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To best serve the unique interests and needs of member businesses and to champion the broader economic vitality of the Metro South region.

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New Faces, Business Resources, and Holiday Networking! Bring a Friend!

Tuesday, December 13 | 11:45 am - 1:30 pm | Thorny Lea Golf Club | 159 Torrey Street, Brockton



Please join us on **Tuesday, December 13th** for a Holiday Themed Good Day Metro South luncheon featuring new faces, new networking, and so much fun! Bring a friend!

This event will be hosted at Thorny Lea Golf Club from 11:45 AM – 1:30 PM. We are excited to announce our guest speakers panel will feature new faces - Christine Santoro, The Children's Museum Easton; Erin McGough Rowe,

Fuller Craft Museum; and Glenn Parsons, SCU Credit Union. Also enjoy a holiday networking segment with Rob DiFazio from Mayflower BSA and RPE.

Also featured during this event is an introduction to the new Small Business Toolkit launched by the Office of the State Treasurer & Receiver General. This new website includes information on how to plan, fund, and grow your business, as well as a first of its kind resource map with a directory of over 1,000 business development resource contacts! Visit smallbusinessma.org to explore further.

Questions? Contact Cathryn Schofield at CSchofield@metrosouthchamber.com or call (508) 586-0500 x 231 for assistance. This event is sponsored by Cambridge Savings Bank. *Learn more on page 2.*

Sold Out Annual Meeting featured Life is Good, Steve Gross & Look Ahead



Annual Meeting Speaker - Steve Gross, Life is Good Playmaker Project

More than four hundred people attended the Chamber's 109th Annual Meeting featuring awards, a sold-out business expo, a new brand for Brockton, Steve Gross (a Life is Good founder) and a look ahead with new Chamber Chairman, Rich Hynes. "We are delighted Rich Hynes has been elected to chair the Chamber this year. His lengthy commitment to the Chamber and community provides great perspective as we look forward to the year ahead", said Chris Cooney.

is Good Playmaker Project “After many years with no increase of MSCC dues, members will notice an increase in base dues that is slightly less than the requested 10% voluntary contribution added to invoices more than a decade ago. In recognition of uncertain times, we anticipate members understand the need for such an adjustment and request the investment only from those who deem it feasible. Thank you for your consideration and I am happy to discuss arrangements otherwise”, Cooney went on to say.

See more from the 109th Annual Meeting & B2B Expo, starting on page 6.

**5,100 new jobs and
\$1.6B in business output
– a little sewerage could
go a long way.**



A little sewerage could go a long way – more than 5,100 new jobs and 1.6 billion dollars in business output according to a recent study on additional sewerage capacity in business districts adjacent to Brockton. Many new jobs likely filled by Brockton residents, with regional economy reaping benefits. The Chamber commissioned Dan Hodge, Cambridge Econometrics to prepare a sewer infrastructure study exploring capacity, use, and potential development opportunities in Avon, Easton, East Bridgewater and West Bridgewater, while identifying regional economic impact. Visit metrosouthchamber.com/2022/11/a-little-sewerage-could-go-a-long-way/ to read the full study and view the slides.

New City Brand!
"Where Better Begins"



Read more on page 2!

New Faces & State Treasurer's New Small Biz Resource Site

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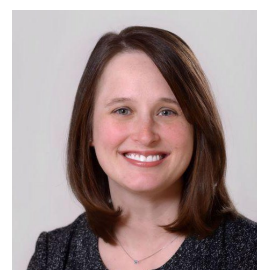
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About the Panelists: Erin McGough has been a museum professional for 23 years. She is the Executive Director of Fuller Craft Museum, having joined the organization in January 2022. Prior to that, she spent 8 years as Executive Director for Duxbury Rural & Historical Society, with past positions at the New Bedford Whaling Museum and the Concord Museum. Her professional background is as a museum collections manager, responsible for the care and exhibition of museum collections. Erin sits on several boards, including the Massachusetts History Alliance (MHA), and has been a peer reviewer in organizational and collections management assessments for American Alliance of Museums (AAM) since 2009. Duxbury's project to revitalize the Bradford House Museum, spearheaded by Erin, won an institutional Leadership in History award in 2018 from the American Association for State and Local History (AASLH). In 2021, Erin won an Excellence Award from the New England Museum Association (NEMA). Erin has a Master's Degree in Art History & Museum Studies from Tufts University and a Certificate in Professional Fundraising from Boston University. She obtained her bachelor's degree in Art History from the College of William and Mary. Erin lives in Middleborough, Massachusetts with her husband who is a high school teacher in Rockland, and her two elementary-aged children. To learn more, visit fullercraft.org/fuller-craft-museum-announces-new-executive-director-erin-mcgough/.



Erin McGough Rowe, Executive Director, Fuller Craft Museum



The Children's Museum in Easton is a non-profit organization founded in 1991 on the principle that play and hands-on learning is critically important to successful child development. Since then, research has demonstrated time and again that play is directly linked to the development of physical, cognitive and emotional strengths and even more, to higher-level skills such as critical thinking, communication, problem-solving and collaboration - all of which are connected to academic and professional achievement. With childhood becoming increasingly digital, sedentary and, in some cases isolated, we believe early and continued access to social, hands-on play is more important than ever. As a result, we have doubled-down on our commitment to kids and parents and play. Play is more than fun, it is a child's job! Learn more at www.cmeaston.org.



