

**Use all the tools available to **stop the spread****



**When you can, get the vaccine**  
Before, between and after being vaccinated you still need to:



**Wear a mask**



**Wash your hands**



**Keep your distance**



**Avoid groups**

For more information on how to stop the spread visit [Mass.gov/StopCOVID](https://www.mass.gov/StopCOVID)



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March 26, 2021 Color-Coded Guide:

**New**

**Updated**

Same as previous week(s)

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**Stay Informed with [www.BarnstableHealth.com](http://www.BarnstableHealth.com)**

The Town of Barnstable has launched a new resource ([www.barnstablehealth.com](http://www.barnstablehealth.com)) on March 16, 2020 to keep you up-to-date with the latest information as it relates to reducing the spread of COVID-19 and the working of Barnstable Town government. Visit and bookmark [www.barnstablehealth.com](http://www.barnstablehealth.com).

### **Cape Cod COVID-19 Vaccine Update**

As part of the Town of Barnstable’s role in the Cape Cod COVID-19 Vaccine Consortium, our Council on Aging Division is identifying vulnerable eligible adults, specifically individuals who need assistance making vaccination appointments but are able to travel to Cape Cod Community College. In an effort to expand upon the robust information our Council on Aging currently has, we are asking anyone in this group to provide **name** and **phone number**, by emailing that information to [COACovid@town.barnstable.ma.us](mailto:COACovid@town.barnstable.ma.us). You may also call 508-862-4024 and leave your name and phone number. Thank You.

## Barnstable Public Schools Pivots to Remote Learning

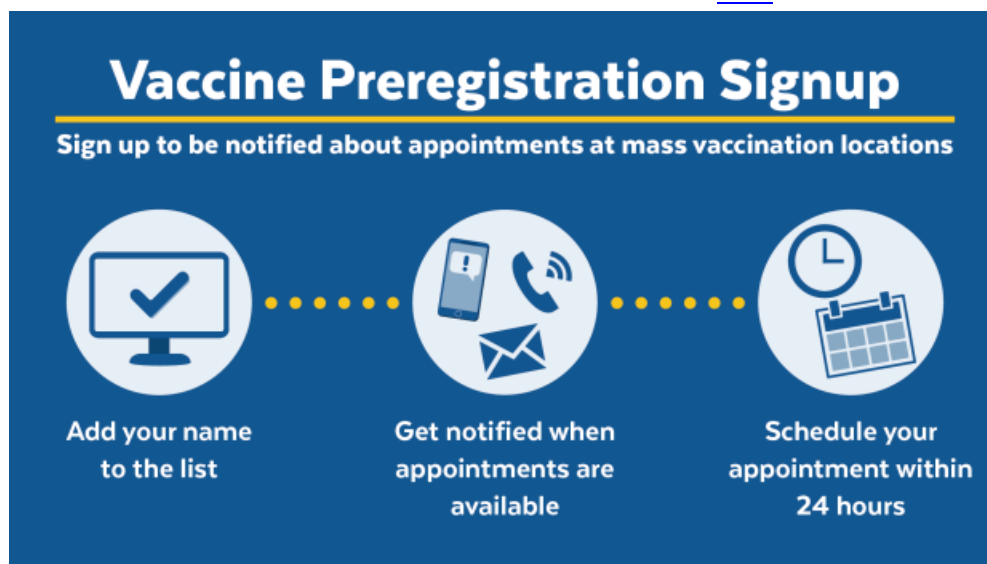
Barnstable Public Schools announced on Wednesday, March 24<sup>th</sup> that all classes will shift to remote learning. Dr. Mayo-Brown, Superintendent of Schools, made the announcement based on a review of local public health metrics and in consultation with district physician, Dr. Katie Rudman. In a district wide email, Dr. Mayo-Brown notified all families and staff that BPS schools will pivot to remote learning on Thursday and Friday (March 25 and 26). Additionally, all after school programming and athletics were cancelled for March 25 and 26. Barnstable Public Schools (BPS) data indicates that community spread of COVID-19 is impacting schools. During the week of March 14, school district health officials were notified of 45 cases across all nine BPS schools. On March 22 and 23, the school district was notified of 28 staff and student cases. Currently, the district has 260 staff and students in quarantine as close contacts, and 60 staff and students in isolation with COVID. Dr. Mayo-Brown stressed in her communication with families that the district's goal is to resume in person learning as soon as possible. District officials will continue to review public health metrics over the coming days and consult with Dr. Rudman to determine if in-person learning can resume on Monday, March 29. Parents/Guardians were advised to check their email on Sunday afternoon for a communication from the Superintendent regarding the status of reopening.

## Preregister for a COVID-19 vaccine appointment

Sign up to be notified when it's your turn to schedule an appointment at a mass vaccination location. (Dartmouth, Gillette, Fenway)

Eligible people who live, work, or study in Massachusetts can preregister beginning Friday, March 12, for a COVID-19 vaccine appointment at a mass vaccination location.

LEARN MORE ABOUT PREREGISTRATION [here](#).

