On Thursday, October 8th, members of the Barnstable Police Department took students from the Barnstable Intermediate School for their annual Shop with A Cop event which included lunch at Tugboats following by shopping at a local retailer.

Was this issue of eNews forwarded to you? You can sign up here to receive “Barnstable eNews – weekly” directly to your email box.

Beach Water Quality Updates can be found on the Town of Barnstable’s website.

Stay Informed with www.BarnstableHealth.com
The Town of Barnstable has launched a new resource (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.

Town Manager Mark Ells’ Community Update
Town Manager Mark Ells continues to provide updates through Channel 18 to keep people informed with accurate information about what is going on in the Town of Barnstable. Mr. Ells’ latest Community Update provides information about the importance of responding to the 2020 Census, availability of Emergency Rental and Mortgage Assistance Payments, and upcoming meetings on the Comprehensive Water Management Plan. Mr. Ells will be reaching out to our youth on this important issue as it will impact their future quality of life. Thank you for remaining diligent with the protocols that will keep you, your family, and community safe. You are encouraged to visit the state’s website for more
information regarding Governor Baker’s 4-Phase Reopening Plan. The Town of Barnstable continues to assist businesses with economic recovery. Past episodes of Town Manager Mark Ells’ Community Updates can be viewed here.

**A Reminder to Take the 2020 Census NOW!**

*Self-response Opportunities End Soon*
Take the Census now! The self-response opportunities end soon. Everyone who resides in the United States needs to be counted. The state of Massachusetts received approximately $2,400 in federal aid for each person counted which goes towards schools, transportation, SNAP assistance, healthcare, housing and more. The number of people counted determines the number of representatives Massachusetts has in the U.S. Congress. If you own rental property (including vacation rentals) you should complete the Census for the address you live in for most of the year. Completing the Census helps ensure that the Town of Barnstable and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts receives that aid and maintains representation in Congress. Representatives of the Census will continue field work (going door to door for non-responsive households) for a short period of time. To respond visit my2020Census.gov or call 1-844-330-2020. Multiple languages are available by phone. Thank You.

**Low Risk Communities Moved to Phase III, Step 2 on Monday, October 5th**
Lt. Gov. Polito announced on Tuesday, September 29, 2020 that Gov. Baker signed an Executive Order stating that low risk communities may move to Phase III, Step 2. This is due to good health metrics and will apply to towns with low risk beginning Monday, October 5, 2020. Low risk communities are those that remain on the DPH weekly reports for 3 consecutive weeks, ranked as the gray, green and yellow communities on the map. [https://www.mass.gov/info-details/community-level-covid-19-data-reporting](https://www.mass.gov/info-details/community-level-covid-19-data-reporting)

- If a community remains ranked red for three consecutive weeks, that community must step back to Phase III, Step 1.
- A small list of businesses is impacted by this step and will have restrictions.
- Indoor / outdoor performance venues may operate at 50% capacity but with a max capacity of 250 people.
- Recreational businesses (such as trampolines, laser tag, roller rinks) may operate at 50%. Stadiums are not included and may not open.
- Retail may utilize fitting rooms.
- Gyms, museums and flight schools may operate at 50% occupancy.
- Gatherings are also revised:
  - Indoor gatherings are still limited to 25 people.
  - Outdoor gatherings at private residences or private venues are limited to 50 in low risk communities.
  - Outdoor gatherings at event venues and public spaces are now allowed to 100 people.
All safety protocols must continue: stay home if ill, wear a mask, maintain social distance, wash hands frequently and keep cleaning/disinfectant of spaces and surfaces. Updates will be posted on the Mass.gov website before the weekend.
Massachusetts COVID Operating Standards Updated as of September 28, 2020

The Cape Cod Chamber of Commerce has provided links to web pages and documents related to the updated sector-specific restaurant, retail, and indoor and outdoor workplace safety standards. Please note that these updated standards are effective on Monday, September 28, 2020.