Glenn Parsons, SCU Credit Union President / CEO

Glenn Parsons has over 20 years of executive leadership experience across multiple disciplines, which will be an asset in his new position. He brings expertise in the fields of technology software and network security. He is highly skilled in communications, business development and strategic negotiations. Parsons earned his B.A. from Harvard University and M.B.A from Northeastern University. He is also an Adjunct Professor of Business at Lasell University. Visit scucu.com to learn more.

Register for this event online at metrosouthchamber.com/event/good-day-metro-south-121322/

Brockton: Where Better Begins



Members from all corners of the Brockton community gathered last month for the premier of the new city brand and video, "Where Better Begins". The video, created by CTP - a Boston-based marketing agency met with the Metro South Chamber, City of Brockton, and various members of the business community to determine how to best showcase

people, places, and businesses that make Brockton such a unique place to live, work, and play.

The video was premiered at Massasoit Community College in Brockton, and featured area businesses, attractions, and community staples including Brockton Beer Company, Brockton Rox, Campanelli Stadium, Montilio's Bakery, Barbour Corporation, Concord Foods, Brockton Neighborhood Health



Mayor of Brockton, Bob Sullivan



Grant Pace, CTP



Brockton cake by Montilio's Bakery.



Sydné Marrow, Chief of Staff, Mayor Sullivan's Office

Craft Museum, Massasoit Community College, and more.

Visit metrosouthchamber.com/2022/11/brockton-where-better-begins to learn more, view photos, and utilize a social media toolkit.



Premier of the video "Brockton: Where Better Begins"

Congratulations Governor-Elect, Maura Healey!



Congratulations to Governor-elect Maura Healey who we were honored to host as a speaker for the Athena Awards program, honoring women in leadership. Pictured here Chamber CEO, Chris Cooney with Governor-elect Maura Healey autographing basketballs the chamber donated to charity.

Chris Cooney, Metro South Chamber President & CEO with Maura Healey, MA Governor-elect.

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CHAMBER Calendar

Networking at events is one of the most effective ways to grow your business!

December

07	Ambassador Meeting <i>Online meeting held via Zoom</i>	9:00 am
13	Good Day Metro South <i>Thorny Lea Golf Club, 159 Torrey Street, Brockton</i>	11:45 am
13	Executive Board Meeting <i>Online meeting held via Zoom</i>	3:00 pm
15	Apply for Diversity Certification as a Massachusetts-based Business <i>Online workshop, MA Supplier Diversity Office</i>	10:00 am
21	Board Meeting <i>Online meeting held via Zoom</i>	12:30 pm
26	Christmas Day Observed: Chamber Closed	

January

02	New Year's Day Observed: Chamber Closed	
04	Ambassador Meeting <i>Online meeting held via Zoom</i>	9:00 am

The Ambassador Team meets on a monthly basis to serve fellow members by providing information, resources, member-to-member support, increasing awareness and promoting active participation in Chamber programs and services. To learn more, please email Cathryn at CSchofield@metrosouthchamber.com.





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The Metro South Chamber of Commerce builds strong businesses and communities by connecting you to new customers and suppliers, as well as to those who influence the local economy and quality of life.

Access to the right tools. One more way the Chamber makes an impact.

To join the chamber call 508.586.0500 or visit www.metroouthchamber.com

Note: All meetings are held at the Metro South Chamber Office (via Zoom) or Metro South Business Assistance Center (BAC), Sixty School Street, Brockton unless otherwise indicated.

UP-TO-DATE News



MassDevelopment Monthly Office Hours at the Chamber with Jay Pateakos

Jay Pateakos, Vice President of Business Development for the South Region of MassDevelopment will host a series of virtual office hours through the Metro South Chamber of Commerce.

Pateakos will be available to provide information and answer questions about how the organization can help businesses, financial institutions, and municipalities in southeastern Massachusetts.

For more information, email Jay at jpateakos@massdevelopment.com or call (508) 678-0533 x 1201.

Exclusive Staples Discounts for Chamber Members
Members of the Metro South Chamber of Commerce have access to special partner discounts, 10% off in-store regularly priced purchases and 20% off Printing and Marketing Services, every time they shop in store. They can save on an assortment

Members - send Good News to
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of products, from signage, to PPE, to business essentials, and more! Visit www.metroouthchamber.com/membership/savings/ to learn more.

Holiday Pops Concert - Brockton Symphony Orchestra 12/18



Celebrate the holidays together with your family and friends. Philip Sanborn has chosen your festive seasonal favorites along with exciting soloists, sing-alongs, and fun surprises. This year features Marcus Monteiro, alto saxophone; the Jubilate Chorus; Brockton's Plouffe Chorus; and Brockton's own Willie A. Wilson, Jr., reading the story 'Twas the Night Before Christmas. Visit www.brocktonsymphony.org

Fuller Craft Museum presents Riotous Threads: Fiber Works from Gateway Arts Opens 12/24

This vibrant exhibition features works made with fiber by artists from Gateway Arts, an internationally acclaimed studio art center, gallery, and store that supports meaningful lives and careers in art for adults with disabilities. Located in Brookline, MA, Gateway Arts has nurtured the creative talents of artists with diverse diagnoses, strengths, and needs for nearly 50 years. Riotous Threads features a range of fiber creations, from lush embroidery and colorful felt forms to found object sculptures and intricate weavings. Each object on view is a spirited celebration of the artist's creative accomplishments and the transformative potential of the stitch. The exhibition also underscores the importance of organizations like Gateway Arts to the health and vitality of our communities. (Current Exhibitions Featured Image: Donna Esolen, Untitled, 2021, embroidery floss on printed fabric.) Visit fullercraft.org to learn more. Fuller Craft Museum is located at 455



Oak Street in Brockton.