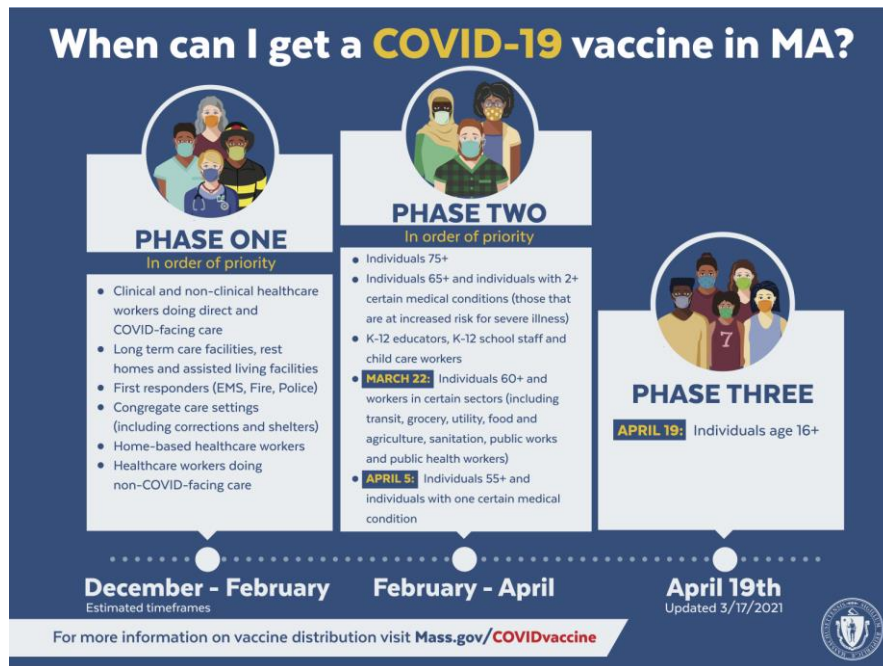


## Massachusetts COVID Vaccination Plan

### *4 Dates set aside for educators at mass vaccination sites*

The Massachusetts COVID Vaccination Plan was announced and conforms to the phases and prioritized populations identified by the Centers for Disease Control. [When can I get the COVID-19 vaccine? | Mass.gov](#) **As of this date, local health departments do not have any vaccines onsite for distribution or vaccinations.**

# When can I get a **COVID-19** vaccine in MA?



## Preparing for your COVID-19 Vaccination Appointment

The first step to getting vaccinated is confirming you are in an eligible group. Once you confirm eligibility, you can book your appointment. To check who is eligible and to schedule appointments visit [mass.gov/covidvaccine](https://mass.gov/covidvaccine)



### What to know before you go

- The vaccine is free to all individuals.
- You must make an appointment to get a vaccine.
- The vaccine requires two doses. You should make sure you have a second appointment scheduled from the same site, or know how to schedule it, before leaving your first appointment.
- You can get a vaccine even if you do not have insurance, a driver's license, or a Social Security number.
- You must confirm you are eligible for your phase. Learn how below.

### What you need for your appointment

#### Confirm your eligibility

To get vaccinated in Phase 1 or 2, you will need to confirm that you are part of a currently eligible group within those phases. This is called "attesting." You might attest online or over the phone when booking. If you are not asked when booking, you will use a form. Locations should have an attestation form, however, you can fill out the state's form and bring it with you to your appointment to be prepared. Get the form at [mass.gov/covidvaccineguide](https://mass.gov/covidvaccineguide)

#### Additional documents

Your vaccination location may list the below items as necessary, however, that only applies to people who have them. You can still receive the COVID-19 vaccine without insurance or an ID.

- An ID with your name, if you have one, to verify your name in the vaccination system.
- Health insurance card, if you have one. Your insurance will be billed at no cost to you.

If you are going to a "local vaccination location" (yellow stars on map), those are for workers or residents of select cities and towns. They will include what you need to bring in their "special instructions" when scheduling your appointment.



### Keep others safe

It will take time to get the COVID-19 vaccine rolled out and get everyone vaccinated. Before, between doses, and when you are fully vaccinated, continue to use all tools available to stop the spread.



## Testing at Cape Cod Hospital in Hyannis and the Fairgrounds in Falmouth

Testing sites in Barnstable County for both symptomatic and asymptomatic persons remain open in Falmouth at the Fairgrounds and in Hyannis at Cape Cod Hospital. Daily testing capacity is 50 at the Falmouth site and 350 at the Hyannis site. Details can be found [here](#). For additional information on vaccine and testing, follow the [Town of Barnstable's Facebook page](#).

## MEMA Offers Resource of Testing Site Map

The Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency is a great resource for COVID-19 testing locations with its [COVID-19 Test Site Locator](#). The map provides an easy way to locate a COVID-19 test site near you. All of those experiencing symptoms or those who have been in close contact recently with a COVID positive individual should seek testing. There are different filters you can choose, such as free testing for residents, test children, referral not required, drive thru services, etc.

## Notice of Public Hearing for Fiscal Year Fees

A public hearing on the proposed changes to various fees, rates and charges for the Town's water, sewer and solid waste transfer station operations, that will take effect on July 1, 2021 within the Town of Barnstable, will be held on March 30, 2021 at 10:00 AM. The hearing is physically closed to the public but public access is available in real-time through Barnstable's Channel 18 and Zoom. Those wishing to provide public comment may do so by accessing the meeting via the Zoom link or telephone number and access code below.

<https://zoom.us/j/98856611149> Meeting ID: 988 5661 1149 US Toll-free 888- 475-4499

Information regarding the proposed changes will be available on the Town Manager's page of the Town of Barnstable's website at [www.townofbarnstable.us](http://www.townofbarnstable.us) on March 23, 2021.

