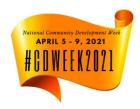
### **CITY OF PORTSMOUTH**



# City Manager's Advisory Wednesday, April 7, 2021



#### NATIONAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

**WEEK APR 5-9!** Community Development Week is an opportunity for communities like Portsmouth to highlight the impact of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program. The City receives over \$520,000 each year in CDBG funding, and received another \$490,000 in CDBG funds through the CARES Act. The week-long celebration with Congress, program partners, program participants and the public is intended to educate the community and Congress on CDBG programs/projects, their impact on the community and the importance of program funding. CDBG projects are designed primarily to benefit extremely low- to moderate- income households and individuals, and includes projects like social services and public facility improvements. Portsmouth's new Senior Activity Center was a beneficiary of CDBG funds. Click here for more information:

https://www.cityofportsmouth.com/node/244108

**REGIONAL COVID-19 DASHBOARD** – Click here for a larger, printable PDF.

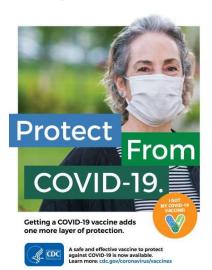
https://www.cityofportsmouth.com/sites/default/files/2021-04/CovidDashboard040521.pdf

**NEW! COVID-19 TREATMENT FAQS** -- For more information, assembled by the Blue Ribbon Committee on Health, on treatments that are available to help keep those diagnosed with COVID-19 out of the hospital, click here.

**VACCINATION REGISTRATION OPEN FOR ALL NH RESIDENTS AGE 16+** – NH's Vaccine & Immunization Network Interface website ("VINI") is now open to residents 16 or older. Only the Pfizer

vaccine is approved for 16 & 17 year olds, so be careful when selecting a vaccination site. For details, visit: <a href="https://www.vaccines.nh.gov/">https://www.vaccines.nh.gov/</a>

MCINTYRE PROJECT FINAL DESIGN PHASE REVIEW APR 20 at 6 pm via Zoom -- The intent of the session is to deliberate on the opportunity for new public space to enjoy at McIntyre. Principle Group will present the final draft McIntyre project sketch, developed using community input gathered over the past four months. The final sketch was modified to reflect the comments and data from the McIntyre public input survey, which was open from March 18 through 31. The McIntyre Final Draft Forum will be interactive, providing ample time for discussion and questions about the design. Advance Zoom registration is required. To register, please visit: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/v76yxuha">https://tinyurl.com/v76yxuha</a>



QUESTIONS ABOUT WHETHER TO GET THE VACCINE WHEN IT'S YOUR TURN? Click here. https://tinyurl.com/mc8c4bba

COVID-19 VACCINE ADMINISTRATION IN NEW HAMPSHIRE – As of April 7, 42% of all NH residents had received at least one dose. In total NH has received 886,415 vaccine doses and has administered 800,922 doses. 10% of all vaccines received are reserved and allocated for atrisk populations. To view the vaccine tracker, by state, click here: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/35nv3twc">https://tinyurl.com/35nv3twc</a>

**APRIL IS NATIONAL CHILD ABUSE PROTECTION MONTH** – NH Children's Trust has launched a **PREVENTION IS** campaign to help drive a community conversation about family strengthening protective factors and available community resources. To learn more, click here. <a href="https://tinyurl.com/4c2xdxsy">https://tinyurl.com/4c2xdxsy</a> Prevention is family support and family support is an action we can take.



HAVEN 10<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL "KIDS ARE OUR BUSINESS" BREAKFAST FRI APR 9 at 8:30 am via Zoom — Showcasing HAVEN's Safe Kids Strong Teens education program. Although the vaccine and warmer weather are beacons of hope for better days, domestic and sexual violence are going away. Discover what we can all do to keep kids safe with our panel of experts who specialize in disclosures, violence prevention, child advocacy and post-trauma care. \$10 registration helps support the program. https://tinyurl.com/2uv54ura

## GOOSE CONTROL AT PRESCOTT PARK, FOUR TREE ISLAND, GATEWAY PARK –

The Department of Public Works Parks & Greenery Group plans to implement a program to control the impact Canada Geese are having at Four Tree Island, Prescott Park, and the new Gateway park on Market Street. The plan is to use small-scale fireworks including Roman candles and firecrackers to scare the geese away. The goose control will take place starting this week and the DPW crew will monitor the area for fire prevention. The Legal Department, Portsmouth Police Department, Fire Department, Portsmouth Naval Shipyard and South End neighborhood have all been informed of the plan.

DOG LICENSES NOW BEING RENEWED --AND PLEASE DISPOSE OF DOG WASTE PROPERLY! As required by State law, all dogs residing in the City of Portsmouth must be licensed. Dog licenses extend from April 1 to March 31. For new licenses, click here for more information and the application.

https://www.cityofportsmouth.com/cityclerk/dog-license Dog license renewal notices were mailed/emailed to the 2,500 Portsmouth dog owners, on March 29. Renewal can be done by mail or online. Please make an appointment if you would like to renew in person, as all City services are currently by-appointment-only due to COVID-19 precautions. Please call 610-7245 to schedule an appointment.

Dog waste MUST be disposed of properly. DO NOT drop plastic bags with waste into storm drains! The whole purpose of picking up after your dog is to keep waste from polluting the stormwater with excess nitrogen. Take it home and throw the bag in your trash.