Updated Sector-Specific Workplace Safety Standards

- Restaurants Safety Standards and Checklist web page for current standards and other information
- Download Restaurant Safety Standards (effective Monday, September 28)
- Retail Safety Standards and Checklist web page for current standards and other information
- Download Retail Safety Standards (effective Monday, September 28)
- Indoor and Outdoor Events Standards and Checklist web page for current standards and other information
- Download Indoor and Outdoor Events Safety Standards (effective Monday, September 28)

*TODAY* Massachusetts Department of Transportation – Highway Division

Notice of a Public Hearing - Project File No. 607398 – Now scheduled to go live October 9, 2020

A Virtual Design Public Hearing will be published on the MassDOT website below to present the design for the proposed Barnstable – Yarmouth Cape Cod Rail Trail (Phase III) project in Barnstable and Yarmouth, MA.

WHEN: Friday, October 9, 2020

PURPOSE: The purpose of this hearing is to provide the public with the opportunity to become fully acquainted with the proposed Barnstable – Yarmouth Cape Cod Rail Trail (Phase III) project. All views and comments submitted in response to the hearing will be reviewed and considered to the maximum extent possible.

PROPOSAL: This project proposes to extend the CCRT through Yarmouth and into a portion of Barnstable, to a new trail head on Mary Dunn Road in the Town of Barnstable. The route of the CCRT Phase III will follow a combination of an existing shared-use path and a newly constructed shared-use path. Bicycle accommodations consisting of a 10’ bicycle lane have been provided in accordance with applicable design guides. A secure right-of-way is necessary for this project. Acquisitions in fee and permanent or temporary easements may be required. The Towns of Barnstable and Yarmouth are responsible for acquiring all needed rights in private or public lands. MassDOT’s policy concerning land acquisitions will be presented in the hearing.
Written statements and other exhibits regarding the proposed undertaking are to be submitted to Patricia A. Leavenworth, P.E., Chief Engineer, MassDOT, 10 Park Plaza, Boston, MA 02116, Attention: Project Management, Project File No. 607398. Mailed statements and exhibits intended for inclusion in the public hearing/meeting transcript must be postmarked no later than ten (10) business days after the hearing is posted to the MassDOT website listed below. Project inquiries may be emailed to dot.feedback.highway@state.ma.us. This hearing is accessible to people with disabilities. MassDOT provides reasonable accommodations and/or language assistance free of charge upon request (e.g. interpreters in American Sign Language and languages other than English, live captioning, videos, assistive listening devices and alternate material formats), as available. For accommodation or language assistance, please contact MassDOT’s Chief Diversity and Civil Rights Officer by phone (857-368-8580), TTD/TTY at (857) 266-0603, fax (857) 368-0602 or by email (MassDOT.CivilRights@dot.state.ma.us). Requests should be made as soon as possible prior to the meeting, and for more difficult to arrange services including sign-language, CART or language translation or interpretation, requests should be made at least ten business days before the hearing. More information on this Virtual Design Public Hearing can be found here.

Town of Barnstable Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) Notice of Document Availability, Public Meeting and Comment Period

The Town of Barnstable has completed the 2019 program year for the Community Development Block Grant program and is preparing Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report (CAPER) for the period July 1, 2019-June 30, 2020. The Town was awarded $278,102 in federal funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to address the goals and objectives of the Town of Barnstable Consolidated Plan for 2015-2019. The CAPER is a year-end report that outlines the accomplishments of the Town’s CDBG program and is available for review and comment before the Town submits it to HUD for approval.

DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY

The Draft CAPER will be available for review as of October 9, 2020 on the Town website: https://www.townofbarnstable.us/departments/cdbg or by contacting Kathleen Girouard at kathleen.girouard@town.barnstable.ma.us or 508-862-4678.

PUBLIC MEETING

The public is invited to participate in a virtual public meeting on the CAPER on Wednesday, October 21, 2020 at 2:00 pm via interactive online webinar.

To join Zoom meeting please click or copy the following link: https://zoom.us/j/94482221669 or you can join by calling 888-475-4499 US toll-free. The meeting ID is 94482221669. Comments received in the meeting will be summarized in the final submission to HUD. Anyone unable to attend the meeting may email comments to address below.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Written comments received on or before 4pm on October 28, 2020 will be included in the final submission to HUD. Please email comments to Kathleen Girouard kathleen.girouard@town.barnstable.ma.us with “CDBG Comments” in the subject line please.

