New Bedford cold weather overflow shelter open tonight, December 20

Due to the continued weather conditions, the overflow will be opened again tonight. All inquiries can be forwarded to Sister Rose House and 1-800-homeless.

All guests should plan to arrive for 6:00pm and the cutoff time will be 8:30pm. Dinner will be served between 6:00pm and 7:30pm and we wrap up between 9:45pm and 10pm.

As a reminder, the overflow will be activated on nights that the temperature is expected to be at 28 degrees or less. If the temperature were to drop below 28 at 4 or 5:00am rather than 7 or 8:00pm as an example, it doesn't ensure that the overflow would open. All guests are expected to get up at 5:00 am and exit the premises by 6 or 7:00am.

Also, precipitation or snow alone doesn't ensure that the overflow will open but are taken into consideration coupled with the temperatures. We also view the feel like temps, so as an example if the temperature was expected to be at 30 degrees but the wind-chill coupled with rain or snow presents or "feels like" 25 degrees then the overflow would be activated.

Every year we always have grey area days but we do the best in our judgment to make the right call. On days that we are expected to open an email blast will be sent by 12pm.

Also, 1-800-homeless will notify any callers if the overflow will be open on expected days. This will be our 4th season and with all the challenges at any given time, we are hopeful to continue safe operations and save lives, especially on the coldest nights. We also are looking for extra help, especially if the number of guests expected on any given night reaches

30. We also have 25 guests on the main floor so manpower is very important.

Wareham Police arrest one fugitive, search continues for second individual

On Thursday December 19, Wareham Police Sergeant Daniel Henderson and Officer Christopher Corner developed information that there were two wanted individuals staying at 227 Charge Pond Road.

At about 2:25 p.m. the two officers, along with Officer Stephen Harrison, Lieutenant Walter Correia and Acting Chief John Walcek responded to the home with the intent of arresting the two individuals.

After gaining access to the home, Officer Harrison located Xavier Hernandez (20), of no certain address, hiding inside of a clothes dryer. He was placed under arrest for two active warrants. The second wanted individual could not be located.

Wareham Police officers have arrested multiple people at that address in the last several months because of assorted warrants.

Alma Del Mar Charter School purchases land in the north end of New Bedford

Alma del Mar has purchased four acres of land in the Far North End of New Bedford as part of its plan to serve more than 1,000 children within the next four years at two campuses in the city. Alma purchased the land for \$680,000, all of which were charitable contributions. This deal involves the purchase, and eventual demolition, of a home at 739 Church Street in order to create the primary egress for the new school campus.

Alma was recently awarded an additional 594 seats for a second campus in New Bedford. This second campus opened in August 2019 to 200 children in K-2 and 6th grade at its temporary location, Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception's former school building.

Alma is still in the pre-development phase for a new school building to be the future home of the Frederick Douglass Campus and its eventual 594 scholar enrollment. Compass Project Management, the firm that led on the school's successful construction project in 2015-2016, will also lead on this project. Following an extensive process with the state's Designer Selection Board, Arrowstreet has been selected to lead on the architectural design of Alma's new campus.

In 2016, Alma successfully completed the construction of a similar project — a 43,000 square foot school building at 515 Belleville Avenue in the Near North End. That facility, now the Sarah D. Ottiwell Campus, allowed for Alma to grow out to its full gradespan of Kindergarten through 8th grade, with 450 scholars enrolled. That public construction project was

completed on time, under budget, and brought \$12 million in New Market Tax Credits to New Bedford.

About Alma del Mar Charter Schools:

Alma del Mar Charter Schools operates two charter public schools in New Bedford. The schools are tuition-free. Alma's mission is to put every one of our scholars on the path to college and to challenge them to be service-minded leaders. We achieve this mission by providing a demanding and supportive education to every scholar who walks through our doors. Alma features a longer school day, a longer school year, high expectations for all scholars, and outstanding teachers from across the country. We currently serve 650 scholars across two campuses.

Legislators honor the UMass Dartmouth-based Ferreira-Mendes Portuguese-American Archives

The meet and greet brought together Portuguese-American legislators and university officials.

The Ferreira-Mendes Portuguese-American Archives continued its 10th-anniversary celebrations with a legislative meet and greet reception on Monday, 16 December 2019. At the event, local Massachusetts legislators paid tribute to the former Faculty Director, Dr. Gloria de Sá, upon her retirement while also being introduced to the new Faculty Director, Dr. Paula Celeste Gomes.

At the reception, Chancellor Johnson thanked Dr. de Sá for her years of service to the University. He praised her leadership in the creation of the Ferreira-Mendes Portuguese-American Archives and went on to list her many accomplishments in the development of the Ferreira-Mendes Portuguese-American Archives collection.



