



# TOWN OF CONCORD

*Office of the Town Manager*

## Operational Status Reports and Departmental Updates For the week ending November 3, 2023

### Police Department

#### **Activity Log:**

- Log items: 610
- Traffic enforcements: 35
- Motor vehicle stops: 35.
- Motor vehicle crashes and/or paper exchanges: 19
- Arrests: 2

#### **Community:**

- Officers Femino and Maddaleni attended the Thoreau Street Business District Trick or Treating event and handed out candy to trick-or-treaters.
- Lieutenant Goldman attended the candlelight vigil for victims of domestic violence in Lincoln. The vigil was organized by our partners at the Domestic Violence Services Network (DVSN) to remember those who have lost their lives due to domestic violence.
- Lieutenant Goldman and traffic officers assisted with traffic and pedestrian safety for the Sleepy Hollow 5K road race.
- Detective Rodriguez assisted with the DEA National Drug take back day held at CPD.
- Detective Paladino and Officer Lopez attended the Trunk-or-Treat event at the Beede Center, with the Concord Fire Department.
- Detective Rodriguez attended Firearms Legal update training.
- Lieutenant Goldman, Detective Harrington, Detective Bordenca and Officer McGonagle assisted Detective Paladino with her presentation/ALICE drill to The FENN School.
- Lieutenant Monahan attended a (3) day advanced crime scene investigation training.
- Lieutenant Landers attended a security luncheon at The Lincoln Labs in Lexington with area Police and Fire administrators.

### Planning

At long last, the West Concord Train Depot is being pressure washed, scraped and painted! Before retiring, the DPLM Director Marcia Rasmussen connected with the right people at the MBTA to get this project on the radar to happen before the Town's 250<sup>th</sup> Celebration. The MBTA said that they could possibly get the crews to do the work, if the Town supplied the paint, which was done in 2009 the last time the Depot was painted. Two weeks ago, Town Planner Elizabeth Hughes connected with the MBTA contact to once again gets this project rolling and was told that if the Town was still able to provide the paint, crews with the MBTA could come out in the next week to get the job done. No way were we going to pass up this opportunity up! With the help from Senior Planner Ann Clifford, the paint colors were matched, the paint ordered and the job in underway. This project should take a few weeks (or less if we keep getting nice weather) and the Club Car Café is open during painting!!



**MBTA Communities Zoning** – At the Planning Board meeting October 24<sup>th</sup>, the Board reviewed the first draft map for the MBTA Communities Overlay. The map shows 5 areas to potentially include in the district. The map has been posted to the MBTA Communities webpage: [www.concordma.gov\mbtacomunities](http://www.concordma.gov\mbtacomunities) Additionally, the proposed overlay district areas have been added to the Town’s WebGIS so that people can review each district and get parcel specific information. Three additional MBTA Communities Connections hours have been set up

to allow people to come ask the Town Planner questions in an informal setting:

November 9<sup>th</sup> at 7 a.m. – Club Care Café – 20 Commonwealth Ave.

November 14<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m. – Zoom (check the MBTA Communities webpage for Zoom link)

November 20<sup>th</sup> at 11 a.m. – Dunkin’ – 117 Thoreau St.

## HUMAN SERVICES

During the month of October, Bonny Wilbur, Community Services Coordinator, attended the MA Law Reform Institute’s Advocacy Training, *Assisting Families Experiencing Homelessness*. Bonny also attended the workshop, *The Housing Crisis and Migrants in MA*, and she took part in a meeting sponsored by the Municipal Immigration Support Network which hosted a speaker from the *MA Immigrant and Refugee Advocacy Coalition*.

Each program focused on the recent changes to the Emergency Assistance Shelter and Benefits system enacted by the Governor, now that the state has reached capacity of 7,500 homeless families being housed across the Commonwealth. Approximately 30 – 40 homeless families enter a shelter each day, while only 10 – 20 families move on to long-term housing. These numbers are not sustainable, and at the current rate, the Governor foresees approximately 13,000 homeless families in need of shelter by next summer. Concord is lucky to benefit from the assistance of the agency Making Opportunity Count, which supports the families living at the Best Western shelter. Many cities and towns across the state have had shelters open with no agencies assigned to support the families.

## COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic

A COVID-19 vaccine clinic for residents 60+ years of age is scheduled for November 14, 2023 from 10 AM – Noon at the Harvey Wheeler Center, 1276 Main Street. Call to sign up at 978-38-3020. Residents 60+ with last names beginning with A-L are encouraged to arrive between 10-11 AM, those with last names beginning with M-Z should arrive between 11 AM – Noon.

**ATTN: CONCORD RESIDENTS 60+ YEARS OF AGE**

**TUES NOV 14 2023**

**COVID-19 VACCINE CLINIC**

\*Only updated Moderna available

Please bring your insurance cards or copies thereof.

**Call to sign up: 978-318-3020**

**10 AM - 12 PM COUNCIL ON AGING**

1276 Main St  
Concord, MA 01742

We encourage you to arrive between 10-11am, if your last name begins with A-L; 11-12pm if M-Z.