



Quarterly Report of Community Issues and Programs

Station: WNEU

Period: April 1, 2020- June 30, 2020

Below is a list of some of the significant local issues, community events, and subsequent programs on WNEU for the 2nd quarter of 2020.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

April 1, 2020

Volunteers for the Medical Reserve- We did a story to explain what the medical reserve is and how you can become a volunteer.

April 6, 2020

MA Covid Fund- The Governor and First Lady Lauren Baker announced today the launch of the Massachusetts COVID-19 Relief Fund, which will help support essential frontline workers and vulnerable populations across the state, including Massachusetts residents and immigrants facing homelessness, food insecurity, and loss of critical services as a result of the COVID-19 public health crisis.

May 26, 2020

Hundreds of thousands of kids who rely on school meals are getting state funds in the amount of \$399 to pay for food during the time period school was cancelled.

PUBLIC SAFETY

April 6, 2020

Beaumont Rehabilitation and Skilled Nursing Center at Worcester is thankful for the clinical guidance and support of the UMass Memorial Healthcare system. We are managing this difficult time with the regulatory support of the Executive Office of Health and Human Services, as well as The Department of Public Health.

April 6, 2020

Boston Curfew- Boston's coronavirus-related curfew is being extended through May 18, along with the city's public health emergency, Mayor Marty Walsh said at a briefing on the city's response to the virus.

April 10, 2020

COVID Surge- Massachusetts Gov. Charlie Baker released updated information on when the coronavirus surge is expected to hit Massachusetts.

April 28, 2020

COVID Free testing- Cambridge Health Alliance announced that COVID-19 testing will be available to existing CHA patients and members of the community via a stand-alone testing center at the CHA Malden Care Center. Everett and Malden residents 8 years of age and older are welcome, regardless of insurance or immigration status.

May 4, 2020

Governor Gina M. Raimondo today provided more details on Phase 1 of the state's plan to reopen the economy.

May 6, 2020

A statewide face-covering order goes into effect in Massachusetts. Gov. Charlie Baker is mandating that all residents over the age of 2 use a face covering in all indoor public places, and outside when social distancing can't be properly maintained.

May 12, 2020

The Boston Police Department is cancelling the missing person's alert for 38-year-old Alenny Matos issued on February 11, 2020. Sadly, a body was recently located, on Saturday, May 9, 2020, in a wooded area in the area of the Enneking Parkway in Hyde Park.

May 14, 2020

The Salvation Army Lynn Corps canteen is responding to 3-alarm fire at 82 Burrill Ave. in Lynn. They are providing food, hydration, and emotional and spiritual care to first responders and those impacted.

May 21, 2020

Middlesex District Attorney Marian Ryan and Lowell Police Superintendent Kelly Richardson have confirmed that Tyriek Brown, 26, of Everett, the driver of the black Ford Mustang that struck and killed two pedestrians yesterday in Lowell, has been charged with motor vehicle homicide and manslaughter in connection with the crash.

June 1, 2020

Mayor Walsh, Commissioner Gross and DA Rollins hold joint press conference following violent night in Boston. In total, there were 53 arrests and 1 summons overnight due to the protest. The charges were a mix of breaking & entering/larceny/assault. The most severe was for a man accused of firing shots.

June 9, 2020

Families for Justice as Healing is holding a press conference to urge Boston City Councilors and Mayor Marty Walsh to cut the Boston Police Department budget and invest funding into Black and Brown communities.

June 9, 2020

The Brockton Police were searching for an eight-year-old girl reported missing since the night before. Her family believes she walked out of their residential apartment.

June 10

The statue of Christopher Columbus has been removed from the Boston park bearing his name. The statue was vandalized with its head removed.

June 15, 2020

At least four shots were fired in the area of Mystic Avenue. The Somerville Police Department believes a female gunshot victim transported to an area hospital with non-life-threatening injuries is a victim of this incident. Police continue to investigate.

June 17, 2020

A well-known Braintree nurse was shot and killed in the entryway of her Howie Road home this morning and a former neighbor has been taken into custody, Norfolk District Attorney Michael W. Morrissey and Braintree Police Chief Mark Dubois announced.

June 23, 2020

A police sergeant was stabbed in the back in the lobby of the Public Safety Building at about 9:50 p.m. last night, according to Worcester County District Attorney Joseph D. Early Jr.

June 24, 2020

Middlesex District Attorney Marian Ryan and Lowell Police Superintendent Kelly Richardson have confirmed the investigation into a fatal shooting that occurred at approximately 3:33 p.m. outside a residence on Coral Street in Lowell.

June 26, 2020

Randolph Police Department Investigating After Teens Crash Stolen Vehicle into Church.

June 30, 2020

Massachusetts State Troopers assigned to State Police-Revere are investigating a hit-and-run crash on the Lynnway that resulted in life-threatening injuries to a pedestrian.

HEALTH AND WELLNESS

April 1, 2020

Coronavirus- DCU Center in Worcester to become makeshift hospital with 250 beds. They hope to get the bulk of the work done by Friday. The least sick of the covid-19 patients will be housed here.

April 10

We explain how to obtain health insurance if you are unemployed or without an immigration status.

May 1, 2020

Remdesivir- The medicine was approved by the FDA for emergency treatments. We evaluate preliminary results of local study.

May 5, 2020

Stress during COVID- Measures to avoid catching us, such as social distancing and the fact that many people have lost their jobs, among other things, have created a lot of anxiety and stress. Consumer Reports advises you on what to do to be calmer and more optimistic during these difficult times.

June 2, 2020

Free medicines for unemployed- For many people, losing a job also means losing health insurance. And if you need prescription drugs, they can be very expensive. Consumer Reports explains how you can get medicines at affordable prices, even free, without health insurance.

VIEWER ADVOCACY

April 3, 2020

Stimulus Check- We explain how this money will reach our pockets and who qualify.

April 9, 2020

Comcast Free Internet Service- We explain how the program works.

April 27, 2020

Consumer Alert- We warn of work-at-home scams in the wake of the pandemic.

May 18, 2020

Responde- A container with hundreds of boxes destined for the Dominican Republic was confiscated from customs ... leaving many with the uncertainty of when their shipments would arrive.

June 1st, 2020

Responde Amazon Order Refund- A viewer in East Boston nearly lost thousands of dollars on an accidental purchase by Amazon.

June 8, 2020

Responde- Boston TV viewer was in debt with a personal loan to renovate her home. The loan was requested by a contractor who never finished the job. Find out how we could help.

June 22, 2020

Responde Samsung Kitchen- A viewer from Methuen claims her right to a warranty on her stove months after purchasing it. Find out how we could help you.

June 29, 2020

Responde Avis/Uber Car Rental- A Lowell viewer almost lost hundreds of dollars when a car he rented to work as an Uber driver broke down.