## Hazardous Waste Collection – April 3

**2021** HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS  
DROP-OFF DAYS

**BARNSTABLE**  
Barnstable Transfer Station, 45 Flint St.  
Marstons Mills  
Transfer Station Sticker or Fee Required for Entry  
**Saturdays 9am - Noon**

- April 3
- June 26
- Aug. 28
- Sept. 18

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## **Town of Barnstable and Hyannis Main Street Business Improvement District Will Participate in the Local Rapid Recovery Program Through the Massachusetts Downtown Initiative**

The Town of Barnstable, together with the Hyannis Main Street Business Improvement District (BID), has been awarded participation in the Local Rapid Recovery Program from the Massachusetts Downtown Initiative (MDI) under the Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development. This award provides technical assistance tailored to the unique economic challenges and COVID-19 impacts that have affected downtowns and commercial centers throughout Massachusetts. The focus of the program is to understand the unique impacts of COVID-19 on Barnstable businesses, particularly targeted to Downtown Hyannis Businesses within and just outside of the BID area, and to develop short-range, actionable projects that will help drive business and economic recovery. Recommendations will also be developed for longer-range actions that will foster business resiliency and economic sustainability, including recommendations for project-related investments that align with existing public resources and the potential to leverage additional resources from other partners and funders. Planning & Economic Development Coordinator Gloria McPherson stated, "We are happy to have this opportunity to partner with our business community and the BID to strategize ways to emerge from the COVID-19 pandemic with a robust business environment, and to help position our local businesses for long-term success." The MDI has appointed MJB Consulting, a real estate and economic development consulting firm based out of New York City and Berkeley, as the Plan Facilitator for the project. President of the firm Michael Berne previously worked on the "Main Street Hyannis Retail Market Analysis and Positioning Strategy" which analyzed Downtown Hyannis's retail mix and identified ways it could be better positioned within the broader competitive marketplace. BID Executive Director Elizabeth Wurfbain stated, "We are thrilled to be paired with MJB Consulting. Michael Berne has worked extensively in Massachusetts and all over the US, and has worked with the Town and BID in the past. We look forward to sharing ideas and creating solutions for a post-COVID world that build on his prior work in Downtown Hyannis." The success of the program depends in large part on input and participation from the business community. In this regard, Barnstable has an advantage. Last year, the BID, local business owners, and multiple Town departments came together to brainstorm how local businesses could operate outdoors in light of gathering and physical distancing limitations brought on by the pandemic. This collaboration transformed Main Street. Local businesses will play a primary role and the Town will assist with ongoing engagement from the community in the Local Rapid Recovery Program.

## **John Gleason Receives MRPA Community Professional of the Year Award**

At its annual conference, the Massachusetts Recreation and Park Association (MRPA) presented Assistant Recreation Director John Gleason with the Community Professional of the Year Award which recognizes the importance of contributing to the Community. Below is the program feature about John. *John Gleason has worked for the Town of Barnstable for 13 years as a Program Coordinator specializing in Aquatic and Program management. The last 4 years he has served as the Assistant Recreation Director. He got his start with Barnstable Recreation working as an intern in the summer of 2003. His love for recreation and sports began early during his childhood with the Northampton Recreation Department where he participated in football, basketball, and baseball. After completing a college internship with the Boston Celtics and earning his undergraduate degree in Sports Management*



*from Springfield College, he decided to switch gears and pursue a career in the field of recreation. He continued his education at Springfield College earning his Master's degree in Recreation Management. His job responsibilities for Barnstable Recreation include overseeing 4 full time program staff, over 400 seasonal staff, all recreation programs and special events, reserving athletic fields and tennis/pickleball courts, operating 13 beach waterfronts, JFK Memorial, Skate Park, procurement, and social media. During the past year, his highlights are successfully operating beaches during COVID-19, creating and adapting programs and events to fit the community's needs during the pandemic, expanding social media presence, fostering new partnerships, implementing eSports programs/tournaments, and helping secure money from the town and the Community Preservation Committee to construct 16 new pickleball and tennis courts. He was the driving force for rebranding the Barnstable Recreation Division with a new logo and tagline. During the past year, he completed the Suffolk University/Massachusetts Municipal Association/Cape Cod Managers Group's certificate program in Local Government Leadership and Management and received the 40 Under 40 Award from Cape and Plymouth Business Media. John has been a member the NRPA and an active member of the MRPA since 2003. He currently serves as the MRPA Regional Representative for Cape Cod and the Islands. In the past, he has been a speaker at the conference and participated on the conference committee. John lives in the Town of Barnstable with his wife Barbara and daughters Molly and Keegan and son Colin. Congratulations, John!*

## **Vital Records Now Available On-line**

Town Clerk Ann Quirk is announcing a new, fast and efficient way to obtain a vital record of a Birth, Death or Marriage that occurred in the Town of Barnstable. Vital Records are now on-line!

Follow this link: <https://barnstablema.viewpointcloud.com/categories/1085> where you can find the steps for searching and obtaining the certified record and conveniently pay by credit card. The document will be mailed out the next business day. If you choose to apply for a vital record of a birth, death or marriage that occurred in the Town of Barnstable through the mail and pay by check please go to this link for the form and the instructions:

[https://www.town.barnstable.ma.us/Departments/TownClerk/Office\\_Information/Death-Certificate.pdf](https://www.town.barnstable.ma.us/Departments/TownClerk/Office_Information/Death-Certificate.pdf)

## **Sandy Neck Beach Nourishment Project**

The Town of Barnstable's contractor, Robert B. Our, will be performing Sandy Neck Beach Nourishment to restore storm damage to the existing dune. The project includes delivery and placement of approximately 3,000 cubic yards of sand material on the dune adjacent to the Sandy Neck parking lots. Large construction equipment will be onsite for the duration of construction. The lower parking area will be closed off during construction activities. Operations are anticipated to begin the week of **March 15, 2021 (weather dependent)** and anticipated to be completed no later than **March 31, 2021**. Weather pending, construction will be on-going, Monday through Friday from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM until completion of the project. Beach goers are encouraged to use caution when walking, hiking, and recreating in this area during construction.

