

#### Helping Others In Our Community— Swampscott's Anchor Food Pantry

Get Involved by helping with the Anchor Winter Bag Collection

On National Giving Day, **Tuesday 12/6 from 5-8 PM**, the Anchor Food Pantry is working on their Anchor Winter Bag Collection. The Pantry is located next to the Fire Station, at 86 Burrill Street. Use this link for the <u>Sign-Up Genius</u> of items they would like donated.

We have a terrific group of residents working at the Anchor Food Pantry and helping others in our town. Check them out on <u>Facebook</u> or their <u>website</u>.





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# Helping Others – Swampscott's Anchor Food Pantry

#### Thanksgiving Meals

Their first annual Thanksgiving meal distribution! The Anchor Food Pantry Team distributed meals to 131 families, feeding over 350 neighbors for the holiday. Families receive a turkey, fresh fruits and veggies, flour, sugar, butter, pies, stuffing mix and other non-perishables.



#### **Senior Delivery Service**

With the help of a dedicated effort from a wide network of local volunteers, we are able to, on a weekly basis, deliver pre-packed pantry bags that are loaded with nutritious food options and helpful, everyday household goods to our beloved senior community.



## **New Senior Center Website!!**



This new easy -to-use website combines so much great information:

- 1. All Senior Center activities, programs and outings
- 2. All outreach activities such as social work, support groups and caregiver help
- 3. Multigenerational endeavors with the High School
- 4. Information about our Teams including Swampscott for All Ages, Council on Aging and the Friends of the Senior Center

# Check it out at: www.activeagingswampscott.com

The Annual Swampscott Police Association Holiday Parade is a great event that involves the community and benefits Swampscott Toys for Local Children (TLC). Swampscott Police Department officers volunteer and collect any donated toys along the parade route or donations can be dropped off at the Swampscott Police Station (531 Humphrey Street) from now until Saturday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>.







 $\sim$  Hosted by the Swampscott Police Association  $\sim$ 

December 10, 2022 @ 5:30PM

# Merry Christmas Happy New Year! Happy Hanukah

If your organization would like to participate in the event please contact Ted Delano, Jay Locke, Candace Doyle, or Mike Chandler at 781-595-1111. Parade Route: Starts at SHS, travels Essex to Burrill, Burrill to Paradise, Paradise to Vinnin to Salem St, Salem St to Humphrey St ending at Town Hall. Immediately following the Association Parade, the Town Recreation Department will be hosting music and family events on the Town Hall lawn.

**SWAMPSCOTT RECREATION'S** 

# DECEMBER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

NOV 29 - DEC 1

PUBLIC VIEWING DURING REGULAR
TOWN HAM HOURS

**DEC 7-20** 

GINGERBREAD HOUSE CONTEST

PUBLIC VIEWING DURING REGULAR TOWN HALL HOURS

DEC 10

**BREAKFAST WITH SANTA** 

9-11AM SWAMPSCOTT SENIOR CENTER

DEC 10

**HOLIDAY FESTIVAL** 

5-8PM TOWN HALL LAWN

DEC 31

FIRST NIGHT

1-4PM SWAMPSCOTT HIGH SCHOOL

FOR MORE DETAILS ON THESE EVENTS AND TO REGISTER:
SWAMPSCOTTREC.COM



#### DECEMBER 10TH 5-8PM

Shop all of our amazing crafters and vendors! Ride the electric train! Take pictures with Mrs. Claus and her mini reindeer! Jump in the ice castle bounce house! Listen to the carolers sing!

#### 5:00PM

HOLIDAY FAIR OPENS UP FOR SHOPPING ON TOWN HALL LAWN (UNTIL 8PM)

GINGERBREAD HOUSES ARE ON DISPLAY INSIDE TOWN HALL

TAKE A PICTURE WITH MRS. CLAUS AND HER MINI REINDEERS (UNTIL 8PM)

#### 5:30PM

HOLIDAY PARADE STARTS AT SWAMPSOTT HIGH SCHOOL

FLASHLIGHT CANDY CANE HUNT AT LINSCOTT PARK (BRING A FLASHLIGHT!)

6:00PM
TOWN HALL TREELIGHTING

SWAMPSCOTT RECREATION'S ON TOWN HALL LAWN SATURDAY CEMBER 10TH 5:00-8:00PM **FREE ADMISSION** Bounce house, Kiddie train ride, Crafts, Food, Gift Shopping, pictures with Mrs. Claus and her mini reindeer and so much more!

SWAMPSCOTT RECREATION'S ANNUAL

# Gingerbread House Contest



Decorate and win! A variety of categories will be judged for both kid and adult entries!

Gingerbread houses must be dropped off at Town Hall on December 6th between 8-5pm.

Houses will be displayed for the public at Town Hall from December 7th-20th.