Assistant Dean for Public Interest Law and External Relations John Quinn, Representative Paul Schmid, Chancellor Robert E. Johnson, Faculty Director of the Archives Dr. Paula Celeste Gomes Noversa, Dr. Gloria de Sá, Representative Tony Cabral, Representative David Vieira, Associate Librarian / Archivist Sonia Pacheco, Interim Dean of the Library Dawn Gross.

Representative Tony Cabral presented Dr. de Sá with two Citations of Recognition for her years of service, one from the House of Representatives and the other from the Senate. He commented on their years of friendship, her years of hard work, and her commitment to the community. Throughout the applause that followed, Dr. de Sá was visibly moved by the outpouring of respect and affection.

Representative Tony Cabral also presented Dr. Paula Celeste Gomes Noversa with a Citation of Recognition for the Ferreira-

Mendes Portuguese-American Archives in honor of their 10th anniversary. While accepting the Citation, Dr. Noversa praised her predecessor and stated that she hoped to continue Dr. de Sá's work on several long-term projects at the Archives, the most significant being the digitization of the Portuguese language newspapers from across the United States.

During her comments, Faculty Director Noversa noted that UMass Dartmouth resides in the most densely populated Portuguese-American region in the country. She went on to state, "We, the University and the Massachusetts legislature, serve the same community. When we are at odds with each other, we do them a disservice. We serve them better when we work together."

She went on to say, "the Ferreira-Mendes Portuguese-American Archives has as its mission the preservation of the documents that bear witness to the history of the Portuguese-American community throughout the United States. I look forward to building upon the work of my predecessor and forging ahead with new and exciting projects."

HELP WANTED: City of New Bedford is hiring for an Emergency Medical Services (Paramedic) position

PAY: \$24.37hr

• Examine, assess and stabilize patients at emergency scene, i.e., hemorrhage control, treatment for shock, immobilization of fractures, bandaging, proper treatment for burns, poisoning

or drug overdose, deliver newborns, manage mentally disturbed patients, etc.

- Obtain medical history, check vital signs; advise/inform Medical Control at the hospital of diagnostic indications.
- Perform definitive life support; administer treatment and utilize advanced life support equipment and procedures as directed by authorized physician and State treatment protocols, i.e., endotracheal intubations, defibrillation, synchronized cardioversion, nasogastric intubations, closed chest decompression, intravenous administration of drugs and fluids, external

trans thoracic cardiac pacing, and interpret 12 lead EKG's, etc.

- Respond to a wide range of emergency situations as required. Control scene of medical emergency; conduct triage, treatment and transportation at mass casualty incidents.
- Document pre-hospital care received by patients to facilitate admission to health care facility.
- Prepare patients for transport; monitor patients in ambulance to maintain patient stability, administer additional treatment when necessary.
- Operate ambulances and other emergency vehicles as needed to and from scene of emergency.

Current certification as an Emergency Medical Technician-Paramedic by the Mass. DPH, and current certification as a CPR healthcare provider by the American Heart Association (M.G.L.,Ch 111C, Section 3 and 6). Current certification in Advanced Cardiac Life Support by AHA.

- Subject to re-certification by the State Office of Emergency Medical Service.
- One year of Paramedic experience preferred but not required.
- Knowledge of pharmacology, and drugs used in advanced life support and possible reactions;
- Federal and State drug laws; pathophysiology; advanced human anatomy and physiology; medical telemetry; Advanced Life

Support equipment; MGL, Ch 89, 90, and 111C; Mass. DPH recertification requirements; regional communication protocols.

- Knowledge of major transportation routes in the locality, defensive and emergency driving procedures, emergency medical service vehicle limitations, local emergency medical service Point-of-Entry procedures.
- Certain immunizations will be recommended and/or required prior to commencement of employment duties.

For more information, please visit: http://www.newbedford-ma.gov/personnel/employment/employment-opportunities/

Applications will be accepted until a suitable candidate is found. EEO. New Bedford has a residency requirement.

HELP WANTED: City of New Bedford is seeking to fill a Water System Maintenance Person position

PAY: \$14.20hr - \$18.79hr

- Performs work in connection with the maintenance, construction, and repairs of the distribution, collection and highway system. Installs water meters, operates gate valves, and service shutoffs.
- Capable of reading service cards, gate and hydrant location books and plans.
- Performs semiskilled manual work in the construction, operation and maintenance of distribution and collection systems, including work on reservoirs, treatment plants, pump

stations and water gates.

