



The City of

Medford

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October 10, 2023

Message from the Mayor



Hello Medford!

I can't believe fall is already here but we have a lot to be excited about as we enter this next season. Run Medford was a huge success this year, with about 500 people participating in Saturday's events alone. I hope everyone had as much fun as I did! We cut the ribbon on Hickey Park and are preparing to break ground on Carr Park Phase I. We're also working to improve infrastructure by investing in our sidewalks and conducting patchwork and crack sealing on our streets. We're also preparing for a number of October events, including COVID and flu vaccine clinics.

Here are a few of our September highlights:

- The City is investing nearly \$3 million in repairing and renovating sidewalks during the fall 2023 construction season, which will cover 8,800 feet of sidewalk by the end of this construction season.
- The City is also investing nearly \$500,000 in state and federal funding for an extensive patchworking project on 34 streets identified in the Pavement Assessment. These improvements will target areas like storm water drainage repairs, enhanced visibility and general maintenance.
- Phase I of Carr Park's nearly \$3 million renovation project breaks ground with a ceremony on Wednesday, October 11 at 3pm. Phase I will include an accessible path, reconstruction of two baseball diamonds, fully dedicated pickleball courts, and more. Hope to see you there!

If you have any questions, comments, or want to learn of ways you can get involved, please email me at mayor@medford-ma.gov.

Happy fall!

Run Medford

It was an incredible kickoff to Run Medford at Hormel Stadium as we dedicated the track to local track legend and Boston Marathon Race Director Dave McGillivray!

Such a great turnout and great to see so many kids, families and students participating in all the events, including the kids fun runs, para mile and high school mile.

Special shout out to my fellow runners in the Mayor's VIP/Celebrity Mile—Amesbury Mayor Cassandra Gove, Mayor Mike McCabe, City of Westfield, Josh Brogadir TV, Channel 7 meteorologist Steve Cooper, Boston Marathon, 1978 Boston Marathon winner Bill Rodgers, Medford Police Department Lt. Joseph Casey, Gary Leavitt, John Young, Troy Holt, Mark Donahue, Bob Hodge, Jack Fultz, Paul Veneto, Tim Dumas and Dave McGillivray!



Day 2 of [Run Medford](#) was also a huge hit! About 500 people participated in the 5 mile run and 2 mile walk.

Congratulations to all the winners! And a huge thank you to Dave McGillivray, his team at DMSE, Medford Police, Fire, DPW and Recreation for helping to organize. And of course, a very big thank you to everyone who volunteered during the events. You helped make both days a truly special experience for everyone involved.



Flu Vaccine Clinics

Registration for our fall flu vaccine clinics is open!

Senior flu vaccine clinics will be held on Friday, October 20 from 9am-12pm. The clinic is open to residents aged 60+. Preregistration is required, register here: <https://home.color.com/vaccine/register/medford?site=medford-senior-center>

There will also be a clinic at City Hall on November 8 from 4pm-7pm for residents

aged 3+. Register here:
<https://home.color.com/vaccine/register/medford?calendar=a71c70cb-b5ee-4b81-838c-4b6213b1d753&site=medford-city-hall>

A poster for 2023 Flu Shot Clinics. It features a large blue syringe icon on the left. The text reads: "2023 Flu Shot Clinics". Below this, it says "Seniors: October 4 & 20" and "Register here:" followed by a QR code. Further down, it says "Ages 3+: November 8" and "Register here:" followed by another QR code. The background is light blue with a white cross in a blue square in the top right corner and a red bandage in the bottom left corner.

2023
Flu Shot Clinics

Seniors: October 4 & 20
Register here: 

Ages 3+: November 8
Register here: 

Brazilian Independence Day Celebration

Such a wonderful celebration of culture and community at the Brazilian Independence Day event at the Andrews Middle School.

Huge thanks to our Board of Health, our community liaison Marileia Barroso and Medford Connector Samia Bennet from the Office of Prevention and Outreach for helping to organize!



Hickey Park Ribbon Cutting



We officially cut the ribbon on the latest updates to the tennis and basketball courts at Hickey Park and celebrated with a knock out tournament!

Huge thanks to our Planning, Development and Sustainability team, especially our planner Amanda Centrella, along with the team at Procurement, DPW and Finance for helping get this project done.

This renovation wouldn't have been possible without the funding and support from Preserve Medford, Chair of the CPA Committee Roberta Cameron and our CPA Manager Theresa Dupont!

Our next park project to get underway is Carr Park, which will be celebrated with a groundbreaking ceremony on October 11 at 3pm - hope to see you there!

