

WORD ON THE COMMON STREET

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DEVELOPMENTS SHAPING OUR TOWN

New Police Satellite Office

The SPD and Superintendent of Schools have collaborated to create a satellite office for the Southborough Police Department at Mary E. Finn School. The office inside Finn School will provide a regular Police presence in Finn School, which is (geographically) the furthest school from the Police Department. Officers assigned to patrol the south side of town will now have an office area where they can stop in and complete administrative work (report writing)- without having to return to the police station on the other side of town. This satellite office will be for report writing only; no evidence, suspects, weapons, etc. will be brought in or out of the school. After meeting with the School Committee, the Police Dept were given the approval to move forward working with Superintendent Martineau, Finn Principal Ryan and IT Director Jason Montijo. We are happy to strengthen this partnership to better the community and schools!



Pic of Finn logo & SPD Badge, Southborough '23

Save the Date - Select Board Office Hours



Picture of Select Board, Southborough 2023
Select Board Office Hours is a time for residents to meet with your elected officials to ask questions, share concerns or make suggestions.. These conversations in a non-public forum are informal and do not require registration. Office Hours are held in the McAuliffe Hearing Room at the Town House. The next session is October 17th from 6-7PM with Sam Stivers and Al Hamilton. For the schedule, click here:
<https://shorturl.at/bosU2>

Heritage Day Parade - October 9

Heritage Day kicks off Monday, October 9th with a parade. It begins at 10AM at St. Anne's Church and ends at St. Mark's Field on Main Street. Stay to visit local vendors, meet with town volunteers & departments, enjoy yummy food trucks and let the kids play on bounce houses! And you won't want to miss the Knights of Columbus annual soccer shoot out!

Project Updates

The curbing and sidewalks are complete on St. Mark's Street and paving of the road is expected to begin in the next two weeks. Completion of Parkerville Road should be complete on the week of 10/2. Thank you for your continued patience.

Access to the Town House with St. Mark's construction and its own construction is limited but available. Please enter and exit the Town House parking lot from the back of Pilgrim Church. The Town House is open during normal business hours during all construction.

Grants Awarded

Northboro/Southboro Awarded \$625,000 Federal Drug-Free Communities Grant

The towns of Northborough and Southborough are pleased to announce that Encompass, a community coalition serving the residents of Northborough and Southborough, was awarded a \$625,000 grant from the Drug-Free Communities Support Program.

Green Communities Grant

Following the Town's Green Communities Competitive Grant application, the town has received \$10,000 for gasoline for our hybrid cruisers and \$47,042 for the installation of LED lighting at Trotter. Thank you to those employees who worked on the application and all the behind the scenes work to secure these funds!

Tercentennial Trivia!

Thank you to Pauline L. for answering last weeks' trivia question! The 2023 movie "The Holdovers" was filmed at St. Mark's School in Southborough. Today's question: **What animal has its origins in Southborough?** Send your answers to Katie at kbarry@southboroughma.com to be revealed in the next issue!



Mark Purple 2023

Recruitment Corner



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The Town of Southborough has many incredible job opportunities open for driven and enthusiastic candidates! We've highlighted a few below. **Please review and apply here:** <https://shorturl.at/kIJZ4>

Benefits include 75% of health insurance paid by the Town, tuition reimbursement, 14 paid holidays and more!

- Maintenance Tech (Facilities):
- PT Local Building Inspector

Employee News

Congratulations to **Heath Widdiss** on his retirement from the Police Department after 32 years! He will end his career as a Sergeant and we thank him for his many years of valuable service to the Southborough Police Department and this Community.

We also send huge well wishes to our Payroll and Benefits Coordinator, **Kristen Pasacane**. After seven incredible years serving the town, she has found a new role to grow her skills even more. Congratulations, and thank you for all your dedicated work, Kristen!



Picture of town employees, Southborough '23

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