CONTACT INFORMATION: Kathleen Girouard, Planning & Development Dept. by Email (preferred): kathleen.girouard@town.barnstable.ma.us or you can leave a message at: 508-862-4678 and someone will return your call.
Barnstable Municipal Airport Seeks Community Input on Development of 20-Year Master Plan

Barnstable Municipal Airport (HYA) has embarked on the development of a 20-year master plan to ensure that the facility can continue to safely and efficiently meet the aviation needs of the National Airspace System and the surrounding community. The preparation of an airport master plan is required by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) in order to plan for the future and highlight airport projects in need of future federal funding, including rehabilitation of existing infrastructure. The master plan will not only consider the needs of aviation (the airfield, local general aviation, corporate aviation, and commercial aviation) over the next 20-years but will also consider the needs of Cape Cod and the local region and economy. The plan will also make recommendations for promoting compatible land use around the airport and maximize opportunities for non-aeronautical revenues to help support the airport’s financial future. As a publicly funded project at a publicly owned, public use airport, transparency and public engagement is of the utmost importance. To accomplish this, airport management, along with McFarland Johnson, the consultant hired to conduct the master plan has crafted a public engagement plan that includes outreach to not only airport stakeholders, but the general public as well. A project stakeholder group comprised of over 40 representatives of airport tenants, users, Town of Barnstable officials, businesses, chambers of commerce, the Cape Cod Commission, and more will meet four times over the course of the project to provide feedback and insight for the airport and consulting team as the project is developed. The first of four meetings was held in person, with the second being conducted virtually. The remaining two meetings will be held in person, if possible, otherwise they will be held virtually as well. Traditionally, airport master plans will hold public workshops in the form of an open house once or twice during the course of the project. These workshops act as forums for members of the general public to learn about the airport, the master plan, and proposed improvements and provide feedback in the form of comments to the project team. With the ongoing Covid-19 precautions and because the airport and project team anticipate a high degree of interest from the surrounding community and in the interest of public safety, the content for the first public workshop has been placed online. The airport’s YouTube channel (http://bit.ly/HYAmasterplan) now features presentations from previous project stakeholder meetings, divided by topic area into short, narrated videos for the public to watch and share. In addition, a dedicated e-mail address HYAMasterPlan@mjinc.com has been set up to receive any questions or comments that the public may have regarding the master plan for the airport. Airport Master Plan documents can also be viewed and downloaded via the airport website (https://www.town.barnstable.ma.us/airport/). Comments and questions received by November 2, 2020, will be included in a response to comments and question/answer video that will be added to the channel at a later date. Anyone requesting special accommodations to watch, listen or learn from the YouTube video content can contact the airport at 508-775-2020.

About Barnstable Municipal Airport:
Barnstable Municipal Airport, located in Hyannis, Massachusetts on Cape Cod, provides commercial and general aviation services to Boston, New York and the islands of Martha’s Vineyard and Nantucket. It is owned by the Town of Barnstable and managed by the Barnstable Municipal Airport Commission and its staff. Please check us out on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

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.

Public Health Division - Influenza Vaccination Clinics

Next flu clinic Wednesday, November 4th 3:00-5:00 PM

Wednesday Afternoon November 4, 2020 3:00-5:00 PM
Drive-thru ONLY at St. George Greek Orthodox Church Route 28, Centerville.
These clinics are open to Town of Barnstable residents only (open to Centerville, Osterville, Hyannis, West Barnstable, Cotuit, Marstons Mills, and Barnstable Village residents).
Please print-out and complete the consent form before arriving to reduce waiting times.
The Town of Barnstable does NOT have the high dosage vaccine for Seniors. We provide the quadrivalent vaccine for all ages which is recommended by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health.

CONSENT FORM
For More Information: Call the Town of Barnstable Public Health Division at (508) 862-4644.

Farm to Families Food Distribution by the Massachusetts Military Support Foundation Hosted by Cape Cod Community College – Saturday, October 10th from 9:00 AM-1:00 PM

Cape Cod Community College will be the site of weekly Farm to Families food distribution events throughout the month of October. The Farm to Families program is one of the US Department of Agriculture’s community grant offerings throughout the country. Volunteers with the Nicholas G Xiahros Foundation and The Family Table Collaborative (an initiative with the Cape Cod Culinary Incubator and
the Cape Cod chapter of the American Culinary Federation.) The food is being distributed by Massachusetts Military Support Foundation to feed families across the Cape. Each family will receive a 35 pound box of groceries including cheese, produce, milk and meats. The food is provided at no cost to families in the area. Saturday, October 10th, we’ll be distributing 1050 cases from the USDA Farmers to Families program grant, in partnership with Don Cox and the Massachusetts Military Support Foundation. The distribution will take place at Cape Cod Community College from 9:00 AM-1:00 PM.

