in Springfield.

GONZALEZ will remain under police guard at the hospital until he is released into MSP custody.

No Troopers were injured in the incident.

Troopers from the State Police Crime Scene Services Section and the MSP ballistics unit responded to process the scene for physical evidence. A firearm was recovered at the scene.

Troopers from the State Police Detective Unit for Hampden

County also responded to the scene and will lead the police investigation into the incident. As with any police-involved shooting in Hampden County, District Attorney Anthony D. Gulluni will oversee the investigation and review the propriety of the use of force. Any media inquiries about that investigation or the timing of the suspect's arraignment should be directed to the district attorney's office.