MSBDC Calendar - Online Training
Visit msbdc.org/training to register

- 12/7: Federal Marketing & Outreach
- 12/7: Writing a Business Plan Part 5 - Management and Personnel
- 12/8: If You Received Funding From The Federal Government During COVID, Don't Miss This Webinar!
- 12/13: Capabilities Statements - Best of Both Worlds (Part 1 - also Dec. 20)
- 12/13: Commonwealth of MA (State) Government Contracting
- 12/14: Writing a Business Plan Part 6 - Financial Information
- 12/14: If You Received Funding From The Federal Government During COVID, Don't Miss This Webinar!
- 12/15: Basics of Starting Your Business
- 12/20: Capabilities Statements - Best of Both Worlds (Part 2)
- 1/19: Canva 101
- 1/26: Pre-Expo Workshops
- 1/27: Export Expo

Apply for Diversity Certification as a Massachusetts-based Business 12/15

The Supplier Diversity Office certifies companies as Massachusetts Minority Business Enterprises (MBE), Women Business Enterprises (WBE), Veteran Business Enterprises (VBE), and Portuguese Business Enterprises (PBE). Eligible businesses attend a two-hour pre-certification workshop before applying for certification. Visit metrosouthchamber.com/events

Health Care Matters

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Steward Health Care's Good Samaritan Medical Center Earns Highest "A" Rating on the Fall 2022 Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade

Good Samaritan Medical Center earned an "A" rating for achieving the highest national standards in patient safety from the Leapfrog Group's the Fall 2022 Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grades. The designation recognizes Good Samaritan's

steadfast commitment to patient safety, even under the extraordinary circumstances of the COVID-19 pandemic.

"Patient safety is the highest priority for our physicians, nurses, and staff at Good Samaritan. Every member of our team collaborates closely to ensure that all safety measures are met for every patient," said Matthew Hesketh, President of Good Samaritan Medical Center. "Our staff should be proud to know that their exceptional work and constant focus on safety has earned us this national distinction. It is a privilege to care for the Greater Brockton community and we will continue

to work tirelessly to ensure they have access to the highest quality healthcare possible."

Good Samaritan was one of six Steward hospitals in Massachusetts recognized with the top mark, including Holy Family Hospital - Haverhill, Holy Family Hospital - Methuen, Morton Hospital, Nashoba Valley Medical Center, and Saint Anne's Hospital.

The Leapfrog Group is an independent national watchdog organization with a 10-year history of assigning letter grades to general hospitals throughout the United States, based on a hospital's ability to prevent medical errors and harm to

patients. The grading system is peer-reviewed, fully transparent, and free to the public. Hospital Safety Grade results are based on more than 30 national performance measures and are updated each fall and spring.

Developed under the guidance of a national expert panel, the Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade uses up to 27 measures of publicly available hospital safety data to assign grades to U.S. acute-care hospitals twice per year. The Hospital Safety Grade's methodology is peer-reviewed and fully transparent, and the results are free to the public.

Visit goodsamaritanmedical.org to learn more.

Chamber Hosts New Brockton Police Chief, Redevelopment Authority, City Planner, and MassDevelopment

Many members of the Metro South Chamber of Commerce, business community, and residents gathered at Thorny Lea Golf Club to hear from new Brockton leaders highlighting economic activity in Brockton and surrounding Metro South region.

Guest speakers included new Brockton Police Chief, Brenda Perez; interim Executive Director of the Brockton Redevelopment Authority, Dr. Patricia Jackson; Rob May, Brockton City Planner; Jay Pateakos, Vice President Business Development, South Region, MassDevelopment; and Grant Nickerson, VP Commercial Loan Officer, Rockland Trust.

Photos courtesy of Rich Morgan Photography. Visit [flickr.com/photos/metrosouthchamber/](https://www.flickr.com/photos/metrosouthchamber/) to see more photos from this event.



Rich Hynes, Barbour Corporation



Mahsa Khanbabai, Khanbabai Immigration Law



Brockton Police Chief, Brenda Perez



Grant Nickerson, Rockland Trust



Tim Cruz, Plymouth County DA; Dr. Patricia Jackson, Brockton Redevelopment Authority; Felicita Sepulveda, Cape Verdean Association of Brockton; Minh Tran, Plymouth Country District Attorney's Office.



Brockton City Councilor Shirley Asack, State Senators Walter Timilty and Mike Brady; Rich Hynes, Barbour Corp.; Brockton Police Chief Brenda Perez; Mahsa Khanbabai, Khanbabai Immigration Law; and Chris Cooney, Metro South Chamber of Commerce.



Captain William Hallisey, and Darren Duarte, Brockton PD; with Mahsa Khanbabai, Khanbabai Immigration Law.



Leon Muraguri and Charaliz Isaac, Brockton Redevelopment Authority.



MC: Mahsa Khanbabai. Panel: Dr. Patricia Jackson, BRA; Jay Pateakos, MassDevelopment; Rob May, Brockton City Planner.



John Santos, Mass Growth Capital; Derek Heim, Boys and Girls Club of Metro South.

BAT Offers Free Bus Service through Dec. 31!



Brockton Mayor Robert F. Sullivan and Brockton Area Transit (BAT) Administrator Michael Lambert announced that from November 25th through December 31st BAT's bus and paratransit services would be free thanks, in part, to a grant included in the state

budget and awarded by the Massachusetts Department of Transportation. The program is designed to encourage new customers to "Try Transit" by offering no cost trips to shop or dine at local businesses, visit with friends and family, and commute to work during the holiday season.