Please note:

- No one will be allowed to line up before 8:00 AM
- One box of food per vehicle
- Follow the Food line if you’re picking up a box of the food
- Please be patient. The lines will be long, but we will do our best to move it quickly
- Once in the queue in Lot 12, please pop your trunk so we can put the food in easier. Please do not exit your vehicle.
- Follow the Campus line if you’re volunteering (you will have your temperature taken upon arrival, will have to be masked the entire time on campus, will park in Lot 11 and walk to Lot 12), you must sign in upon arrival

It takes a village, so if you’d like to volunteer, please contact Jeni at jenimwheeler@gmail.com.

**FOOD4VETS BARNSTABLE**

The Massachusetts Military Support Foundation is proud to partner with the Cape Cod Veterans Affairs Counseling Center, the Town of Barnstable, Peter and Judy Scarafile, Town Councilor Matt Levesque, State Representative Will Crocker, and other local Veteran and Military Family supporters as we provide 100 Meal Kits for Barnstable area Veterans, Military, widows of veterans, Gold Star and White Star families in need. Each Meal Kit contains non-perishable food items that will provide two weeks’ worth of healthy meals. The Massachusetts Military Support Foundation is dedicated our great Nation and the men and women who serve and defend it. For additional information please visit our web site at [www.massmilitarysupportfoundation.org](http://www.massmilitarysupportfoundation.org) or Follow on Facebook. **FOOD4VETS BARNSTABLE** will take place on Tuesday, October 13, from 1:00-3:00 PM in the rear parking lot of the Cape Cod Vet Center located at 474 West Main Street in Hyannis.

1. **Pre-Registration is required** and can be done easily by clicking on this link: [https://clearpathnewengland.formstack.com/forms/food_supply_request_mmsf_barnstable](https://clearpathnewengland.formstack.com/forms/food_supply_request_mmsf_barnstable) or right clicking on the Hyper-link in the food4vets attachment.
1A. For veterans that struggle with computers or computer access please have them call Adam at the Cape Cod Vet Center at 508-778-0124 and he will try to help them register.

2. Arrive in Parking Lot
3. Stay INSIDE vehicle
4. Open Trunk
5. 14 Day Meal Kit will be placed inside trunk by a Volunteer with PPE
6. Drive away

**Meals for Barnstable Public School Students**

Barnstable Public Schools is providing FREE breakfast and lunch for any student free of charge. (No ID is required). All children are welcome regardless of town of residence or school attended. All meals will be offered in compliance with USDA standards and will be a “Grab and Go” option.
We will be providing both breakfast and lunch at the same time. Students are encouraged to take one breakfast and one lunch. **NOTE:** Fridays we will be handing out 3 breakfast and 3 lunches to each student for the weekend. Starting on September 16th from 11:30 AM-12:30 PM, all schools will have grab and go breakfast and lunch set-up outside. This will be available until the end of the year. This is free to all students in Barnstable. **We must stress the importance of social distancing during meal pick up.** You can just drive up and we will bring the meals to you. Please do not congregate at meal sites, and please remain 6 feet from those around you at meal pick up. Our BPS educators and staff are also leading efforts to collect non-perishable food items, and we will begin distributing those items at meal sites as well.

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

The [Cape Cod Medical Reserve Corps’ Delivery Service](https://www.ccma.org/) 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](https://www.ccma.org/). 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.

**Important Early Voting Information from Town Clerk Ann Quirk**

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**In-Person Early Voting**

Barnstable Adult Community Center ~ 825 Falmouth Rd, Hyannis

*In Person* Early Voting prior to General Election:

- **Saturday, October 17, 2020** – Friday, October 30, 2020
- **Saturday, October 17 & Sunday, October 18** from 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM
- **Monday, October 19** – **Friday, October 30** – 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM
- **Saturday, October 24 & Sunday, October 25** from 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM

**Vote at your Polling Location on Election Day – Tuesday, September 1, 2020**

Hours from 7:00 AM to 8:00 PM

There are three ways to apply for an Absentee or an Early Vote by mail ballot: [https://www.sec.state.ma.us/ele/elepdf/2020-Vote-by-Mail-Application.pdf](https://www.sec.state.ma.us/ele/elepdf/2020-Vote-by-Mail-Application.pdf)