Recent News

Administration Outlines Commercial and Residential Development Strategy for Medford



There are several development projects at various stages of construction poised to significantly boost the City's commercial tax base and increase housing and retail options for the community, Mayor Breanna Lungo-Koehn announced. These projects range in scale and offerings but are addressing several critical needs that the administration has been prioritizing for the past three years including increasing the City's housing supply, transforming its commercial corridors, activating waterfront acreage and enhancing transit-oriented development at Wellington Station.

"For the past three years, my administration has been heavily invested in identifying and engaging commercial and residential growth opportunities that previously went unnoticed," Mayor Breanna Lungo-Koehn said. "Now that we have a firm handle on the development options available to us and have developed a comprehensive growth strategy, we're seeing plans approved, permits delivered and shovels in the ground."

Learn more [here](#).

Medford Breaking Ground on Major Renovation Project at Carr

City Investing Nearly \$3 Million to Repair Sidewalks this Construction Season



The City of Medford is investing nearly \$3 million in repairing and renovating sidewalks during the fall 2023 construction season, Mayor Breanna Lungo-Koehn announced. With the ongoing Capital Improvement work happening throughout the City, including complete street projects in Haines Square and Riverside Avenue, the City's engineering and DPW teams have helped manage nearly \$8 million in infrastructure work this construction season. This amounts to 8,800 feet of sidewalk that will be repaired by the end of this construction season.

About one third of the total sidewalk funding, roughly \$800,000, is being used to address sidewalk issues logged by constituents in the City's See Click Fix platform that also coincide with sidewalk locations identified in the [2021 Sidewalk Assessment Report](#) that Mayor Lungo-Koehn commissioned in her first term. Crews from Cassidy Corporation have been out at various locations milling portions of sidewalks, pouring new concrete and establishing new accessible curb cuts on 37 streets this season. Work is tentatively scheduled to be concluded by December, weather permitting. You can find a list of these sidewalk locations on the City's [engineering webpage](#) under projects.

Park



The City of Medford will break ground on a nearly \$3 million renovation project at Carr Park on Wednesday, October 11, Mayor Breanna Lungo-Koehn announced. The City is commemorating this event with a groundbreaking ceremony at 3pm. All are welcome to join.

The Carr Park renovation project is split into two phases. The initial phase of construction is funded through a grant from the Massachusetts Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs' (EEA) Land and Water Conservation Fund Program (LWCF), American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA), Community Preservation Act (CPA), and linkage monies. Phase I of the project includes an accessible path that circles the entire park field, reconstruction of two baseball diamonds, a woodland area cleanup and invasive plant removal, fully dedicated pickleball courts, and more.

Read more [here](#).

Medford Invests Nearly \$500K for Street Patchwork Repair this Fall



Starting this week, the City will begin an extensive patchworking project on 34 streets identified in the Pavement Assessment in need of repairs, Mayor

Learn more [here](#).

City to Unveil Renovations at Hickey Park Courts with Ribbon Cutting Ceremony and Knockout Tournament



The City is officially unveiling the completed Hickey Park basketball and tennis court renovation project at a ribbon cutting ceremony on September 13 at 3pm, Mayor Breanna Lungo-Koehn announced. The ceremony will also include a knockout basketball tournament against the Mayor and City staff. The Hickey Park upgrades are funded by the Community Preservation Act (CPA), totaling about \$190K.

"Over the last three years we've made significant progress on improving access to facilities at our parks and open spaces but there's more to do," Mayor Lungo-Koehn said. "The courts at Hickey Park were in major need of a full rebuild and are now open for the public to enjoy. Thank you to our Department of Public Works for spearheading this project, as well as our Office of Planning, Development, and Sustainability and Procurement Office for working tirelessly throughout the construction and planning process to deliver an amazing community space."

Read more [here](#).

City to Host Public CAPER Hearing

On Monday, October 16 at 6:30pm, the City of Medford's Office of Planning, Development, and Sustainability will hold an online hearing to review the City's annual Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report

Breanna Lungo-Koehn announced. The City will leverage nearly \$500,000 in state and federal funding to address several critical areas of repair on the streets identified for patching, including storm water drainage improvements, enhanced visibility and general maintenance to improve mobility and safety.

“Based on the street and sidewalk assessment I initiated in 2021 we found out we have a backlog of over \$100 million in street repair work due to years of neglect,” Mayor Breanna Lungo-Koehn said. “By conducting cost-effective and efficient repairs like patchwork and crack sealing, we’re able to extend the life of many of our roads while implementing a longer-term repaving strategy for others. Thank you to the Engineering and DPW team for their work on this important infrastructure project.”

Read more [here](#).