- Cuts, lays and caulks water pipes using machine or hand tools forcing sealing compound into joints to make them watertight; pumps water from trenches; digs, braces and backfills excavations for the purpose of locating pipe leaks or preparing areas for laying pipes.
- Replaces worn and broken parts in distribution and collection systems. Operates motor equipment.

Graduation from a high school or GED equivalent preferred. Requires one year of prior experience. Must be able to work with hydrants, water gates, valves and collection system related equipment Must possess a valid Massachusetts driver's license with good driving record. Subject to call seven days a week/twenty-four hours a day for emergency work.

For application/complete job description, please visit www.newbedford-ma.gov or contact the Personnel Dept., 133 William St., Room 212, 508-979-1444. Applications will be accepted until a suitable candidate is found. EEO. New Bedford has a residency requirement.

Cadbury the goose rescued by Massachusetts State Troopers and Animal Rescue League

The Christmas goose. In olden days (we're thinking, like, Charles Dickens "Christmas Carol" days) it was a staple of traditional holiday dinners.

But thanks to three compassionate Massachusetts State Troopers

and the Animal Rescue League, there is one goose that received much more humane treatment this Christmas season and has a good life ahead of him. Video can be seen here.



One night a few weeks ago, State Police-Revere received a call reporting that a goose had been walking around on Constitution Beach in East Boston all day. The caller was concerned for the safety of the goose, which seemed to be domesticated. MSP Sgt. Edward Troy, Troopers Carlo Mastromattei and Pasquale Zollo Jr., along with Animal Rescue League Officer Dianne Begonis, responded to the beach to corral the wayward bird and get him to safety.

It took them over an hour as night fell and temperatures dropped, but they didn't give up and finally took the goose into custody. The Animal Rescue League took the goose to its shelter in Brewster, gave him a clean bill of health, and has put him up for adoption.



They also gave him a name, Cadbury, and he lives at the shelter with two new friends, potbellied pigs named Turner and Hooch. All three are waiting for their forever homes. Anyone interested in adopting any or all of them should contact the Animal Rescue League of Boston, Brewster Branch, at 617-426-9170.

We never found out where Cadbury initially came from when we found him that night on the beach in East Boston, but we (and he) are glad he will be enjoying his holiday safe and sound, and are proud of the work done by the Troopers and ARL officer who saved him.





SouthCoast Development Partnership awarded \$50,000 to further the Southeastern Massachusetts Blue Economy Corridor initiative

The latest state support of the project comes from the Massachusetts Office of Business Development.

The Massachusetts Office of Business Development, through the Regional Economic Development Organization (REDO) program has awarded the UMass Dartmouth-based SouthCoast Development Partnership with \$50,000 to promote economic development in the Blue Economy throughout the southeastern region through collaborative workforce and industry development programming. The REDO program facilitates regional projects that grow businesses and the Massachusetts economy by attracting new employers and fostering existing businesses.

"UMass Dartmouth and the SouthCoast Development Partnership is grateful to the Baker-Polito Administration for their continued support of our university's efforts to strengthen and evolve our region's economic future," said Chancellor Robert E. Johnson. "With the collective will of government, industry, and academia — UMass Dartmouth will become the global leader for talent, recruitment, and development in marine technology."

The REDO grant bolsters UMass Dartmouth's three-year blue economy initiative. The first year of the project featured the release of a UMass Dartmouth Public Policy Center study entitled, "Charting the Course: A Regional Assessment of the Marine Science and Technology Sector in Southeastern New England," which will be used to develop a strategic plan to build the marine economy of the region.

Next, the university, the SouthCoast Development Partnership, and the region's planning agencies will form a Corridor Alliance that will position Southern New England as an international hub for marine science and technology innovation. The Corridor Alliance will also develop a 10-year strategy for the region, including programmatic activities to brand the region, expand the workforce, and drive innovation.

"This award is another strong signal from the Baker-Polito administration of their support for the creation of a thriving blue economy in southeastern Massachusetts. The investment will allow us to organize, and become more globally competitive in this industry," said Nicholas Christ, President and CEO of BayCoast Bank and co-chair of the SouthCoast Development Partnership.

"The region is in a good place right now, with both offshore wind projects moving forward and the innovative research taking place in marine sciences at UMass Dartmouth. This award will help brand Southeastern Massachusetts as an international cluster in this sector and UMass Dartmouth an affiliate leader

in coordinating industry activities, creating alliances and partnerships, driving innovative research, catalyzing job creation, expanding the labor pool," said David Slutz, cochair of the SouthCoast Development Partnership.

Holiday Cardboard Recycling Guide for New Bedford and Dartmouth

Tis the season for holiday cheer, carols, mistletoe, and... cardboard.

