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2025 MAYOR'S NEWSLETTER

Week Ending June 20, 2025

Word/Theme of the Week: Carrying a load

"It's not the load that breaks you down, it's the way you carry it."

[Lena Horne](#)

[Brockton Rox Tickets](#)

MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

Happy Friday everyone!

I hope you all enjoyed a well-deserved day off yesterday as our Country celebrated Juneteenth. This incredibly important holiday serves as a reminder of how far we have come. For a City that once served as a stop on the Underground Railroad, Juneteenth holds special significance. With a long history of supporting freedom, Brockton has become a welcoming place where anyone can build the life they want for themselves and their family.

This past week, the Finance Committee held budget meetings. I want to thank everyone who was involved in creating this year's budget including the Finance and Auditing Departments, and the Department Heads. The hours of work that goes into the budget book can not be overstated and our City's budget books are exceptional. As has happened for the last five budget cycles, the City will be awarded the "Distinguished Budget Presentation Award" from the Government Finance Officers

Association of the United States and Canada. The award is the highest form of recognition in governmental budgeting and in earning this recognition, the City has demonstrated that its budget document is among the best in North America. [You can find out more about this award here.](#)

Thank you all for everything you do for our wonderful City and I hope you have a wonderful weekend.

Regards,

Bob

GOOD NEWS BROCKTON

Brockton Schools Pick New CFO. Who Is She?

[Enterprise, June 18th](#)

Students at Brockton High School Learn About Mushrooms By Growing Their Own

[CBS News Boston](#)

Meet the Top 10 Students in Brockton's Class of 2025

[Enterprise, June 17th](#)

For Brockton's cultural events including flag raising ceremonies, concerts, sports, and important public meetings tune in to the [Brockton Community Access YouTube Channel](#).

HOUSEKEEPING

Brockton Farmers Market Returns The Farmers Market is located on VFW Parkway on Fridays between 10:00 am and 2:00 pm through October 31. [For more information, visit the Farmers Market website.](#)

Warren Avenue Road Work Traffic Update Road work continues on Warren Avenue between Pleasant Street and Belmont Street. Only one lane of traffic will be available during the hours of 8:00 am–3:00 pm during construction.

Brockton Community Schools Summer Camp Program [Click here for more information about the summer camps.](#)

FLAG RAISINGS

Canada: July 1st at 3:30 pm

Peru: July 25th at 3:30 pm

EVENTS IN BROCKTON

Piano Concert

Sunday, June 29th at 3:00 pm

First Luther Church of Brockton, 900 Main Street

[Details](#)

Brockton Bikes “First Fridays” Ride

Friday, July 11th at 6:00 pm

Meet in front of Brockton Beer Company, 121 Main Street

[Details](#)

Reading Frederick Douglass Together 2025

Saturday, July 12th 10:00 am–12:00 pm

Frederick Douglass Garden, 95 Frederick Douglass Way

[Details](#)

Greater Brockton Young Professionals Pitch and Connect at The Rox

Thursday, June 26th 6:00–10:00 pm

Campanelli Stadium, One Feinberg Way

Tickets \$20

[Registration](#)

Art From The Heart Classes

Every Sunday 3:00–6:00 pm

ENSO Gallery East, 86 Centre Street

Email to sign up: legendmyname@gmail.com

Fee: \$10 per person per class

Brockton Poetry Workshops

Every third Sunday 4:00–6:00 pm

Gallery 33@Stacy Adams, 33 Dover Street

FREE

[Details](#)

[For more information about events in Brockton, check out the City's event page](#)

HAPPENINGS AT BROCKTON PUBLIC LIBRARY

All events are FREE and open to the public unless otherwise indicated.

Adult Book Club: *Tremors in the Blood* by Amit Katwala

Saturday, June 21st 10:00 am–12:30 pm

Large Conference Room, Senator Thomas P. Kennedy Main Library, 304 Main Street

[Details](#)

Girlz, Esq.