## **Barnstable Youth Commission Hosts the 5<sup>TH</sup> Annual Youth Job Fair – VIRTUALLY!**

### ***Local Businesses that hire teens are encouraged to participate in this free program***

The Barnstable Youth Commission, in coordination with the Barnstable Recreation Division of the Community Services Department and the Economic Development Program of the Planning & Development Department, as well as Barnstable High School and Mass-Hire will host the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Youth Job Fair virtually for an extended run through June this year. Last year, 32 businesses participated and 266 applicants

attended the two hour event, representing 21 schools from as far away as Texas. Due to the ongoing gathering restrictions, it was not possible to use the gymnasium at the Hyannis Youth & Community Center this year, so the Youth Commission came up with an idea to allow businesses to interact with eager first time job seekers in a different sort of way, and over an extended time so more businesses and students can participate. ***Businesses that hire applicants at ages 14-17 and are interested in participating should sign up at <https://bit.ly/3vbUnTq>*** Businesses that hire teens can sign up to have their name and a link to their online application listed on the Youth Commission's web page which will be heavily promoted through peer groups and school communications. Students can sign up for a zoom session (date and time tbd) with business owners representing various business sectors like restaurants, retail, recreation programs and lodging who will interact with job seekers and set up interviews. Space is limited for these sessions and a link for an application will be provided to students once the sessions are scheduled. The Barnstable Youth Commission (BYC) is a group of students representing Barnstable High School, Upper Cape Cod Regional Technical High School, Sturgis Charter Public High School (East and West campuses), St. John Paul II High School and Sandwich High School. The BYC's members are appointed by the Town Council and advised by members of the community. The BYC works with the staff of the Community Services Department's Recreation Division. Their goal is to work with town officials, appointed and elected, towards furthering the goals of the Youth and making the Town a better place for the Youth of today and tomorrow. Accomplishments include producing the annual 8th Grade Youth Summit and Community Substance Abuse Prevention Forum; presenting and facilitating the One Love Foundation program which ensures everyone understands the difference between a healthy and unhealthy relationship to the Barnstable High School community; working with state agencies to conduct the annual youth survey on homelessness and more. More information is available at <https://townofbarnstable.us/departments/youthservices/> or Patti Machado, Youth Services Program Director can be reached at [patti.machado@town.barnstable.ma.us](mailto:patti.machado@town.barnstable.ma.us) or 508-790-6345.



### **Town of Barnstable Offering Zoning Notices by E-mail to Enhance Communication with Public**

The Town of Barnstable is seeking to enhance communication with the public on matters related to zoning. The Town is offering the opportunity to opt-in to e-mails about proposed zoning changes. Massachusetts law requires municipalities to notify the public about proposed zoning amendments through a published notice in a local newspaper. The Town recognizes the benefits of having diverse communication strategies, so staff established this effort. After signing up to receive notices, the Town will e-mail messages about proposed zoning amendments prior to the required public hearings at the Planning Board and Town Council. The Town will also send messages about public meetings, workshops or other efforts that relate to amending zoning. Members of the public can sign up for e-mail Zoning Updates here:

[townofbarnstable.us/departments/planninganddevelopment/Projects/Zoning-Outreach.asp](https://townofbarnstable.us/departments/planninganddevelopment/Projects/Zoning-Outreach.asp)

## Free Grocery Delivery Service for Barnstable County Seniors and Residents at Higher Risk

The [Cape Cod Medical Reserve Corps' Delivery Service](#) will help people who should stay home receive groceries and critical household goods.

See a list of participating grocery stores with pre-ordering and curbside pickup options [here](#). Slowing the spread of COVID-19 is essential for "flattening the curve" of infections, which will curb the outbreak, prevent hospitals from getting overwhelmed with patients seeking treatment, and ultimately reduce the number of deaths. For current information on the novel coronavirus outbreak (COVID-19), please visit the Barnstable County Department of Health and Environment's website: [barnstablecountyhealth.org](http://barnstablecountyhealth.org). If you have questions or concerns, please email [COVID-19@barnstablecounty.org](mailto:COVID-19@barnstablecounty.org).

## Drive-Thru Food Distribution at Hyannis Transportation Center in February

The U.S. Farmers to Families Food Box program continues to be available on the Mid-Cape. The new location is at the Hyannis Transportation Center, [1 Transportation Ave, Hyannis \(Barnstable\), MA 02601](#). PRIOR registration is required for ALL locations (see the link after each location to register and read instructions carefully, as each site varies slightly).

Hyannis Patriot Farms Food Boxes - Hyannis Transportation Center – [1 Transportation Ave, Hyannis \(Barnstable\), MA 02601](#).

\*\*\*\*Due to construction, there is no entry from Route 28. Follow detour signs.\*\*\*\*

- March 27 – 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM [Click Here to Register](#).