To see all of the contest rules and to register, please visit: https://rb.gy/f99jmy





# **Upcoming Senior Center Events**

## WREATH DECORATING WORKSHOP

with the Garden Club of Swampscott



#### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 1 3-5PM

Cost \$22

Includes a wreath, bow, and assorted decorative items

Space is limited. Pre-payment is required. To register, please call 781-586-8866

## **Upcoming Senior Center Events**

# The Friends of the Swampscott Senior Center present

#### HO HO HO-LIDAY DINNER



#### Monday, December 12, 3:30pm

Enjoy a Stuffed Chicken Dinner and Entertainment Provided by Howie Conley & the Memory Makers

Cost \$10

Ticket must be pre-purchased at the Senior Center front desk by Thursday, December 8

# **Upcoming Senior Center Events**

# Celebrate the Festival of Lights



# Hanukkah Brunch Monday, December 19, 11:30am

Join us for latkes, lighting of the menorah and dreidel games

Cost \$4 includes Scrambled Eggs, Potato latkes,
Applesauce and Jelly Donuts
Pre-registration is required

# Community and Economic Development Upcoming Public Hearing

Public Hearing
Town of Swampscott
FY 2022-2023 Community Development Block Grant Application

Notice is hereby given that the Town of Swampscott, acting through the Office of Community and Economic Development, will hold a public hearing on Wednesday December 7, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. – at Swampscott Town Hall, 22 Monument Ave. First Floor Conference Room.

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the Town's Community Development Block Grant application for FY 2022-2023 to the Massachusetts Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program, to update the town on past grant funding, and to generate public input on projects and activities that should be included in the FY2022-2023 application.

CDBG funding may be used for eligible activities/projects including, but not limited to the following: housing rehabilitation, architectural barrier removal, planning, public social services, public facilities and infrastructures.

This public hearing is a grant requirement.

Any person or organization so willing will be afforded an opportunity to be heard. Suggestions for activities to be included in the grant application may be made at the hearing or before the hearing in writing to Community and Economic Development, Town Hall, 22 Monument Ave. Swampscott, MA 01907.

The Town encourages a broad spectrum of participation by residents and other interested parties in order to better understand and serve the needs of our community. The hearing location is accessible to persons with physical disabilities. If you require translation services, accommodations for the hearing impaired, or other accommodations, please contact the office of Community and Economic Development at least one week prior to the meeting.

For more information, please contact Marzie Galazka at mgalazka@swampscottma.gov or by calling 781-596-8829.

Lynn Item: 11/21 and 11/30

# **Public Safety News**

#### **Detective Ted Delano Earns Special Recognition**

# 2022 AWARDS & RECOGNITION RECIPIENTS

#### COMMUNITY SERVICE

Officer Sal Caruso Swampscott Police Department

#### LIFE SAVING

Officer Angel Serrano Weymouth Police Department

#### Mentorship Award

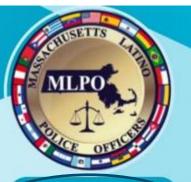
Officer Oswaldo "Ozzie" Ortiz Cambridge Police Department

#### Leadership Award

Chief Edgar Rodriguez Wentworth Institute of Technology Police Department

#### Officer of Year Award

Officer Felix Vicente Berklee College of Music Police Department



#### **Special Recognition**

Detective Ted Delano Swampscott Police Department

Officer Michael Padua Cambridge Police Department

Director Christopher Santiago Thomas College Department of Public Safety & Security

Trooper Casey LaMonte Massachusetts State Police

Trooper Michael Varga Massachusetts State Police

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Detective Ted Delano received Special Recognition for his diligent work with our Mental Health Task Force. Congratulations Ted!



## **Public Works**

#### Repairs Being Made on Fisherman's Beach Seawall



#### **New Trees!**

Honey Locust tree being planted on Nason Road.
Over the past two weeks Pubic Works has planted 20 shade trees at various locations throughout town. An additional eight trees will be planted on Town Hall property by the middle of next week.



# Blasting concerns?

Report your concerns at <u>SeeClickFix here</u> for quarry issues and other quality of life concerns

Also, if you have sustained damage to your home please contact the Swampscott Fire Department at (781) 595-4050 to register a complaint or to request paperwork to file an insurance claim for property damage.

#### **Schools**

Helpful Links

<u>New School</u> <u>Update</u>

Sign-up for Project Update Mailing List The General Contractor hired for the new school is <u>CTA Construction</u>.

You can view aerial drone footage of the project site from August to October by visiting the project website <a href="https://www.nee.gov.nee.



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# DECEMBER SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETINGS

DECEMBER 8, 2022 THURSDAY 6 PM REGULAR SESSION - SHS ROOM B129 & VIRTUAL

### Swampscott Trash and Recycling Updates



## How to Rid Ourselves of Plastic Pollution



Maria Sabrina Audlair is a Colombia native living in Massachusetts with her husband and 2 furry rescued princesses and has a mission to show that being sustainable and more planet friendly is something everyone can achieve, no matter what. She saw a need for plasticfree/low-waste products and refills in the local market and decided to step in and founded Unpacked Living, Inc. in 2019 as an online ecommerce.

