

April 2020



TOWN OF NANTUCKET HUMAN RESOURCES

Town and County Offices
remain closed until **May 4th**
to public and non-essential staff.

QUICK LINKS:

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The Boston Marathon is the most significant celebration of Patriot's Day to mark the Athenian and American struggles for liberty. Due to the Coronavirus pandemic the 2020 Boston Marathon will be rescheduled to September 14, 2020.



COVID-19 Updates:

[Nantucket Cottage Hospital updates](#)
[Town of Nantucket updates / Town FAQs](#)
[Massachusetts Department of Public Health](#)
[Office of Massachusetts Governor](#)
[Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#)



Did you submit your artwork? 2020 VIRTUAL EMPLOYEE ART SHOW, April 24th

If you are interested, please email [Janet Schulte](mailto:jschulte@nantucket-ma.gov) before April 21, 2020.

Please include your name, department and artwork title.

Good luck!

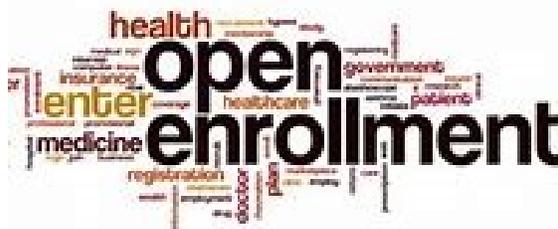


Did you visit our new Benefits Fair webpage? Click [HERE](#).

Enrollment period May 1 - 31, 2020.

During this time, you can enroll or make changes - increase, decrease, or cancel your health, dental, life and disability insurance plans as well as making an election changes to your 457 deferred compensation plans and flexible spending accounts.

Reminder: Your flexible spending accounts need to be renewed each year during Benefit choice to continue participating. Please complete a new enrollment form [HERE](#).



COVID-9 Information and Resources for Employees and Businesses:

Unemployment & Other Employee Resource

- **UPDATE: [Massachusetts Department of Unemployment Assistance Announces Guidance On CARES Act Implementation](#)**
- **[Mass Dep. of Unemployment Assistance \(DUA\)](#)**
- **[Fogged In Bookkeeping - Unemployment Highlights in a Time of Coronavirus](#)**
- **USA GOV - [Unemployment Help](#): Learn how to apply for unemployment benefits, workers' compensation, welfare or temporary assistance, and other programs and services.**
- **[MassHire Cape & Islands Career Center will continue to serve customers by phone and/or email](#)**

For all Businesses:

- **[The SBA and the CARES Act provides relief to business through the Paycheck Protection Program, the EIDL loan and advance, Employee Retention Tax Credit, SBA Express Bridge Loans, SBA Debt Relief Program](#)**
- **[The SBA Coronavirus Relief Options](#)**
- **[View the Updated SBA Information Fact Sheet \(as of 4/6/20\) created by The Nantucket Chamber](#)**

- [Watch The Chamber's new show with NCTV: Small Biz Updates \(with Live Q&A\)](#)
- [Watch the weekly Town Hall with the U.S. Chamber of Commerce every Friday at noon](#)
- **Tax Relief for Businesses:** The Department of Revenue announced that it will waive any late-file or late-pay penalties for returns and payment due for meals and room occupancy taxes between March 20 and May 31, 2020.
- [IRS Payment Deadline Extended to July 15, 2020 & State Income Tax Filing Deadline Extended to July 15](#)
- [Real and Personal Property Tax Deadline Extension to June 30, 2020](#)
- [CARES ACT COVID-19 RELIEF OPTIONS; EIDL, FFML, PPPL, Unemployment-How Do They Stack Up by Fogged In Bookkeeping](#)
- **Renegotiate Rent:** potentially start talking with your landlord about how you both can work together to weather an economic recession. It's in their best interest to lower your rent and allow your business to survive through a down time so that you can thrive during more positive economic conditions. [View slide deck by Graffio SP on best practices for talking to your landlord about COVID-19 impacts on your business.](#)
- **Small businesses impacted by COVID-19** may also apply for loans through Kiva, a non-profit micro-lending organization. Kiva is offering loans with 0% interest to for up to \$15,000. [Click here to apply.](#)

For more information please visit

**Town of Nantucket
Chamber of Commerce**



IRS is launching new web tool "Get My Payment" to track COVID-19 stimulus checks

To check on the status of your Economic Impact Payment, click [HERE](#).