Saturday, June 21st 2:00–4:00 pm

Driscoll Art Gallery, Senator Thomas P. Kennedy Main Library, 304 Main Street

[Details](#)

Fighting for Our Kids: Navigating the Anti-LGBTQ Landscape

Wednesday, June 25th 6:30–7:30 pm

[Sign up for the Zoom](#)

[Details](#)

Abe Ovadia Jazz Concert

Saturday, June 28th 2:00–3:00 pm

[Zoom](#)

Latin Association Women's Support Group

Tuesdays 6:00–8:00 pm

Driscoll Art Gallery, Senator Thomas P. Kennedy Main Library, 304 Main Street

[Details](#)

Paperwork Assistance

[Haitian Creole](#) every **Saturday at 1:00 pm**

[Cape Verdean](#) **first and third Saturday of each month at 1:00 pm**

[Spanish](#) every **Monday and Tuesday 4:00–6:00 pm**

Senator Thomas P. Kennedy Main Library, 304 Main Street

MassHealth Insurance Assistance

Wednesdays and Thursdays 9:00 am–5:00 pm

Senator Thomas P. Kennedy Main Library, 304 Main Street

[Details](#)

Weekly Drop-in Assistance

Drop-in **Writing Help**: Tuesdays 3:00–4:00 pm

Drop-in **Tech Help**: Thursdays 3:00–4:00 pm

Senator Thomas P. Kennedy Main Library, 304 Main Street

Weekly Classes

Computer Basics: Mondays at 10:00 am

Computer Intermediate Level: Mondays at 11:35 am

Zoom Classes: Mondays 1:00–2:00 pm

Senator Thomas P. Kennedy Main Library, 304 Main Street

[Click here for more information about what is happening at the Library.](#)

EVENTS AT THE COUNCIL ON AGING

All events take place at the **Mary Cruise Kennedy Senior Center, 10 Father Kenney Way.**

Should you have any questions, or to sign up for any of our scheduled programs, please call 508-580-7811.

Musical Bingo with Brockton VNA Tuesday, June 24th at 1:00 pm

Summer for Seniors with the Brockton Fire Department Wednesday, June 25th at 10:00 am

Real Pirates of Salem: The Wreck of the Whydah Wednesday, June 25th at 1:00 pm

BP & Glucose Clinic with Brockton Board of Health Thursday, June 26th at 10:00 am

Understanding Alzheimer's and Dementia Thursday, June 26th at 1:30 pm

Fitness Programs \$3.00 donation

Monday

- 10:00 am Silver Boot Camp
- 1:00 pm Tonin' & Stretchin'

Tuesday

- 9:15 am Line Dancing

Wednesday

- 9:15 am Tai Chi
- 11:00 am Movin' & Groovin'
- 12:15 pm Mindfulness, Relaxation & Meditation
- 2:00 pm Zumba Gold

Thursday no fitness activities

Friday

- 9:00 am Shoe City Walkers (at the Westgate Mall)
- 10:00 am Posture & Balance
- 11:00 am Eldy's Yoga
- 12:00 pm Strong & Stable

Community Dining

Community Dining will take place at the Mary Cruise Kennedy Senior Center on **Tuesdays and Thursdays at 12:00 pm**. Suggested donation is \$2.50

SIGN UP FOR THE MAYOR'S CHAMPIONS UPDATE

[Click here for the most recent issue](#)

- [English](#)
 - [Cape Verdean Creole](#)
 - [Haitian Creole](#)
 - [Spanish](#)
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JOB AND VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

ESL (English as a Second Language) Instructors Needed at the Council on Aging

Contact Council on Aging Director Janice Fitzgerald for more information: 508-580-7811

Certified Fitness Instructors Needed at the Council on Aging

Contact Council on Aging Director Janice Fitzgerald for more information: 508-580-7811

Job Opportunities in the City of Brockton

[Details](#)

The Brockton Police Department is Hiring Police Cadets

[Details](#)

Brockton Public Schools Has Job Openings

[Details](#)

JOIN A BOARD OR COMMISSION

The City is currently seeking dedicated City residents to secure several open positions on Brockton's various Boards and Commissions. **While not open to City employees, we ask that you mention this to family and friends who may have an interest.** The boards and commissions have a crucial role in

ensuring the smooth operation of our City. Their duties include advising stakeholders, sharing specialized expertise, establishing policies, making recommendations for projects, and identifying areas in need of improvement.

The following boards and commissions have available positions:

[Zoning Board of Appeals](#) (only alternate positions available)

[Cemetery Board of Trustees](#) *High need*

[Commission on Human Rights](#) *High need*

[License Commission](#)

Beautification Committee

[Retirement Board](#)

[Conservation Commission](#)

[Brockton Community Access Advisory Board](#)

[Parks and Recreation](#)

For more information on the requirements and application process, please contact Sydné Marrow in the Mayor's Office at smarrow@cobma.us

DO YOU HAVE NEWS?

If you have something you would like to add to this weekly newsletter, please contact Suzanne McCormack at smccormack@cobma.us or 508-897-6817.



