New Bedford Police hosting a community event today to address homelessness

The New Bedford Police Department is hosting an event Tuesday, July 25th from 4:30pm-6:30pm to help with homelessness and the problems surrounding the issue. The event will take place at the New Bedford Police Department's public safety center located at 912 Brock Ave.

Poverty, unemployment, and lack of affordable housing are commonly recognized causes of homelessness. These risk factors can be exacerbated by personal vulnerabilities such as mental and substance use disorders, trauma and violence, domestic violence, justice-system involvement, sudden serious illness, divorce, death of a partner, and disabilities.

The New Bedford Police Department is inviting city residents to attend a community info session so you can meet with service providers and guest speakers to discuss the resources available to support those of you who are at either risk of becoming homeless, or need immediate support.

Here is a list of agencies that will be presenting at the event:

- Catholic social services
- New Bedford Housing Authority
- New Bedford Office of Housing & Community Development
- North Star Learning Center
- Steppingstones Project FAIHR
- The Women's Center



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