[Eligibility information](#)

Blue Cross Blue Shield Access to Care

COVID-19 Helpline (888-372-1970)
24/7 Nurse Hotline (888-247-2583)
Educational Line (888-772-5208)
Telehealth (800-262-2583)
Personal plans (800-588-5508)
 or [sign up HERE](#)

[COVID-19 FAQ | TELEHEALTH](#)



2020 Step challenge underway

Congratulations to our active members!

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For any questions please contact
[Teodora](#) or [Michelle](#) .

Stay active! Keep walking!



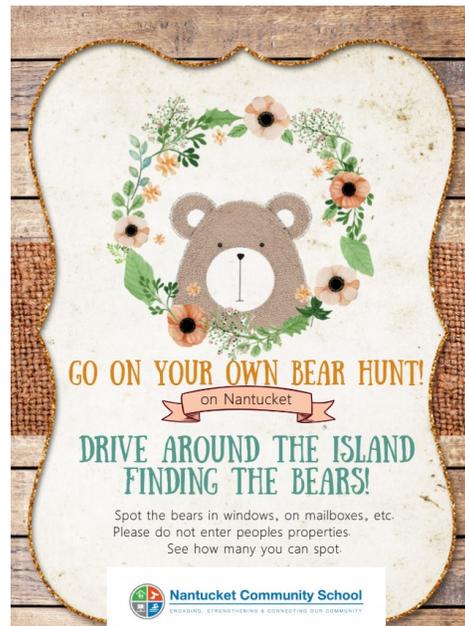
Ready for a Bear hunt?

Nantucket Community School is helping children bear up.

If you are going outside to get some fresh air this weekend, help your kids find 20 or more teddy bears around the island. Residents have put cloth bears in windows where you and your children can spot them.

Visit the [Community School Facebook page](#) for the most updated list of bears.

Have fun and share photos of you on your bear hunt with us!



Senior Meal Delivery EXTENDED

Request a meal be delivered to your home at no cost:

- you have to be over 60 years of age and not already receiving Meals on Wheels
- you have to call between 9 am and noon, Monday through Friday

Call the **SALTMARSH** at 508-228-4490

[WATCH AND LEARN MORE ABOUT THE PROGRAM](#)

Thank you **Sandbar and Or, The Whale** restaurants for supporting our community's most affected citizens during these uncertain times.



More help for Residents:

[FOOD RESOURCES](#)
[HEALTH RESOURCES](#)



Access Library services from Home

Nantucket Atheneum offers 24/7 digital services. You can download e-books and audio books, checkout digital magazines, and stream TV and movies. All you need is your library card number and PIN.

Click here to **discover more** [HERE](#).

2020 US CENSUS: WE ALL COUNT FOR NANTUCKET!

IT'S SAFE: Title 13 of the U.S. Code protects your individual data.

IT'S QUICK & EASY: Respond to the US Census online with your phone, tablet, or computer.

WHAT'S AT STAKE FOR OUR COMMUNITY: When everyone gets counted, everyone benefits!

**STAND UP AND BE COUNTED FOR
OUR SCHOOLS, HEALTH CARE, HOUSING, FOOD ASSISTANCE, SENIOR SERVICES, AND MORE!**

WHILE YOU'RE SOCIAL DISTANCING, TAKE THE CENSUS FROM THE COMFORT OF HOME!

1. Use your smartphone, tablet or computer to visit 2020census.gov. Click on "Take the Census" and then choose your language to answer 10 basic questions.
2. You can also respond by phone in many languages by calling a dedicated line. Find yours [HERE](#).
3. When you receive your paper form, you can complete it and send it in by mail, too.

Your Virtual Wellness center with Harvard Pilgrim Health Care

- Free Fitness classes
- Guided Mindfulness live sessions
- Health and Wellness webinars

Harvard Pilgrim Health Care's well-being programs help you gain a healthier mindset, lower stress and anxiety levels, and learn how to approach life in this uncertain time.

Learn more about these programs [HERE](#).