**MOSQUITO CONTROL SEASON --** Crews from Dragon Mosquito Control, Inc. are now performing seasonal checks on swamps, salt marshes, woodland pools, ditches, catch basins and other shallow, stagnant water for mosquito larvae. Citywide nighttime road spraying is not planned. If Eastern Equine Encephalitis, Jamestown Canyon Virus or West Nile Virus becomes a public health threat, spraying may be conducted at the schools, and parks. The decision to spray is made in consultation with city officials and is based upon mosquito surveillance data, disease test results and weather conditions. Residents who do not want their wetlands treated may use the No-Spray Registry online at www.DragonMosquito.com/No-Spray-Registry or write to Dragon Mosquito Control, Inc., PO Box 46, Stratham, NH 03885. Be sure to include your name, physical address, phone number, color of your house and acreage. If you have wetlands on your property and you would like Dragon Mosquito to check for mosquito activity, email them at Help@DragonMosquito.com, call 734-4144 or contact them through DragonMosquito.com. There is no charge for this service.

CHAMBER CHAT LIVE! Youth Apprenticeship Programs FRI APR 9 at 1 pm via Zoom. Youth apprenticeship programs combine technical classroom instruction with paid work experience. They provide the foundation for young people to choose multiple career pathways: enroll in college, begin employment, or a combination. Join Joan Glines, High School Youth Apprentice and Business Outreach Specialist from the Community College System of New Hampshire and Courtney Ritchings, Director of Career & Technical Education at Portsmouth High School in this Chamber Chat LIVE, as we learn how Youth Apprenticeship may answer the workforce challenges of today and tomorrow.

https://portsmouthchamber.org/events/details/chamber-chat-live-discover-youth-apprenticeships-52224?calendarMonth=2021-04-01

## FEDERAL FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR COVID-19 FUNERAL EXPENSES STARTING APR 12

FEMA will reimburse families for up to \$9,000 per funeral to cover expenses for those who have died from COVID-19 since the start of 2020. The application process opens April 12 when FEMA starts taking phone calls at 1-844-684-6333. For more information, visit: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/wuxr8naz">https://tinyurl.com/wuxr8naz</a> OR <a href="https://phaneuf.net/fema-funeral-reimbursement">https://phaneuf.net/fema-funeral-reimbursement</a>

SBA SHUTTERED VENUE OPERATORS GRANT PORTAL (SVOG) application portal opens for registrations. Shuttered Venue Operators Grant (SVOG) applications accepted starting Thursday, April 8, 2021. As the SBA builds and prepares to open the program, the dedicated <u>SBA website</u>, which includes <u>frequently asked questions</u>, <u>video tutorials</u> and other SVOG detail. Potential applicants should register in the federal government's System for Award Management (SAM.gov), as this is required for an entity to receive an SVOG, and reference the <u>preliminary application checklist</u> and <u>eligibility requirements</u>. For more information, click here.

https://www.sba.gov/sites/default/files/2021-04/4-6-21%20SVOG%20FAQ%20FINAL-508.pdf



**OUTDOOR DINING – MORE BARRIERS BEING PLACED THIS WEEK!** Permits have been issued to 29 restaurants, with more being approved each day. Be sure to check with your favorite restaurant about their plans.

### **BLUE RIBBON COMMITTEES**

To follow the work of the Mayor's Blue Ribbon Committees as they work on efforts to keep Portsmouth safe *and* vibrant, visit these pages for meeting information, recordings, minutes and support materials:

- Blue Ribbon Committee on Arts and <u>Nonprofits</u> (meets via Zoom Mondays at 12 noon). Join the Arts & Nonprofits mailing list here:
  - https://www.cityofportsmouth.com/city/brc-arts-nonprofits
- <u>Blue Ribbon Committee on Health</u> (meets via Zoom Tuesdays at 11 am)
- <u>Blue Ribbon Committee to Reopen</u>
  <u>Portsmouth 2021</u> (meets via Zoom
  Wednesdays at 2 pm)

## For DHHS VACCINE FAQs, click here:

https://tinyurl.com/tkvaksnw

PORTSMOUTH VACCINE FAQs from the Mayor's Blue Ribbon Committee on Health and City Health Department, click here.

https://www.cityofportsmouth.com/city-manager/vaccination-faqs

FAQs: "I Had COVID-19, Now What?" https://www.cityofportsmouth.com/health/after-covid-19-fags

STATEWIDE MASK MANDATE EXTENDED THROUGH APRIL 16, 2021.

https://tinyurl.com/mcsan2vd

GOVERNOR'S EMERGENCY ORDER EXTENDED THROUGH APRIL 16, 2021.

https://tinyurl.com/m3xzbxky

PORTSMOUTH MASK ORDINANCE THROUGH JUNE 30, 2021.

For answers to Portsmouth Mask Ordinance Frequently Asked Questions, click here.

https://tinyurl.com/yfc2b5xk

For Testing FAQs click here.

https://www.cityofportsmouth.com/city/testing-faqs

For Ventilation FAQs click here.

https://www.cityofportsmouth.com/city/ventilation-fags

For Daily Life During the Pandemic FAQs, click here. https://tinyurl.com/5h55s48k

For "I've Had COVID-19, Now What?" FAQs, click here.

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For more information, visit City's page on COVID-19:

https://www.cityofportsmouth.com/city/covid-19-information