"We are extremely proud to partner with the Department of Transportation and BAT to provide free holiday service so that our City of Champions will be more accessible to all," Mayor Robert F. Sullivan said. "We have had great success with free and reduced public transit, including discounted commuter rail fares for Brockton residents, free weekend bus service and discounts for the Cape Flyer to Cape Cod this summer. Increasing public transit use is a top priority as we seek to reduce carbon emissions, improve accessibility, and make it more affordable for residents, businesses, workers and visitors to travel to and from Brockton."

The "Try Transit" initiative will be supported by the state grant that was awarded to all fifteen of the Commonwealth's Regional Transit Authorities who worked together to submit a joint application and plan for implementation. In BAT's service area, all fixed route and ADA paratransit services will be offered at no cost to customers. Exceptions include the planned Rockland microtransit service, Rockland Flex, and local Councils on Aging.

"Challenging times, whether due to increased costs or the pandemic, call for creative responses," said BAT Administrator Michael Lambert. "BAT offers sincere thanks to its state legislative delegation and board of directors for their consistent support over the past three years. I am also personally grateful to my regional transit colleagues across the state for their partnership on this project."

"MassDOT is pleased to have worked closely with the Commonwealth's 15 Regional Transit Authorities to utilize the funding awarded in the FY23 state budget for the "Try Transit" program. This initiative is another example of the many efforts where MassDOT and the RTAs collaborate to improve mobility options for Massachusetts transit customers," added MassDOT Rail & Transit Administrator Meredith Slesinger.

Although primarily designed to attract new customers by easing access to services, "Try Transit" will of course also offer a financial reprieve to current riders during these times of high inflation. It is expected that the savings and increased mobility offered by BAT's services will translate into increased spending at local shops and restaurants.

"It's wonderful to have this holiday season gift in the form of free bus fare via Brockton Area Transit," added Chris Cooney, CEO of the Metro South Chamber of Commerce. "This service will help workers, employers, and shoppers while they celebrate the holidays working and shopping throughout the region. Thank you BAT for this important gift."

The 'Try Transit' initiative is expected to be particularly effective in downtown Brockton with its high concentration of small businesses and transit amenities.

"With an influx of residents and new businesses in the downtown area and along Main Street, the 'Try Transit' initiative will be a great resource for our commercial centers, including Campello, Montello, and Westgate, as well as the rest of Brockton and the entire BAT service area.

Questions regarding the "Try Transit" program should be directed to Brockton Area Transit at 508.588.2240 or info@ridebat.com. Happy Holidays!

Chamber Celebrates 109 Years of Economic Growth & 11 Businesses Making an Impact in Brockton & Metro South

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The Metro South Chamber of Commerce is thrilled to honor eleven local businesses whose economic contributions have significantly benefited the area. These eleven businesses have impacted Metro South by creating jobs and adding to the rich business culture by providing valuable products, resources, and services to help our region thrive. Whether small entrepreneurs or franchisees of international corporations, the following businesses are recognized for their impressive accomplishments. Congratulations to 24 Restore, Concord Square Planning & Development, Egan Development, HD Pediatrics, Heights Crossing Assisted Living, JN Kidds, One Nine Residences (New Vision Enterprises), Porton di Nô's Ilha, The Arc of Greater Brockton, The Wild Dahlia, and Trinity Development & Management. We hope they continue to support and expand their influence throughout the Metro South region.



(L-R) Joe Casey, HarborOne Bank, Immediate Past Chair; Peter McConnell, Heights Crossing Assisted Living; Robyn Hayes, CPNC, HD Pediatrics; Stephen Egan, Egan Development; Ted Carman, Concord Square Planning & Development; Robert Tishman, 24 Restore; Chris Cooney, Metro South Chamber President.



(L-R) Joe Casey, HarborOne Bank; Jonathan Brahmner, Trinity Development & Management; Dean Rizzo, The Arc of Greater Brockton; Shawna Pashalopoulos, The Wild Dahlia; Paulo Semedo and Rosangela Tavares, Porton di Nô's Ilha; Joe Goncalves, New Vision Enterprises; Peter Smith, SCORE representing JN Kidds; Chris Cooney, MSCC.

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1. 24 Restore | 10 Church Street, Easton | 24restore.com




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24 Restore is New England's largest locally owned disaster restoration company, headquartered in Easton, MA. Specializing in restoring commercial and residential properties in their pre-loss condition, 24 Restore's vision is "a great team of professionals working together to wow our customers and support the communities we serve". In 2022, 24 Restore invested 1.5 million into advancing their company through expansion and the creation of 22 new jobs. They are committed to giving back to the communities they serve through their private charitable foundation, 24 Cares.

2. Concord Square Planning & Development | 28 Petronelli Way, Brockton

Concord
Square
Planning &
Development, Inc.