Fill out an Absentee or Early Vote by Mail ballot application, sign and send:

- **by mail** to Town Clerk’s Office, 367 Main St, Hyannis, MA 02601
- **by Fax** to (508) 790-6323  *by email* to vote@town.barnstable.ma.us
Track your Application and Ballot
Once you have voted your ballot, put it into the inside envelope, write your name, address and sign the inside envelope, put the signed envelope into the mailing envelope, you may mail it back for free or drop it into the black Lock Box on the top step of Barnstable Town Hall, 367 Main Street, Hyannis (doors facing the Village Green).

Thank You and Stay Safe!

Emergency Rental and Mortgage Assistance Payments Available
If you have been unable to pay your rent or mortgage due to a loss of income related to the coronavirus, you may be eligible for Emergency Rental or Mortgage Assistance Payments through the Workforce Housing Relief Fund administered by the Housing Assistance Corporation. The application and additional information about the Fund are available on the Housing Assistance Corporation’s website. [https://haconcapecod.org/programs/homeless-prevention/](https://haconcapecod.org/programs/homeless-prevention/). The Town of Barnstable’s Affordable Housing Growth and Development Trust Fund contributed $300,000 to Housing Assistance Corporation’s Workforce Housing Relief Fund.

News from the Barnstable Council on Aging
Weekly Drive thru Grab and Go
Summer days may be a fading memory, but fall is a great time to get out of the house for a ride! Swing on by the BACC parking lot each week to pick up our daily Grab and Go. Our staff member will be happy to see you, and will bring the food items right to your car. Don’t drive? Give us a call, and we will deliver to your door! This program is FREE, thanks to the generosity of the Friends of the Barnstable Council on Aging.

Coffee and Donuts: Get out of the house and stop by the BACC for a fresh cup of coffee and a delicious donut. What a great way to start the day! **Mondays, 9:00-10:00 AM**

Grab a Bag Lunch to Go: Lunch is on us! Every week will be a different, but always something fresh and tasty. **Tuesdays, 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM**

Sweet Treat Thursday: Everyone loved this, so by popular demand we will continue providing a different sweet treat each week. A different and delicious sweet treat each week! **Thursdays, 1 – 2 p.m.**

FREE Virtual Online Classes
Enjoy some great virtual classes from the comfort of your own home. To register, call 508-862-4750. For questions, or more info, email Susan: susan.griffin@town.barnstable.ma.us

**Meditation with Pete Cormier**
Take 40 minutes to yourself! Meditate, relax and rejuvenate. **Wednesday 10/7-10/28** 1:00-1:40 PM

**Zumba Gold with Christina**
A gentler version of the original, this low-impact cardio workout is designed for the beginner, the active older adult and individuals who require movement modification. Instructor: Christina Arabadzhieva **Wednesday 10/7-10/28** 9:00-10:00 AM

**Sandy Neck Beach Photographic Tour**
Join Natural Resources staffer Donna Bragg as she shares the amazing photos she’s taken over the years of the flora, fauna and other views at our beautiful Sandy Neck beach area. **Facilitator: Donna Bragg of Natural Resources** **Thursday 10/13** 1:00-2:00 PM

**Yoga with Bonnie**
Bonnie is back on Zoom! This first session is offered for free, so get back in to light stretching, deep breathing and calming meditation. Be well for the winter. **Instructor: Bonnie Silva**
Wednesday 10/14-10/28  1:00-2:00 PM

Medicare Open Enrollment Begins October 15th

Now is the time to review your current Medicare plan options. A quick review could save you money in 2021. Medicare’s Part C (Medicare Advantage Plan) and Part D (Prescription Drug Plan) Annual Open Enrollment begins October 15th and ends December 7th. Please make sure you review your 2021 Medicare options during this time period so that you have the most cost-effective plan for 2021. SHINE Counselors can help you understand your plan’s changes, screen you for assistance programs and discuss other options you may have. If you do not change your plan during this period you may have to stay with your existing plan for another whole year. This year all SHINE appointments will be conducted online or via phone. The BACC is now scheduling appointments for Open Enrollment on. Please call (508)862-4752 to schedule an appointment.