(CAPER) for last year’s Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding. The City encourages all interested residents to attend the hearing and provide comments on the CAPER and the City’s future use of CDBG funds.

CDBG is one of the longest-running programs of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), and funds local community development activities with the goal of providing decent housing and a suitable living environment, and of expanding economic opportunities for low- and moderate-income persons. Last year the City received \$1,489,182 in CDBG funding. A majority of those funds were used for large projects, including street improvements to Pinkert, Prescott, Allston, and Cottage Streets; stump removal and tree planting throughout Medford; renovations at Logan Park and Morrison Park; and improvements to the Engine 3 and Engine 5 Fire Stations.

Learn more [here](#).

Medford Board of Health Announces Fall Flu Vaccine Clinics



The Medford Board of Health will hold three flu vaccine clinics throughout the fall in preparation for flu season, Mayor Breanna Lungo-Koehn announced. The clinics on October 4 and 20 will be for senior residents, ages 60 and up, and the clinic on November 8 will be for all residents ages three and up.

The senior flu clinics will be on Wednesday, October 4 from 1pm-4pm and Friday, October 20 from 9am-12pm at the Medford Senior Center (101 Riverside Ave). It will be open to anyone ages 60 and up. High dose and standard flu vaccines will both be available. Parking will be open in the public parking

Medford Residents Have Recycled 957 Pounds of Unwanted Clothing in August

Through its partnership with Helpsy, a textile recycling company, the city has been able to help residents recycle 957 pounds of unwanted clothing in August.

As the largest clothing collector in the Northeast, Helpsy partners with municipalities and organizations across 11 states to collect unwanted clothing and other textiles in order to keep clothes out of landfills. In 2021, the company diverted nearly 30 million pounds of textiles from landfills through a combination of clothing drives, home pickups, thrift store partners and clothing receptacles.

As part of its environmental mission, Helpsy now requires a three bag minimum for pickups. The company is optimizing routes in order to use resources as wisely as possible and reduce environmental impact.

Learn more about the Helpsy program [here](#).

lot located at 5 George P. Hassett Drive (across the street from the Senior Center). Follow the orange cones for special event parking.

Learn more [here](#).

More September Events

We closed out the Condon Shell Summer Concert Series at the Medford Farmer's Market with a performance by the Tim Gearan Band!

Thank you to all who organized and attended each of the 4 shows.



Please join me in wishing World War II veteran and lifelong Medford hero Al Cerullo a very happy 98th birthday!

During the war, Al served in the 82nd Airborne-325 Glider Infantry Regiment (G Company).

I had the privilege of spending some time with Al and his family for his birthday party at the American Legion and thanked him for his service to our country and his community!

Great getting a chance to chat with our residents at my mobile office hours this month!

A lot of great feedback and I'm glad I brought my notepad to follow up on a bunch of things. Thanks to CB Scoops for hosting!



Multicultural Needs Assessment

Take our Multicultural Needs Assessment Survey to help the Office of Prevention and Outreach understand opportunities and barriers that our community faces and better promote health equity. The survey is open now until October 31.

To take the survey, scan the QR code or visit [this link](#). Hard copies are also available at the Office of Prevention and Outreach in City Hall, Room 205.



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Multicultural Needs Assessment Survey

This needs assessment will help the City of Medford Office of Outreach and Prevention to understand the opportunities and barriers that can promote or harm the overall health and wellbeing of people who live or work in Medford.

Please take the survey by using the QR code. Your feedback is appreciated.

A hard copy of the survey is available in English, Spanish, Haitian Creole & Arabic at Medford City Hall, 85 George P. Hassett Drive, Office of Prevention and Outreach, Room 205.



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If you have any questions or need help filling out the survey, please contact Sophie Antoine at 781-228-8840 or santoine@medford-ma.gov



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Avaliação Multicultural das Necessidades de Saúde

Esta avaliação de necessidades ajudará o Escritório de Divulgação e Prevenção da Cidade de Medford a entender as oportunidades e barreiras que podem promover ou prejudicar a saúde geral e o bem-estar das pessoas que vivem ou trabalham em Medford.

Responda à pesquisa usando o código QR. Seu feedback é apreciado.

Uma cópia impressa da pesquisa está disponível em inglês, espanhol, crioulo haitiano e árabe na Prefeitura de Medford, 85 George P. Hassett Drive, Escritório de Prevenção e Extensão, Sala 205.



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Evaluación de necesidades de salud multicultural

Esta evaluación de necesidades ayudará a la Oficina de Alcance y Prevención de la Ciudad de Medford a comprender las oportunidades y las barreras que pueden promover o dañar la salud y el bienestar general de las personas que viven o trabajan en Medford.