28 Petronelli Way is a historic four-story brick building in the center of downtown Brockton, with an elaborate Romanesque Revival façade. It was built in 1890 as the St. Patrick's Total Abstinence Society Building and included a theater on the upper floor with a full balcony. It had other community-oriented meeting rooms on the second and third floors, and four retail spaces on the street level. In the 1980s it housed the Petronelli Brothers' boxing gym where World Champion Marvin Hagler trained. 28 Petronelli LLC, an affiliate of Concord Square Planning & Development, Inc., purchased the property in March 2019 from the City of Brockton. Extensive work was immediately carried out to stabilize the building, cover the roof, and remove debris. With the help of Historic Tax Credits, HDIP Tax Credits, a tax exemption agreement with the City, a construction loan, and Opportunity Zone eligible equity investment, the site has been renovated into 18 market rate apartments including 6 studios, 9 one-bedroom, and 3 two-bedroom units. Concord Square is also completing renovations at the former Furniture Building, a gorgeous six story building on Centre Street. Expected to open in 2023. Learn more at www.concordsqdev.com/28-petronelli-way



3. Egan Development | 6 Pasture Lane, Whitman | egandevelopment.com




Egan
Development
LLC

Egan Development, LLC is a development company based in Whitman specializing in building single-family homes, condominium properties, mixed-use, and apartment buildings. Their newest project, the Homestead Building located in downtown Whitman (629 Washington Street), features 8,000 square feet of commercial space and 26 modern apartments. This renovation represents an investment of six million dollars and has improved the area greatly. After being in business for more 25 years, Egan Development's core philosophy remains the same: "One home, one buyer, one dream at a time."



4. HD Pediatrics | 1524 Turnpike Street, Stoughton | hdpedi.com



HD
PEDIATRICS

Officially opened in 2022, HD Pediatrics brings a generational leap forward in pediatric medicine by focusing on patient needs and family convenience. HD Pediatrics' new facility in Stoughton features the combined focus of physical medicine and mental health care that works to provide a new model for serving patients and families. The 5,000-square-foot facility, which opened in the summer, boasts...(continued on page 7)

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(cont. from page 6)...telemedicine and an in-house lab service to lessen waiting time and eliminate extra trips for parents. A creation forged by Robyn Haynes, CPCP and Tim DiBona, HD Pediatrics has invested over 1 million dollars and created 26 new jobs. Their mission is to prove there is a far better way to help children with their health in all communities.

5. Heights Crossing Assisted Living | 35 Christy's Place, Brockton



Heights Crossing Assisted living has been a pillar in the Metro South Community for over 25 years and prides itself in offering high quality Assisted Living and Memory Support options for local seniors. In 2019, Heights Crossing invested 1.5 million dollars in major renovations to their buildings including cosmetic updates, improvements in energy efficiency and steps to reduce their carbon footprint. The Community, conveniently located off route 24 in Brockton, is known to families and the area eldercare professionals for their integrity, commitment to valuing their associates, research-based programming, and innovative approach to senior living. Residents and caring associated are largely from the Metro South region. To learn more visit www.seniorlivingresidences.com/communities/brockton-heights-crossing

6. JN Kidds | 830 West Chestnut Street, Brockton | jnkidds.com



JN Kidds, formerly of Weymouth, is now Brockton based food distribution company which specializes in working with the individual styles and preferences of the chefs they cater to. Established in the 1990s, Jack Shannon reinvented his life around a fascination for great food and its preparation. A lifelong "foodie," Jack built relationships with Boston area chefs based on their individual style and preferences, then enlisted his "kids" to custom source, package and deliver a full menu of supplies to each chef's kitchen. As Boston's culinary scene expanded, its chefs continued to count on JN Kidds. Recently, JN Kidds has expanded to 25 food service professionals, a 35,000 ft. warehouse and a fleet of vans/trucks recently relocated to their new building on West Chestnut Street.

7. New Vision Enterprises | 188 Court Street, Brockton | NVEconstruction.com



New Vision Enterprises is a construction management firm specializing in rehabilitation of commercial and residential real estate. "One Nine Residences", formerly the "First Parish" building, is a newly renovated historic building site at 19 Main Street in downtown Brockton. Now completed, this multi-use complex offers twenty units of luxury apartments on the upper levels, and three thousand square feet of new ground level retail/office space. New Vision has a robust pipeline of future development in the downtown Brockton district. They will break ground on construction of a new residential building on a currently vacant Brockton lot in 2023. New Vision's owner, Joe Goncalves, is pleased to continue with revitalization in the city center of Brockton.

8. Porton di Nós Ilha | 820 Main Street, Brockton

Porton di Nós Ilha is a Cape Verdean restaurant located on Main Street in Downtown Brockton. With a stunning façade and artistic...(cont. on page 8)

Business-2-Business Expo Participants:

Adult & Teen Challenge Massachusetts, Bluestone Bank, Bridgewater State University, Brockton Area Transit Authority, Brockton Redevelopment Authority, Burgess Pest Management, Cape Verdean Association of Brockton, Combined Insurance of America, Eastern Bank, Father Bill's and MainSpring, HarborOne Bank, Heights Crossing Assisted Living, Hub Technical Services, Hutcheon's Flowers & Holmes-McDuffy, Luke Jackson Benefit & HR Solutions, JM Pet Resort, Massasoit Community College, MassHire GBWB, Metro South Chamber of Commerce, Murphy, Hesse, Toomey & Lehan, LLP, North Easton Savings Bank, OCEs Old Colony Elder Services, Old Colony Planning Council, Old Colony YMCA, SCORE/U.S. Small Business Administration, SCU Credit Union, Sign Design, Inc., The Arc of Greater Brockton, UMass Donahue/MassHire GBCC, Wright Technology Group.



Brockton Neighborhood Health Center team with MSCC Annual Meeting speaker, Steve Gross, Founder & Chief Playmaker of the Life is Good Project Playmaker.



MSCC 109th Annual Meeting Premier Sponsor HarborOne Bank at their expo booth at the Adult & Teen Challenge Multipurpose Auditorium in Brockton.



Jeff Charnel, North Easton Savings Bank; Margaret Laforest, MOBD Regional Director; and Joe Goncalves, New Vision Enterprises.