## Student Meals for Barnstable Public School Students

For most up-to-date information, please go [here](#).

## Keep Active and Thrive with the BACC on Channel 18

The Barnstable Adult Community Center (BACC) and Channel 18 have teamed up to provide dedicated BACC programming hours on Comcast CH18. Every Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday at 8:00 AM and Tuesdays and Thursday at 5:00 PM you can tune to Comcast CH18 and view an hour of programming specifically geared to residents in our community who appreciate the wide range of activities provided at the BACC. The dedicated staff at the Council on Aging and Channel 18 have created programs including chair exercise classes, yoga, music programming, and updates on programs and activities. *Keep Active and Thrive with the Barnstable Adult Community Center!*

## News from the Barnstable Council on Aging

### Vietnam Veterans Day of Recognition Drive-Through Event Monday, March 29, 11:00 AM-12:30 PM

Join a nation -- thank our veterans. The 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Vietnam War Commemoration recognizes and thanks Vietnam Veterans for their service and sacrifices. The Cape Cod Vet Center invites Vietnam Veterans from the Cape and Islands to join us at the Barnstable Adult Community Center for this special celebration. Please note: **For safety reasons, this is a socially distanced drive-through event, and participants will stay in their cars at all times.**





The Barnstable Adult Community Center is located at 825 Falmouth Road (Route 28), Hyannis. Please extend this invitation to your friends, family members, and any Vietnam Veterans you know. The Commemoration honors all Vietnam Veterans. If you served in the military between November 1, 1955 and May 15, 1975, we would like you to join us. No distinction is made among veterans who served in-country, in-theater, or who were stationed elsewhere during the Vietnam War period. We also hope you will come if you are a widow of a Vietnam Veteran, or a Vietnam Veteran Gold Star Family member. For questions or further information, contact the Cape Cod Vet Center at **508-778-0124**. To hear a special message from the Cape Cod Vet Center, please click on the following link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sN55mPDf6uc>

**Good news! Registry of Motor Vehicles Extends Special Hours for Older Adults to April 17.**

If you need to conduct an RMV transaction, the South Yarmouth and Plymouth RMV centers have designated Wednesdays through April 17 to serve customers aged 65 and older. A reservation is required.

To view availability and make an appointment online, go to [www.Mass.Gov/RMV](http://www.Mass.Gov/RMV), and select "Make/Cancel a Reservation," and then "Senior Hours-All Transactions."

Other options for making an appointment are listed below:

- If you are a AAA member, you may make a reservation now to renew your driver's license/ID or registration at a AAA location. Visit [www.aaa.com/appointments](http://www.aaa.com/appointments) to schedule your visit.
- If you are not a AAA member, visit Mass.Gov/RMV to make a reservation to visit an RMV Service Center. Select the "Senior Transaction" option on the "Make/Cancel a Reservation" transaction.
- Email the RMV for assistance at [Mass.DOTRMVSeniors@dot.state.ma](mailto:Mass.DOTRMVSeniors@dot.state.ma).
- Call the RMV at **857-368-8005**.



**Outreach Appointments**

The Council on Aging's Outreach Department continues to assist older adults with fuel assistance and 41C Real Estate Abatement applications. This is a drive-by system, and you are asked to call for a list of guidelines and the paperwork you'll need. Once you've gathered the proper documents, an appointment will be scheduled. Please call the Jacqi Easter at **508-862-4757** to schedule an appointment.

**Medicare Advantage Plans**

There have been many questions surrounding Medicare Advantage Plans and the additional benefits that have been advertised on television. Benefits such as transportation, meal delivery, equipment to improve indoor air quality (such as air conditioners, dehumidifiers), home modifications, and social needs benefits (such as park passes) are not ones that we see offered with our current available Medicare Advantage plans. The plans available to us in Barnstable County are certainly different and vary in what they offer, but we cannot expect what we might hear on a national advertisement to hold true locally. It's always best to check with the plan directly for specific details on the benefits they currently offer. For beneficiaries who are eligible for both Medicare and MassHealth, there are Senior Care Option plans available in Barnstable County. These plans may indeed incorporate those additional benefits mentioned above. SHINE can help you navigate the options and questions regarding Medicare Advantage plans. For more information or to set up an appointment to meet with a SHINE counselor over the telephone, please call **508-862-4757**.

**Legal Services**

**--South Coastal Counties Legal Services, Inc. (SCCLS)**

This non-profit charitable corporation provides a broad range of legal services to residents age 60 and

over. Services include assistance on housing, health care, medical and consumer issues. Attorneys and paralegals represent poor and older adult clients and victims of crime with high-priority legal problems. Call them at **508-775-7020**.

**--MA Attorney General's Office**

The office has a statewide, toll-free hotline to help older adults with a range of issues. The Elder Hotline is open Monday through Friday from 10am-4pm and is staffed by senior volunteers.

Call the Elder Hotline at **888-243-5337** or TTY at: **617-727-4765**.

**Weekly Drive thru Grab & Go**/Tuesdays and Thursdays, 11:30am-12:30pm.

Come see us in the BACC parking lot to pick up a healthy and delicious Grab & Go bag lunch for Barnstable residents over the age of 60. We'll bring the food items right to your car. Masks and proper social distancing practices are always in place. This program is free, thanks to the generosity of the Friends of the Barnstable Council on Aging. Questions? Call Stacey at **508-862-4765**.

