## Faces Of New Bedford #98: Adrian Carvalho

Meet Adrian Carvalho, 47-year-old Soccer Coach and Philanthropist.



Adrian, growing up in New Bedford, began playing soccer at the age of six, soon taking the position as goalkeeper. He was involved in many leagues but notes the push he received from one of his coaches, Carlos Valente, that lead him down the path he is on today.

After graduating high school, he started working for his families' construction business but also play semiprofessional soccer for the LASA, Luzo America Soccer Association, from the age of 16 to 40. It was throughout his time playing that he decided that he wanted to give back to the youth of New Bedford.

This desire is what propelled him to start Top Level Goalkeeping, where he helps kids from all ages on the importance of goal keeping. Most coaches put their emphasis on the offense of a team, rarely ever focusing on the goal keeper, which is where Adrian flourishes.

Recently, he has taken on the full-time position of the Academy Goalkeeper Coach with the New England Revolution. At

the academy, he works with children from the age of 8 up to college students at the age of 23, training and perfecting their skills, in hopes to prepare them for playing for a professional team.

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