Jeni Mather, JM Pet Resort, Chamber Board and outgoing board member, Friend Weiler, Vice Chair of Membership Development.



Chris Cooney, Metro South Chamber President & CEO; and Sheila Sullivan-Jardim, Executive Director, MassHire Greater Brockton Workforce Board.

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2022 Economic Impact Awardes Continued



(cont. from page 7)...views of Cidade Velha, a city in the southern part of the island of Santiago, Cape Verde, owners Rosangela Tavares and Paulo Semedo are striving to give Brockton a place where people can enjoy traditional Cape Verdean and American food while learning about the history of their culture.

After acquiring the property in 2020 and two years of preparation and renovations, the couple has invested a significant amount of money into bringing an international cuisine fused with authentic Cape Verdean taste to the Metro South Region. It's an extraordinary restaurant and a wonderful experience enhancing the diverse culinary culture of the city and region. Visit www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100082816167958 to learn more.

9. The Arc of Greater Brockton | 1250 West Chestnut Street, Brockton



The Arc of Greater Brockton is a non-profit local chapter of The Arc, a national advocacy organization, and an affiliate of The Arc Massachusetts. Their mission is to work in partnership with, and for, the community to provide advocacy, information, and direct services for children and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities and autism spectrum disorder. Recently investing over \$400,000 into major renovations to their facility, The Arc of Greater Brockton has expanded and updated both the exterior and interior of their space which includes their medical resource area and Redemption Center services area.

10. The Wild Dahlia | 56 Main Street, Easton | thewilddahlia.com



The Wild Dahlia is an Easton-based Floral Design Studio driven to make a lasting imprint upon the heart and mind through flowers. Recently purchasing a historic home in the center of North Easton, The Wild Dahlia has expanded their floral studio and is excited to host future seasonal fairs, events, and markets in the area. With over 10 years in the business, The Wild Dahlia has been featured in People Magazine, Martha Stewart "Weddings" Magazine, Vogue, Boston Magazine, and Bravo television network. After recently investing in a site they can own and operate, they are moving their floral studio to their new Easton space.

11. Trinity Development & Management | 45 Petronelli Way, Brockton

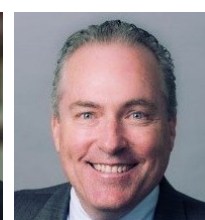


Trinity Financial is constructing the second phase of the Enterprise Center, a multiyear project that when complete will encompass 224 new mixed-income apartments and 65,000 square feet of office, retail, and artist exhibition space on the block formerly housing the Brockton Enterprise newspaper, along with a new municipal parking garage built by the city. Phase one, completed in 2015, also involved constructing a new building on Centre Street with 113 apartments. Seventy-one of the units are affordable, 42 of those with preference for artists. The building also includes 1,500 square feet of retail space, and an art gallery. A city park honoring veterans of the Korean and Vietnam wars was restored. The \$48.2 million second phase involves construction of a new building with 111 rental apartments — 58 of them affordable — with an outdoor plaza on Petronelli Way, bringing quality housing with great amenities and access to all that downtown Brockton offers. www.trinityfinancial.com

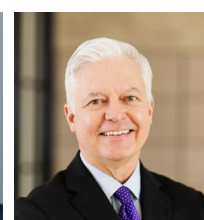
Chamber Elects Three New Board Members



Ray DiPasquale,
Massasoit Community
College



Robert Haffey,
Signature Healthcare



Doug Smith,
Stonehill College

The Metro South Chamber of Commerce welcomes three new members to its Board of Directors: Ray DiPasquale, Massasoit Community College; Robert Haffey, Signature Healthcare; and Doug Smith, Stonehill College.

Outgoing Board Members were recognized for their years of service at the 109th Annual Meeting: Mahsa Khanbabai, Khanbabai Immigration Law, and Friend Weiler, Consultant.

The Metro South Chamber Board of Directors is responsible for helping the Chamber carry out its mission: to best serve the unique interests and needs of member businesses and to champion the broader economic vitality of the Metro South region.

The Board of Directors meets regularly to address policy and issues of economic and community concern. The next Board of Directors meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 21 at 12:30 pm via Zoom. We are pleased to add these business leaders to our lineup and welcome their input in future meetings.

Mahsa Khanbabai Receives Charles A. Fuller Award



Mahsa Khanbabai, Khanbabai
Immigration Law

We are pleased to present the Charles A. Fuller Memorial Chamber Service Award to a true champion of business and the community, Mahsa Khanbabai - in recognition of leadership performance, personal example, and good influence to advance the welfare of the Metro South community.

Attorney Mahsa Khanbabai is an internationally recognized leader on U.S. immigration and is a frequent speaker on the topic. She was born in Iran and raised from a young age in western Massachusetts where her father was a medical doctor. Through a complex immigration process, it took more than twenty years before she was granted U.S. citizenship. This experience shaped her decision to earn a law degree to help others by opening a law practice dedicated to Immigration Law.

While working at her law practice, Khanbabai Immigration Law in Brockton, she has assisted hundreds of people with immigration, especially in the field of healthcare. Since then, she has expanded her offices and law firm and moved them to Easton where she also lives with her family.

For many people, Mahsa is the interviewer or em-cee at monthly Chamber business forums, the professional board member at regular chamber board meetings or the featured speaker on the topic of immigration law seen throughout the community and on national television, periodically.

No matter what the association, Mahsa is a true community minded member who volunteers to serve on numerous community and industry related boards including the Metro South Chamber these past eight years. Her commitment to the Chamber of Commerce and the community is extraordinary and her contribution of countless hours is appreciated and recognized with this award.