**The Barnstable Council on Aging's E-newsletter** is sent weekly, and contains news, resources and information for the older adult community and their families. If you'd like to receive it, please email: [judith.reppucci@town.barnstable.ma.us](mailto:judith.reppucci@town.barnstable.ma.us). You may also want to "like" and follow us on the Barnstable Adult Community Center Facebook page, where you'll find helpful updates and links as well as entertainment and resources to stay engaged and informed.

**Our Village Libraries are more than just books. Check them out at:**

[Sturgis Library](#) (Barnstable Village)

[Centerville Public Library](#)

[Cotuit Library](#)

[Hyannis Public Library](#)

[Marstons Mills Public Library](#)

[Osterville Village Library](#)

[Whelden Memorial Library](#) (West Barnstable)

**Vineyard Wind Virtual Public Information Sessions**

Barnstable residents can find more information here: <https://www.vineyardwind.com/barnstable>.



 **VINEYARD WIND**

**Virtual Information Session**

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Join us for a presentation and Q&A about Vineyard Wind's offshore wind projects and plans in Barnstable, Massachusetts.

**April 13 • 4:00pm**  
**May 19 • 5:00pm**  
**June 18 • 12:00pm**

## ROAD WORK UPDATES

*As always please slow down and use extreme caution when traveling through the road construction areas and follow posted safety and detour signs.*

### **\*CONTINUES\* Drainage & Pavement Improvements on Wheeler Road in Marstons Mills**

Drainage and pavement improvements on Wheeler Road in Marstons Mills are tentatively planned to begin in early April 2021. Work will include installation of new drainage system equipment, pulverizing and grading of the roadway sub-base, installation of new asphalt pavement and restoration of all disturbed areas. Please use caution and safe speeds when traveling on Wheeler Road during construction operations.

### **\*UPDATED\* National Grid Service Road**

National Grid will be working on Service Road regrading of the area along Service Road used for tank storage. Following completion of that work, the roadway will be milled and re-paved up to the Sandwich/Barnstable Town Line. Work will be performed during the day, Monday through Friday from 6:00 AM to 6:00 PM. Service Road will remain open with one-lane of traffic. Police details/ flaggers will be used as needed. Final re-paving of Service Road is anticipated to be completed in May 2021.

### **\*CONTINUES\* Drainage & Pavement Improvements on Huckins Neck Road in Centerville/Barnstable Village**

Milling of the existing pavement on Huckins Neck Road in Centerville and Barnstable Village are tentatively planned to begin in early April, 2021. Final adjustment of drainage structure castings and overlay of the roadway with new pavement will follow. Any areas disturbed during construction will then be restored. The roadway will be unobstructed until then.

### **\*CONTINUES\* Drainage Improvements on Lake Shore Drive in Marstons Mills**

The Towns contractor, Tasco Construction, will remobilize to continue drainage improvements at five (5) locations along Head of the Pond Rd and Lake Shore Drive in Marstons Mills, on March 29th. The work includes installation of new drainage systems, repairs to existing drainage systems, adjustment of drainage structure castings, and restoration of any areas disturbed during construction.. Normal work hours will be between 7:00 AM to 3:30 PM, Monday through Friday. Through traffic will be maintained throughout construction. Any lane closures will be supported with police details to direct traffic. Motorists are advised to seek alternate routes to avoid the construction work.

### **\*UPDATED\* Three Bays BMP Construction - South County Road**

The Town of Barnstable, through the Coastal Pollutant Remediation Grant Program, is installing a new biofiltration swale along South County Rd to treat existing stormwater runoff before it enters in the nearby river. The project will continue through June 30, 2021. Traffic will remain open, however there will be periods where the road will be closed to one-lane of traffic in proximity to the project site. Work will be performed from 7 AM to 4 PM, Monday through Friday. Police details and signage will direct motorists around the construction crews. As always, please slow down and use extreme caution when traveling through the construction area, and follow posted safety signs.

### **\*CONTINUES\* Renovations to Oyster Harbor Bridge**

The Town of Barnstable's contractor, MAS Building and Bridge, Inc. (MAS), is under contract to complete a rehabilitation project to the Oyster Harbors Bridge. The project will involve structural and safety repairs to the bridge, including replacement of steel stringers, replacement of abutment joints, repairs to columns supporting the bridge tender's house, and replacement of safety railings on the machine platform. To complete the improvements, one-lane of traffic will need to be closed for the duration of

the project. Temporary traffic signals will be installed to manage traffic during this time. The project is scheduled to be completed by May 1, 2021. Once the lane closure begins, the draw-bridge will not be able to be opened for marine vessels passing under the bridge, until the completion of construction. Vessels that would require the draw bridge to be opened to pass under will need to seek an alternate route. Vessels that do not require the draw bridge to be opened will be able to continue to pass under the bridge. Marine vessels operating in the area should monitor the Notice to Mariners for updates and further detail relative to this project. Typical work hours will be Monday through Friday, 7:00 AM to 4:00 PM, though work during weekends may be necessary. Traffic will be impacted as a result of the lane closure and residents are encouraged to plan accordingly when traveling in this area. As always, please slow down and use extreme caution when traveling through or near construction areas, and follow posted safety signs.