Explore ways to creatively connect with *Stuck at Home (Together) Project*

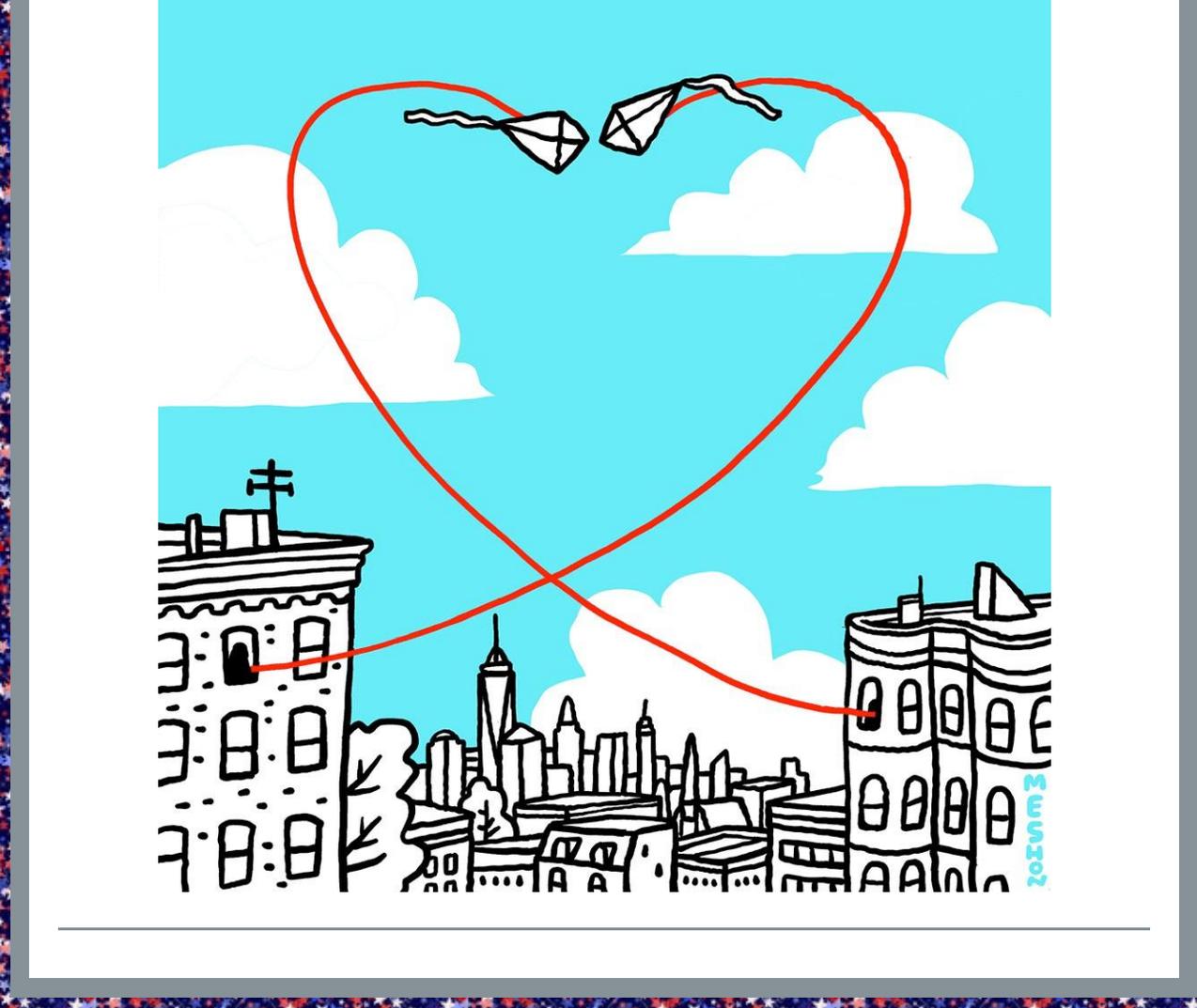
- Mindfulness activities to promote calm reflection
- Creative challenges for you and your family, friends, and colleagues
- Opportunities to share your creative work
- Inspiring stories from around the web

Stuck at Home (Together) provides resources and tools to encourage creative expression and enable social connection. Enjoy the many ways you can de-stress and form bonds even as we physically distance ourselves

Learn more about this project [HERE](#).



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