Today she has storefronts in Beyerly & Danvers and is founder of the local Facebook group Zero Waste Massachusetts as a hub of information for people who want to learn how to reduce waste and live plastic-free.

#### Monday, December 12th 6:30 pm In Person & Online

"Plastic shouldn't have become part of our everyday lives.

We need to understand that we can't recycle our way out of the current state of the planet. As consumers we need to try hard to kick the plastic habit out of our lives and choose products that will be part of earth's natural cycle" -Sabrina Auclair

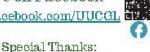
Join Maria Sabrina Auclair as she discusses how she helps everyday people take responsibility for the waste they produce, the products they use, and the impact they have on themselves and the environment, that can bring a change to the overwhelming pollution we have created.



101 Forest Avenue Swampscott, MA 01907

#### Online: Live on Facebook https://www.fa.cebook.com/UUCGL







#### JOIN US!

This event is free and open to the public - everyone is invited to come and learn!

The Swampscott Conservancy is a 501(c)3 with the mission to help support the Town of Swampscott in the preservation of our conservation lands and open spaces through education, research, and active stewardship.

## **Swampscott Trash and Recycling Updates**



The Swampscott Solid Waste
Advisory Committee is
inviting residents to
participate in a survey to
provide feedback on trash
and recycling programs.



# TAKE THE "TRASH" SURVEY



Survey is online. Paper copies available at Town Hall.

The Swampscott Solid Waste Advisory Committee (SWAC) would like to better understand residents' awareness of and participation in town and other waste removal and recycling programs, as well as collect feedback on these programs. The survey also seeks to understand whether there is a need to provide residents with better information to reduce solid waste (trash) by 30% by 2030 as required by the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection.

Here is a link to the <u>survey</u> (survey takes about 5 minutes to complete) or use the QR Code as pictured. There will also be printed copies available at Town Hall to take the survey.

#### **UPCOMING YARD WASTE DATES**

#### **REGULAR TRASH DAY**

December 5

#### **METAL RECYCLING & STYROFOAM**

#### **DROP-OFF DATES**

8 am-12 pm (Weather Permitting)
November 26
December 31

#### **HOLIDAY SCHEDULE**

Pick-up delayed by one day November 24

#### **COMPOSTING**

There are two free <u>compost stations</u> in Swampscott or sign-up for Black Earth's paid curbside service

#### **CLOTHING/SMALL HOUSEHOLD ITEMS**

Schedule a free pick-up from simplerecycling

#### **HAZARDOUS WASTE**

December 7 Sign up here

#### **MATTRESSES**

Recycle your mattress by purchasing a \$20 mattress recycling sticker from Town Hall or <u>online</u>. Note: Mattresses will be picked up curbside on the 2nd and last Saturday of each month

# October Happenings

#### Swampscott Housing Authority Hosts Halloween Party

The Swampscott Housing Authority in conjunction with SPD's Officer Sal Caruso held a Halloween Party! The attendees enjoyed a fun-filled evening including a special visit from the Swampscott Fire Department!









## Housing Authority & SPD Host Halloween Party

OCTOBER 27, 2022

# November Happenings











# Veteran's breakfast at the Senior Center

**NOVEMBER 11, 2022** 

#### Veteran News

November 2022

# Veteran's Day















Keep up on the Swampscott Veterans Services events on their Facebook page. <u>Click here.</u>

#### **Upcoming Meetings**

Up-to-date Information about Town of Swampscott Public Meetings can be found at: <u>Town Meetings</u> on the town website



# CLICK HERE TO SIGN UP FOR IMPORTANT TOWN ALERTS

CLICK HERE TO SUBSCRIBE FOR

SWAMPSCOTT COUNCIL ON AGING

NEWSLETTER

#### **IMPORTANT NUMBERS**

CUSTOMER SERVICE	(781) 596-8850
ASSESSOR	(781) 596-8850
BUILDING	(781) 596-8857
COMMUNITY DEV.	(781) 596-8829
DPW	(781) 596-8860
FACILITIES	(781) 596-8850
FINANCE	(781) 596-8877
FIRE	(781) 595-4050
	OR 911
HEALTH	(781) 596-8864
Human Resources	(781) 596-8810
LIBRARY	(781) 596-8867
POLICE	(781) 595-1111
	OR <b>911</b>
RECREATION	(781) 596-8854
RETIREMENT	(781) 596-8827
SENIOR SERVICES	(781) 596-8866
TOWN ADMINISTRATOR	(781) 596-8850
TOWN CLERK/ELECTIONS	(781) 596-4167
VETERANS	(781) 586-6911

#### TOWN WEBSITE:

WWW.SWAMPSCOTTMA.GOV

#### **FACEBOOK:**

LIKE US ON FACEBOOK

#### TWITTER:

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