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MONDAY, DECEMBER 12

10:00AM-11:00AM

IN-PERSON EVENT

regarding the SDO’s diversity certification program, **Monday, December 12th at 10:00AM at 575 N Montello Street in Brockton.** Register and learn more online: <https://bit.ly/3XL6FQR>

- Discussion topics will include:**
- Who may be eligible for State certification
 - How the certification process works
 - The benefits of State certification
 - Why State certification may be right for your business
 - What support does the SDO offers after you have received your state certification

There will be an opportunity to ask questions, meet members of the SDO’s Diverse and Small Business Engagement team and network with other business owners as well as receive ongoing support from Small Business Strong Advisors as you embark on your Minority Certification journey. Cape Verdean Creole/Portuguese interpretation available.

The SDO’s mission is to promote diversity, equity, and inclusion in state contracting for businesses owned by minorities, women, Portuguese, veterans, service-disabled veterans, those with a disability, and LGBT individuals, as well as small Massachusetts businesses. The SDO certifies these businesses and manages several programs that help them enhance their marketability when bidding on public contracts.

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South Eastern Economic Development (SEED) Corp.
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Join the Massachusetts Supplier Diversity Office (SDO) in partnership with Small Business Strong (SBS) and the Brockton Redevelopment Authority (BRA) for an informational workshop

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North Attleboro
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www.ccab.org
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The Truth About Employee Retention Credits (ERC) and How to Process the Paperwork

Employee Retention Credits (ERC)



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through this pandemic. You will be glad you spent the one hour listening to this concise and helpful Zoom recording from the SBA. It's the first time they are presenting on this topic.

Will your small business benefit? Take a listen and share with your payroll and accounting people to prepare your paperwork now. Watch the infosession online: <https://bit.ly/3B79SRs>

Federal, State & Regional COVID-19 Resources



The Metro South Chamber of Commerce is dedicated to providing support for our business community now more than ever - we're here for you. Below, please find an extensive list of federal, state, and regional resources available to you during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Brockton Redevelopment Authority
Contact: Patricia Jackson
(508) 586-3887

Center for Women & Enterprise
Contact: Carla Akalatian
(617) 532-0244

Massachusetts Office of Business Development (MOBD)
Contact: Margaret Laforest
(617) 939-3097
Contact: Susan Whitaker
(617) 620-1005

MA Small Business Development Center Network (MSBDC)
Contact: Jill Beresford (508) 673-9783

Massachusetts Supplier Diversity Office (SDO)
Contact: John Fitzpatrick
(617) 720-3300

MassDevelopment
Contact: Jay Pateakos
(508) 678-0533

MassHire Greater Brockton Workforce Board (MassHire GBWB)
Contact: Sheila Sullivan-Jardim
(508) 584-3234

MassHire Greater Brockton Career Center (MassHire GBCC)
Contact: John Murray
(508) 513-3400

Old Colony Planning Council
Contact: Mary Waldron
(508) 583-1833 ext. 202

SCORE Business Counselors
Contact: Peter Smith
(508) 587-2673

South Eastern Economic Development (SEED) Corporation
Contact: Sue Murray
(508) 822-1020

U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA)
Contact: Susan Lourie
(617) 565-5564

Affordable, Flexible Health Coverage for Small Biz



The Massachusetts Health Connector is here in support of small businesses and employees to make sure you know about the affordable and cost-saving health insurance options

available through www.MAhealthconnector.org/business.

This information session focuses on health insurance options available to small businesses and their employees through Health Connector for Business. A review of options available for individuals and families who are not eligible for coverage through their small employer is also

Employers' Experience with Health Connector for Business
Groups shopping through the Health Connector for Business receive greater cost savings and flexibility through these benefits:

FLEXIBLE CHOICES	EMPLOYEE CHOICE MODELS Through our flexible employee choice models employers can allow employees to shop for different plans that fit their needs, all while keeping employer costs constant.
REBATES	CONNECTWELL Employers with 1-25 enrolled employees will be eligible for a 15% rebate on the employer's premium contributions if 33% of employees complete one of 30+ approved wellness activities.
TAX CREDITS	SMALL BUSINESS HEALTH CARE TAX CREDIT Only businesses that shop through state marketplaces can be eligible for the Small Business Health Care Tax Credit.
NO FEES	NO FEES OR MEMBERSHIP DUES The Health Connector for Business allows for you to shop for coverage options and enroll in coverage without any fees or dues.

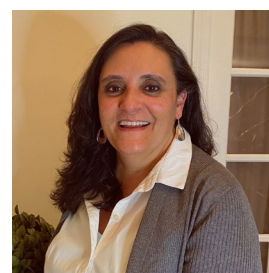
HEALTH CONNECTOR for Business 11

included. The agenda includes:

- Coverage options for small employers
- Flexible Employee Choice models
- Exclusive cost-saving benefits such as the ConnectWell rebate program and the Small Business Tax Credit
- Health insurance options for individuals and families not eligible for small group coverage

The slidedeck is also available at files.constantcontact.com/969219b8001/61411af4-586e-4d68-a1fe-796f7b812a7e.pdf

Small Business Resource; We Speak Portuguese!



Theresa Lobo-Albin, Small Business Assistance

Theresa Lobo-Albin on the chamber staff is fluent in Portuguese. She is available to communicate with businesses that may require help in learning about various business assistance programs serving entrepreneurs, businesses and non-profits throughout the region.

Theresa holds a degree in business and accounting and has worked with many small businesses from numerous industries over her career in accounting.