Realice la encuesta utilizando el código QR. Se agradecen sus comentarios.

Una copia impresa de la encuesta está disponible en inglés, español, criollo haitiano y árabe en el Ayuntamiento de Medford, 85 George P. Hassett Drive, Oficina de Prevención y Alcance, Sala 205.



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Evalyasyon Bezwen relatif a Sante Miltikiltirèl

Evalyasyon bezwen sa yo pral ede Biwo Sensibilizasyon ak Prevansyon Vil Medford konprann opòtinite ak baryè ki kapab ankouraje oswa nan sante ak byennèt jeneral moun k ap viv oswa travay nan Medford.

Tanpri, itilize kòd sa a pou w ranpli sondaj la. Nou apresye repons yo.

Yon kopi sondaj la disponib nan lang An glè, Arab, Panyòl, e Kreyòl Ayisyen nan biwo Vil Medford
85 George P. Hassett Drive
Nan Biwo Prevansyon ak Kontak chanm 205.



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Si ou kèk kesyon epi ou bezwen ed pou jwenn yon Sondaj, tanpri kontakte Sophie Antoine nan 781-228-8840 oswa santoine@medford-ma.gov



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تقييم الاحتياجات الصحية متعددة الثقافات

سيساعد تقييم الاحتياجات هذا مكتب التوعية والوقاية في مدينة ميدفورد على فهم الفرص والحوائل التي يمكن أن تعزز أو تقصر بآلية الخدمة ورعاية الأشخاص الذين يعيشون أو يعملون في ميدفورد.

يرجى المشاركة في الاستبيان بالنقر فوق رمز الاستجابة السريعة. نحن نقدر ملاحظاتك.

نسخة ورقية من المسح متاح في اللغة الإنجليزية والإسبانية والكريول وهورنجوير في قاعة المدينة.

85 George P. Hassett Drive,
Office of Prevention and Outreach,
Room 205.



امسح هنا

إذا كنت لديك أي أسئلة أو تحتاج إلى مساعدة في ملء الاستبيان، يرجى الاتصال بمسؤولي التطوير على 781-228-8840 أو santoine@medford-ma.gov

Social Work Hours at the Library

If you or someone you know is struggling, there may be resources that can help! Alysia LaGambina, our Social Worker, holds office hours every Wednesday at the Medford Public Library in the Spinazzola Family Counseling & Study Room in the Adult section, from 10 am to 2 pm.

NEW!

Social Work Hours
at the Library

Connect with community services to support your family, such as help with food, utilities, housing, mental health, substance use and more.

Wednesdays
10 am to 2 pm

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Sign up here to receive Go Green Medford's periodic newsletter with updates on programs, events, and other news from the Office of Planning, Development, and Sustainability!



**CHARLOTTE & WILLIAM BLOOMBERG
MEDFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY**

Check out the **Medford Public Library's Newsletter!** The letter contains information on events, library hours, and more! The newsletter is available to view online and to sign up for here: medfordlibrary.org/newsletter/

Upcoming Events + Meetings

All events and meetings are listed on the City's [online events calendar](#). Meetings and event details are added frequently, so please check the calendar for updates.

EVENTS/HOLIDAYS

- **October 14:** Paint Shed Day
- **October 14:** Sarah Bradlee Fulton Day
- **October 14:** Harvest Your Energy Festival
- **October 20:** Senior Flu Vaccine Clinic
- **October 25:** Welcome Committee Meet and Greet

MEETINGS

October 10

- **5:00pm:** Traffic Commission Meeting
- **6:00pm:** Subcommittee on Ordinances and Rules Meeting

October 16

- **6:30pm:** CDBG Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) Hearing

October 17

- **7:00pm:** City Council Meeting

Job Opportunities

The City of Medford currently has several open job opportunities, and we encourage residents of all backgrounds to apply! Open positions, job descriptions, and materials are available at medfordma.org/jobs. The webpage is updated regularly, but current opportunities include:

Full-Time Positions:

- Director, Economic Development
- City Solicitor
- Assistant City Solicitor
- MEO III Motor Equipment Repairperson
- Registered Sanitarian
- Accounting Manager (Medford Public Schools)
- Crime Analyst (Police Department)
- Business Manager (Police Department)
- Senior Clerk (Elections)
- Supervisor of Water and Sewer
- Water Quality Control Coordinator

Other/Ongoing Positions:

- Traffic Supervisors

To apply, visit medfordma.org/for-residents/jobs, or contact the City's Office of Human Resources at 781-393-2406.

Medford city services are available to all residents, regardless of race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, religion, age, language ability, economic situation, or immigration status.