Hyannis HyArts Artist Shanties | Outdoor shopping!
October weekends - 11:00 AM – 4:00 PM
Friday through Sunday

Call to artists to participate in 2021 applications available on-line at www.ArtsBarnstable.com

HYANNIS HYARTS ARTIST SHANTIES: 180 Ocean Street, BISMORE PARK
Open October weekends, Friday through Sunday, October 2 through 25, 2020  11:00 AM to 4:00 PM
Artists are set up for proper physical distancing and sanitizing wares often.
Meet Cape Cod artists selling hand-made, designed or crafted in a variety of mediums. Artists frequently open early and stay late. @artsbarnstable on facebook/instagram

PARKING: PARK AND WALK Free and metered parking lots are located steps away from Hyannis Main Street & Hyannis Harbor.
Mobile pay to park available for Bismore Park and Ocean Street lots. Download the app: https://www.mpay2park.com

2021 HYANNIS HYARTS ARTIST SHANTY SEASON
The Town of Barnstable is currently accepting applications for artists and artisans interested in participating in the 2021 season.
Applications are received on rolling basis until all spots are filled.
Application review begins November 1 of each year.
Applications can be submitted online: www.ArtsBarnstable.com

ABOUT THE HYANNIS HYARTS ARTIST SHANTY PROGRAM:
Artist shanties are located in the Hyannis HyArts Cultural District, on Ocean Street, along the Walkway-to-the-Sea from Hyannis Main Street to Hyannis Harbor. Seven shanties are located at Bismore Park, 180 Ocean Street, and steps away five shanties are located at the Harbor Overlook, 51 Ocean Street, at the corner of South and Ocean Street, overlooking Aselton Park and Hyannis Harbor. The expansion of the Hyannis HyArts Artist Shanty program to two locations creates an additional attraction for visitors walking from Main Street to Hyannis Harbor through the Hyannis Village Green along the Walkway-to-the-Sea and, at the same time, provides more affordable selling space and increased exposure for local artists and artisans. The Hyannis HyArts Artist Shanty Program began in
2005, as the first in a series of arts-oriented strategies designed to provide opportunities and exposure for local artists; enliven the economic climate in downtown Hyannis; and establish an important vibrant backdrop for year round residents and visitors. The shanties are open weekends May through mid-June; seven days a week through end of September; October weekends and special events in November and December. Artist work is hand-made, hand crafted or designed and all artists are from Cape Cod. A variety of work is represented including jewelry, paintings, photography, visual art, woodcarving, fiber arts, ceramics, rope work, glass work, literary art, mixed media, and more. This artist program is made possible in cooperation with the Town of Barnstable, and its Cultural District partners including the Cape Cod Art Center (CCAC), Hyannis Main Street Business Improvement District (BID), the Greater Hyannis Area Chamber of Commerce, the JFK Hyannis Museum and Cape Cod Maritime Museum and the Cape Cod Regional Transit Authority. For more information contact: Melissa Chartrand, Arts & Culture Coordinator, melissa.chartrand@town.barnstable.ma.us .

**Town of Barnstable Economic Recovery Planning**

Town of Barnstable staff are working to help our businesses reopen successfully, recover from this crisis, and move towards a strong and prosperous future. We are listening to and working with our businesses, residents, the Economic Development Task Force (a Town Council presidential subcommittee), the Hyannis Main Street Business Improvement District, and other community partners on developing an **Economic Recovery Plan**, with an initial focus on promoting the safe and successful reopening of businesses when allowed by the Governor. We are looking at ways the Town can support our local businesses, while promoting public health and safety. If there are ways we can help you succeed in the coming days, months, and in the long-term, please reach out and share your suggestions with us. Submit your suggestions on the [Economic Recovery Plan website](#). Additionally, we encourage our businesses to take the [Cape Cod Commission’s online survey](#) for Cape Cod business owners. The survey is being conducted to better understand the current and anticipated economic impacts of COVID-19. Data collected through this survey will be used to support economic recovery now and in the coming weeks and months, and can be leveraged by businesses, towns, and other organizations in future grant applications and reports.

**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.*

**UPDATED** Pipe Installation, Hinckley Road from Falmouth Road to Route 132 National Grid Work for installation of a new gas main in Hinckley Road in Hyannis is complete. Final restoration to be done in spring 2021.