### **\*CONTINUES\* Sewer Construction on Hyannis Avenue and Marstons Avenue**

Robert B Our Co., Inc. will continue construction on a privately funded sewer extension on Hyannis Avenue and Marstons Avenue from 10 Hyannis Avenue to Nob Hill Road. The work will consist of the installation of approximately 1,250 feet of new sewers which, upon completion of the work, will become part of the municipal sewer system, and allow for adjacent properties to connect to the municipal sewer system. The disturbed roadways will be trench patched (temporary pavement) for the remainder of the winter. In the spring, the disturbed roadways will be milled and paved for the full road width. Weather pending, work is scheduled to begin on December 21st and the work is anticipated to take six (6) weeks to complete. Work will be performed from 7 AM to 5 PM, Monday through Friday. Temporary detours will be necessary during the work. Police details and signage will direct motorists around the construction crews. Drivers are advised to seek alternate routes. As always, please slow down and use extreme caution when traveling through the construction area, and follow posted safety signs.

### **\*CONTINUES\* Water Works Construction on Longview Drive in Centerville**

The water works construction project is ongoing on Longview Drive in Hyannis. This project will install approximately 500 feet of 8 inch water main and move the temporary interconnection with the COMM water system to a vacant lot on Longview Drive. The metal container will be enclosed in a building appropriate for the neighborhood. Normal works hours will be between 8:00 AM and 4:40 PM.

### **\*UPDATED\* MassDOT Schedules Intersection Improvements at Falmouth Road (Route 28) at Osterville West Barnstable Road**

MassDOT Construction operations on the intersection at Falmouth Road (Route 28) at Osterville West Barnstable Road are ongoing and will continue through to July 2021. The road has been redesigned to include exclusive left turn lanes and improve bicycle and pedestrian accommodation as part of the proposed safety improvement work. The work to be done consists of furnishing and installing of new traffic signal equipment at the intersection including emergency vehicle pre-emption system, bicycle and vehicles loop detectors, construction of ADA compliant wheelchair ramps, sidewalks, and driveways, box widening, pavement milling and resurfacing, new pavement markings and signs, drainage improvements, water distribution modifications, existing utility pole relocations, installation of granite curbing, loam and seeding. Work will be performed during the day, Monday through Friday 7:00 AM-3:30 PM. Traffic control will include all required signage, channeling devices for lane shifts and alternating one-way traffic as required. Police details/ flaggers will be used as needed. Visit [www.mass511.com](http://www.mass511.com), a website which provides real-time traffic and incident advisory information, and allows users to subscribe to text and email alerts for traffic conditions. Follow MassDOT on Twitter



@MassDOT to receive regular updates on road and traffic conditions. Download MassDOT's GoTime mobile app and view real-time traffic conditions before setting out on the road.

### **\*CONTINUES\* Bumps River Bridge Repairs on South Main Street in Centerville/Main Street in Osterville**

Work on the bridge is scheduled to continue through mid-May 2021. Normal work hours are 7:00 AM to 5:30 PM, Monday through Friday. Remaining work will include improving riprap at bridge abutments, bridge deck repairs, improving endblocks and guardrail connections, and concrete repairs. The contractor is expected to deploy their construction craft from McCarthy's Landing (aka Hayward Landing) at 40 Hayward Road in Centerville. This may create brief delays for other users when the contractor is using the landing. The ramp will still be available for public access. The contractor is responsible for maintaining small vessel navigational access under the bridge at all times during construction. Mariners are urged to use caution and go slow when approaching and moving through the work area. Divers may be in the water at times during construction operations. Mariners are required to maintain proper distance from Dive and Alpha flags based on Maritime law. The bridge will remain open to traffic throughout construction. During this work there will be temporary single-lane closures with signs and police officers to direct traffic past the work zone.

### **\*CONTINUES\* Sidewalk, Traffic Signal, Water Distribution, and Associated Improvements on Independence Drive in Hyannis and Barnstable Village, and on Portions of Mary Dunn Road, Kidd's Hill Road, and Attucks Lane in Barnstable Village**

Construction is scheduled to end in May 2021. Normal work hours are 7:00 AM to 3:30 PM, Monday through Friday. Work will include a new sidewalk and additional drainage systems the full length of Independence Drive, on Mary Dunn Road a short distance south of Independence Drive, on Kidd's Hill Road from Independence Drive to Merchants Way, and on Attucks Lane from Independence Drive to Wilkens Lane. The work will also include a new traffic signal system at the intersection of Attucks Lane & Wilkens Lane; a watermain extension on portions of Attucks Lane and Independence Drive; and additional street lights on portions of Independence Drive and Kidd's Hill Road. During active construction there will be lane closures with signs, cones/construction barrels, and police details or flaggers if necessary to direct traffic past the work zones.

### **\*CONTINUES\* Roadway Improvements on Portions of Main Street (Route 6A) and Mill Way in Barnstable Village**

Construction is scheduled to continue into spring 2021. Normal work hours are 7:00 AM to 3:30 PM, Monday through Friday. Remaining work includes utility line transfers and pole removals in a few locations (by utility companies); constructing a sidewalk from Main Street to the County Complex parking lot east end; installing street lights; refurbishing traffic signals; and other associated work. During active construction there will be lane closures or temporary detours with signs and police details or flaggers to direct traffic past or around the work zones.

### **\*UPDATED\* National Grid New Customer Hookups**

Next week Neuco crews will be working on gas services on North Street Hyannis and Main Street, Osterville. Work will be ongoing. Typical natural gas service installation includes marking out underground utilities within the project area, excavation of the street, laying gas main, relaying customer's individual gas service and connecting those services to the main and installing meters. This project should take about five days to complete. Visit [ngrid.com/service](https://ngrid.com/service) line to view a YouTube video explaining the replacement of the service pipe to customer homes. Operations will start promptly at

7:00 AM and run until 3:00 PM. Reduce speed, and use caution. All scheduled work is dependent on weather and/or may be impacted due to an emergency situation.