Massachusetts has banned cardboard from the landfill, which means it's up to you to place boxes in the correct cart. All residents need to do is flatten boxes and place them in the recycling cart. It's that simple.

By recycling cardboard you do two very important things for our environment. For one, old cardboard boxes can be turned into new cardboard boxes and other paper products. This saves an important natural resource — trees. Also, recycling cardboard saves space in our landfill.

"Many do not see the landfill as an environmental pillar in the community, but it is. This is a valuable facility and we should extend its life as long as possible," noted Marissa Perez-Dormitzer, Waste Reduction Manager.

Remember you can easily recycle cardboard from home. Flatten boxes so they fit in your recycling cart. They can be carefully cut down if needed to fit the recycling cart as well. Alternatively, cardboard, particularly large cardboard

boxes, can be brought to the **Shawmut Avenue Transfer Station located at 1103 Shawmut Avenue**.

There is a cardboard compactor near the big building. The hours are Monday, Wednesday, Friday noon to 5 p.m. and Saturday 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. The Transfer Station will be closed Christmas and New Year's Day.

Cardboard for recycling should be clean (food contamination can interfere with the recycling process). Please remove any packaging materials such as plastic and foam.

For additional tips, visit our New Bedford Recycling Facebook page or follow @NBRecycling on Twitter. If you have questions, please contact the recycling office by phone at (508) 979-1493 or by email at recycling@newbedford-ma.gov.

For Dartmouth residents:

Cardboard, particularly large cardboard boxes, can be brought to the Dartmouth Transfer Station located at 976 Russells Mills Road. The hours are Tuesday and Thursday 7:30 am to 3:15 p.m. and Saturday 7:30 a.m. to 2:45 p.m.

Cardboard for recycling should be clean (food contamination can interfere with the recycling process). Please remove any packaging materials such as plastic and foam.

For additional tips, visit our Dartmouth Recycling Facebook page.

One of Massachusetts State

Polices's "Most Wanted" Fugitives Captured in West Brookfield

The Massachusetts State Police Violent Fugitive Apprehension Section, with assistance from the State Police-Brookfield Barracks, US Marshals Service, Worcester Police, and West Brookfield Police, this morning captured one of the MSP's Most Wanted fugitives, JESSE OUELLET, who is charged with shooting a man during an altercation outside a store.

At about 11:15 a.m., MSP Violent Fugitive Apprehension Section (MSP VFAS) Troopers, along with Deputy Marshals, a State Police-Brookfield Trooper, and local officers, located OUELLET, 37, at a house at 25 John Gilbert Rd. in West Brookfield. Investigators believe OUELLET had begun staying at the house. OUELLET was transported to the Worcester Police Department to be booked and is expected to be brought to Worcester District Court later today.

MSP VFAS on Nov. 21 added OUELLET to its list of Most Wanted fugitives as Troopers continued to work with Worcester Police detectives to locate him. A Worcester officer recently developed information suggesting OUELLET might be hiding out in West Brookfield, and further investigation by MSP VFAS Trooper Amy Waterman confirmed the address, leading to this morning's apprehension.

OUELLET was arrested on warrants charging him with armed assault with intent to murder (two counts), aggravated assault and battery with a dangerous weapon, assault and battery with a firearm, assault with a dangerous weapon, assault and battery, and firearm and ammunition offenses. The charges stem from evidence that OUELLET shot a man in the stomach outside the S&A Market convenience store on Ward Street in Worcester

following an altercation on April 16, 2019. A bystander walking on the street was struck by a stray bullet. Both victims survived.

After the shooting OUELLET fled and Worcester Police obtained the warrants.



On April 16, 2019, at approx , the Worcester Police De onded to a shooting on Ward ho wound to the stomach. The Street. Upon arriy stress was located suff ed to a nea hospital with serious injuries extensive investigation by the victim was transp Worcester Police artm caled that Jesse OUELLE ed in a physical altercation with another male where CLLET allegedly produced a firearm and fir was walking towards the store on Ward Street and inside a convenienc ne altercation proceed LLET allegedly produced a firearm and fired two rounds at the male. an individual uninvolved was struck by a stray bullet. OUELLET fled out of Worcester District Court for charges to include Armed Assault to Murder (2 cts), Ca paded Discharge Firearm Within 500' of Dwelling, has been recovered and OUELLET should be considered ther Worcester area and multiple tattoos on both arms, shoulders, Possession of Ammunition and related. The has Armed and Dangerous. OUELLET has ties to the stomach and legs. Massachusetts warrant #1962CRoo2428 and warrant #1962CR002432 exist for the arrest of OUELLET with Continental U.S. Extradition authorized.