**CONTINUES** Drainage & Pavement Improvements on Huckins Neck Road in Centerville/Barnstable Village Pavement improvements on Huckins Neck Road in Centerville and Barnstable Village will continue through November 20, 2020. The work includes installation of new drainage systems, repairs to existing drainage systems, milling of the existing pavement, and adjustment of drainage structure castings, overlay with new pavement and restoration of any areas disturbed during construction. Normal work hours will be between 7:00 AM to 5:00 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.
National Grid will be installing a new gas main on Service Road in Barnstable. 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. Gas Line installation is anticipated to be complete in October, with testing being completed through November 2020. Final re-paving of Service Road is anticipated to be completed in spring 2021.

MassDOT Construction operations on the intersection at Falmouth Road (Route 28) at Osterville West Barnstable Road will continue through to April 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.

Construction is scheduled to continue through the fall. 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.

Construction is scheduled to end in May 2021. Normal work hours are 7:00 AM to 3:30 PM, Monday through Friday. Work will involve 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.

Construction is expected to end in October 2020. Normal work hours are 7:00 AM to 3:30 PM, Monday through Friday. Work will involve
excavating trenches in the roads, installing sanitary sewer pipes and manholes, backfilling, compacting, and paving. During portions of the work there will be road closures for construction on Business Lane, the south half of Merchants Way, and Kidd’s Hill Road (about 500 feet each side of its intersection with Merchants Way).

*CONTINUES* Survey and Map five of the Phase 1 Sewer Expansion Projects As the first step in a multi-year planning and design effort, the Barnstable Department of Public Works has contracted with multiple land surveying firms to survey and map five of the Phase 1 Sewer Expansion Projects identified in the Town’s Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan. The projects include the mapping of dozens of roadways, including many residential areas for the following Phase 1 projects:

- Phinney's Lane Sewer Expansion Project which includes Phinney’s Lane from Route 132 to Route 28 including residential roads to the east and west of Phinney’s Lane
- Long Pond Area Sewer Expansion Project which includes all roadways between Old Stage Road/Park Avenue (western limits) and Strawberry Hill Road (eastern limits) and including the residential areas on the north and south side of Pine Street
- Route 28 East Sewer Expansion Project which includes Route 28 from the Water Pollution Control Facility property to Phinney’s Lane
- Route 28 Centerville Sewer Expansion Project which includes Route 28 from Phinney’s Lane to East Osterville Road and includes East Osterville Road and Old East Osterville Road
- Route 28 Marstons Mills Sewer Expansion Project which includes Route 28 from East Osterville Road to Old Post Road

Citizens can expect survey field crews to be working within the project areas at various times throughout the summer and fall. In the coming weeks, property owners within the project areas will be receiving notifications from the survey consultants which provide further detail on the survey project. Citizens are encouraged to review the Town’s Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan which is available on the Town’s website at: https://townofbarnstable.us/WaterResources/CWMP_Final.asp. Any questions regarding this survey effort, or the Town’s Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan, should be directed to the Barnstable Department of Public Works at 508-790-6400.

Vineyard Wind Hosts Virtual Information Sessions

![Vineyard Wind Virtual Information Session](image)

**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.

### Hurricane Preparedness

![HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS](#) ![Extra steps to prepare for hurricane season during COVID-19](#)

#### Working with Barnstable Town Hall

Effective Friday, March 20, 2020, as a precautionary measure to prevent and mitigate the spread of COVID-19 and in the interest of the health and well-being of our employees and the residents of the Town of Barnstable, most town buildings are closed to the public. We are making adjustments to our business operations to ensure resources are focused where the need is greatest. Please understand the fluid nature of this situation and that we are reassessing and adapting our response as needed to this developing situation. Public access to 200 Main Street and the Town Hall Offices 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.

A listing of Town owned buildings that have closed is listed [here](#).

**TREASURER’S OFFICE**

The Treasurer’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 liened 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**

Tax Collector’s Office is currently closed to the public, except by appointment. 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 Real Estate and Personal Property tax bills for Fiscal Year 2021 were mailed on July 1st. The first quarter was due on August 3, 2020 and the second quarter is due on November 2, 2020.

**ASSESSOR’S OFFICE**

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 or you can call 508.862.4022 or 508.862.4020.

Forms

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

**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.

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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**

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**The Last Word:**

*What really matters from the point of view of social capital and civic engagement is not merely nominal membership, but active and involved membership.*

~ Robert D. Putnam~
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