## Are You on the Town's Emergency Notification System?

The Barnstable Police Department has an emergency notification system. This system has been used to provide information during the ongoing COVID-19 event and for the recent COMM Water District issue. Did you know that only landlines are part of the federal and state Reverse 911 system and you must register cell phones which are not public records? Make sure you are on our list. Sign up [here](#) today. **What is CodeRED and why is it important to me?** CodeRED is an emergency notification service by which town officials can notify Barnstable residents and businesses by telephone, cellular phone, text message, or electronic mail about time-sensitive emergency situations or important community alerts. The system is capable of sending messages only to specific neighborhoods or the entire town. Only authorized officials are allowed access to use the system. Frequently asked questions can be reviewed [here](#). Be sure to take a moment to learn more about this important notification system.

## Working with Barnstable Town Hall

Public access to Town Hall Offices and 200 Main Street is now by appointment only. Information on how you can work remotely with Town Offices is available on the Town of Barnstable's website ([www.townofbarnstable.us](http://www.townofbarnstable.us)) and [www.BarnstableHealth.com](http://www.BarnstableHealth.com). Thank you for your cooperation and understanding throughout this serious situation.

### TREASURER/COLLECTOR'S OFFICE

The Treasurer/Collector's Office will be accepting payments either through mail or payments may be placed in the drop box located outside Town Hall next to the walkway leading to Town Hall. **No cash is to be mailed or left in the drop box.**

For **Tax Title Account information** please call Treasurer's office at 508-862-4656. Payments for lien parcels that are in Tax Title may be mailed to:

Town of Barnstable, Treasurer's Office, 230 South Street, Hyannis, MA 02601

Tax Collector's Office is open to the public by appointment only. Please call the office at 508-862-4054 or email [taxcollector@town.barnstable.ma.us](mailto:taxcollector@town.barnstable.ma.us) to make an appointment or for any questions regarding real estate and personal property taxes, motor vehicle and boat excise taxes and sewer utility bill payments. Payment options for Treasurer/Collector's office:

- Mail checks using the envelope provided or to the Town of Barnstable, PO Box 40, Hyannis, MA 02601
- Online through the Town of Barnstable website under Quicklinks/Pay bills online
- Leave check payments in the outside drop box located next to the walkway leading to Town Hall, or by appointment.
- Please do not leave any cash in the drop box.

The third and fourth quarter real estate and personal property tax bills for Fiscal Year 2021 were mailed on December 31<sup>st</sup>. The third quarter was due on February 1, 2021 and the fourth quarter is due on May 3, 2021.

### ASSESSOR'S OFFICE

A drop off location has been established to the right of the front door at 367 Main Street.

Abatement Applications

Abatement forms are available on the town's website at <https://www.townofbarnstable.us/Departments/Assessing/>

Completed forms can be mailed to Town of Barnstable Assessor, 367 Main. St. Hyannis, MA 02601.

#### Property Information

Inquiries regarding property values can be requested by email to [assessor@town.barnstable.ma.us](mailto:assessor@town.barnstable.ma.us) or you can call 508.862.4022 or 508.862.4020.

All other forms are available at <https://www.townofbarnstable.us/Departments/Assessing/>

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#### TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE

A drop off location for paper applications has been established to the left of the front door at 367 Main Street. If your request does not need immediate attention, please use the drop off location for nomination papers, birth, death, and marriage certificates established in the front vestibule at 367 Main Street. Please submit your request in the lock box and call us on 508-862-4044.

**Instructions for Making an Appointment with Staff** If you would like to make an appointment with a staff member, please call 508-862-4044. Appointments will not be made with any person experiencing cough, fever, or shortness of breath; anyone tested positive for COVID-19; anyone who has been exposed to a tested positive COVID-19 case; or anyone directed to self-quarantine. Staff will ask you to confirm you do not meet any of these criteria upon making the appointment and upon arrival at the appointment.

#### 200 MAIN STREET

##### **Instructions for Dropping Off Permit Applications**

- Include a contact name, and telephone number and/or e-mail address.
- DO NOT submit payment with the application. It will be collected at a later time.
- There will be a minimum 48 hour delay between the time an application is dropped off and when it is officially received.
- A staff member will contact you to confirm receipt of the application and with comments and/or instructions and to arrange payment of fees.

##### **Instructions for Making an Appointment with Staff**

If you would like to make an appointment with a staff member, please call or e-mail the contact listed. Appointments will not be made with any person experiencing cough, fever, or shortness of breath; anyone tested positive for COVID-19; anyone who has been exposed to a tested positive COVID-19 case; or anyone directed to self-quarantine. Staff will ask you to confirm you do not meet any of these criteria upon making the appointment and upon arrival at the appointment.

##### **[Doing Business with Planning & Development During COVID-19](#)**

**The Last Word:**  
**If you are always trying to be normal**  
**you will never know how amazing you can be.**  
**~Maya Angelou**

Thank you for receiving and reading e-news each week!





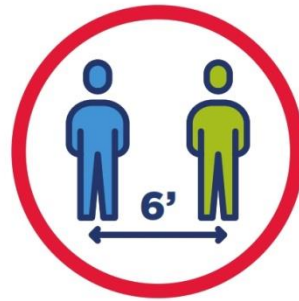
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