The Chamber (in partnership with many regional, state, and federal resources) operates the Metro South Business Assistance Center and Thomas Edison Business Incubator in support of business development. Many of the BAC resources can be found online and are being offered remotely, including one-on-one coaching through SCORE

Counselors.

To learn more about business assistance resources in English and Portuguese contact Theresa Lobo-Albin at finance@metrosouthchamber.com or call (508) 586-0500 x 230. To learn more about the Business Assistance Center (BAC) and available business resources, visit www.metroouthchamber.com/resources/business-assistance. Individual counseling is available by



Chamber Affiliation News & Events

To become an affiliate organization of the Chamber, contact Christopher Cooney at (508) 586-0500 x 223 or e-mail chris@metrosouthchamber.com.

The **Avon Industrial Park Association** is a non-profit group seeking to advance the advocacy and business of its members in public and private affairs. Membership is open to all companies who operate within the confines of Avon Industrial Park in Avon, Massachusetts. For more information please visit avonindustrialpark.org.



The **Bridgewater Business Association (BBA)** promotes unity between local government and the business community and is committed to promoting goodwill among business owners, operating in an ethical manner, and supporting the community they serve. Visit bridgewaterbiz.biz for more information.



The **Connect 24 Business Alliance (C24BA)**, formerly the Randolph & Stoughton Chambers of Commerce, was formed to increase strength and support for our members and provide more opportunities for our local business community to thrive. Visit connect24ba.com to learn more.



The **East Bridgewater Business Association (EBBA)** was founded in 1993 "to promote a healthy business environment in East Bridgewater and to provide services to assist its members including education, networking and fellowship." Please visit www.eastbridgewaterbiz.com for more information.



The **Easton Chamber of Commerce** is a non-profit 501(c)(6) membership organization representing business and professional people. The Easton Chamber of Commerce mission is to unite, guide and support Easton businesses with the goal of increasing economic opportunities and fostering a healthy business climate. Visit easton-chamber.com to learn more.



The **Norwell Chamber of Commerce's** mission is to promote the civic, economic and social welfare of its members and the Town of Norwell. They actively assist the Chamber members with the challenges of business growth, management and entrepreneurship. Visit norwellchamberofcommerce.com for more information.



The **South Shore Women's Business Network (SSWBN)**, established in 1991, was the inspiration of six women who felt that the needs of women in business were not being met by traditional organizations. They further believed there was a need for an organization that would provide networking opportunities to women and business owners on the South Shore. Visit sswbn.org for more information.

Networking Group USA Partners with Chamber: Easton, Halifax, and West Bridgewater



The Metro South Chamber and Networking Group USA have formed a partnership to engage emerging businesses and help them grow. This is a low cost way to network, and in combination with Chamber membership, is great way to grow your business. Visitors are always welcome.

Networking Group USA has open seats for building your business by referral. Flexible, growth oriented and affordable, meeting are twice a month in person or via zoom.

Easton NGU - meets 8am, 2nd & 4th Weds via Zoom with quarterly social events contact MarcyVenzia@gmail.com

Waters NGU - Meets 8:30am 1st & 3rd Thurs at Keeping

Pace with Multiple Miracles in W. Bridgewater Contact Jane.McCarthy@rate.com

Taunton NGU meets 9-10am 1st & 3rd Tues Contact Kevin at QuackSellsHomes@gmail.com

To learn more contact Marcy Venezia at 781-223-8221 and watch this 3 minute video of the Waters Group overview. <https://bit.ly/3LJ1Dh0>

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December 6: *How To Build A Website for Your Business - Live Q&A*

December 7: *How to Write a Business Plan & Avoid Getting Stuck in Planning Process*

December 8: *How to Trademark Your Business Brand*

December 13: *Can You Start a Business in a Recession?*

December 15: *Starting an E-commerce Business - Tips to Selling Online*

December 20: *Starting a Business - How To Build a Foundation That Lasts*

December 28: *Starting a Business On Shoestring Budget in 2023*

December 29: *Getting Certified as a Woman-Owned, Minority-Owned, or Veteran-Owned Business*

January 19: *Should You Get Certified as a Woman-owned, Veteran-owned, or Minority-owned Business?*

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REFERENCE MATERIALS: An outstanding collection of reference materials that include hundreds of fully detailed, step-by-step guides for every aspect of starting and maintaining a small business.

ACCESS: To computer and business-related software, including QuickBooks Pro, Business Plan Pro, Loan Builder, Microsoft Office, and more.

EDUCATION: Workshops include QuickBooks, Writing a Business Plan, SEED Commercial, Social Media Series, DCAMM Certification, and more.

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Metro South Regional Economic Development Organization
For more info, contact the Metro South Chamber of Commerce,
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BUSINESS EVENTS *Planner*

December 07

Ambassador Meeting

9:00AM

Virtual meeting via Zoom

Want to become a Chamber Ambassador and advocate for the Metro South business community? Contact Cathryn Schofield at (508) 586-0500 x231 or email CSchofield@metrosouthchamber.com.

December 13

Holiday Good Day Metro South

11:45AM

Thorny Lea Golf Club - 159 Torrey Street, Brockton

Holiday networking, new faces from Fuller Craft Museum, Children's Museum in Easton, and SCU Credit Union, plus the Treasurer's Office new Small Business Resource Website.

Register: metrosouthchamber.com/events

December 21

Board Meeting

12:30PM

Virtual meeting via Zoom

Chamber board meeting.

Email chris@metrosouthchamber.com for info.

December 26

Christmas Day Observed Chamber Closed

Happy Holidays!