

Women’s Center Foundation committing more grant funds

SPRINGFIELD – The O’Dell Women’s Center Foundation is committing \$1 million in funding to non-profit organizations serving low-income women and girls throughout Hampden County, Massachusetts.

This represents the Foundation’s largest grant-making investment to date, the 2026 grant program reflects the growing need for

services that help women and girls achieve stability, opportunity, and long-term economic mobility.

“Our decision to double our grantmaking reflects both the urgency of the needs we see across our community and our unwavering commitment to supporting women and girls,” said Keely Krant, Founder and President of the O’Dell Women’s Center.

“Women deserve access to both immediate support during difficult times and opportunities that lead to long-term financial stability.”

The Foundation’s grant-making is centered on two funding priorities:

- Critical and Basic Needs supports programs that help women and their families meet essential needs and maintain stability during

challenging circumstances.

- Education, Career Development, and Economic Stability supports programs that help women achieve financial stability through education and career advancement.

Grants will range from \$20,000 to \$100,000, with an average award of \$50,000, supporting organizations that provide critical services

while helping women build stronger futures. Applications are now open and will close Sept. 18.

The O’Dell Women’s Center Foundation is committed to investing in programs that address both immediate challenges and long-term opportunities for women and girls. By supporting organizations that remove barriers and expand

access to education, employment, and essential services, we help build stronger families and more resilient communities throughout Hampden County.

For more information about the 2026 grant cycle or to register for the virtual information session, visit the O’Dell Women’s Center website at www.odellwomen-scenter.com.

Registration, volunteer signups open for Run Stanley 5K

WESTFIELD – Stanley Park is excited to announce that registration is now open for the 14th Annual Run Stanley 5K, taking place on Sunday, October 4, 2026. Participants and volunteers can sign up online at <https://runsignup.com/Race/MA/Westfield/RunStanley>.

Run Stanley is a beloved community tradition that brings together runners, walkers, families, students, and their four-legged companions

for a morning of fitness, fun, and support for Stanley Park. The event welcomes participants of all ages and abilities through a variety of race divisions, including the 5K Trail Run/Walk, K9 Division, 1-Mile Stroll & Roll, and the ¾-Mile Munchkin Run for elementary school students.

Elementary schools are also encouraged to participate in the School Spirit Challenge. The elementary school with the most registered partici-

pants will take home the coveted Run Stanley School Spirit Trophy.

In addition to participants, Stanley Park is seeking volunteers to help make the event a success. Volunteers are needed for a variety of roles, including registration, course marshaling, water stations, finish line support, and event setup and cleanup. Community members, service groups, students, and local organizations are encouraged to get involved.

As a private nonprofit organization, Stanley Park relies on the support of events like Run Stanley to help maintain its nearly 300 acres of gardens, trails, wildlife sanctuary, and recreational spaces, which are enjoyed by more than 400,000 visitors annually. The park remains free and open to the public year-round.

To register for the race or sign up to volunteer, visit: <https://runsignup.com/Race/MA/Westfield/RunStanley>

Granby Free Public Library offering photography workshop July 30

GRANBY – On Thursday, July 30 from 5 to 7 p.m. Granby Free Public Library will host “Photographing and Capturing the Beauty of Flowers and Gardens.” If you love flowers, plants, and gar-

dens, chances are you love taking pictures of them too!

Learn a set of simple techniques for taking stunning flower and garden photos. All cameras, phones, and experience levels are welcome. You’ll have a chance

to try your new skills as we photograph real flowers and experiment with backgrounds, small lights, reflectors, diffusers, Lensball, special effect attachments for your phone, and more.

This workshop is led by

Massachusetts-based event, lifestyle, and branding photographer, Joan Celebi.

Space is limited, so please contact the library to sign up. Sponsored by the Friends of the Granby Free Public Library.

Public Notices

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Hampden Division
Docket No.
HD26P1470EA
Estate of:
William T. Baxter, Sr.
Date of Death:
January 29, 2026
INFORMAL PROBATE
PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **William T. Baxter, Jr. of Holyoke, MA**

a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

William T. Baxter, Jr. of Holyoke, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve **without surety** on the bond.

The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.

07/24/2026

City of Holyoke
Notice of Public Hearing
The Holyoke License Board will be holding a Public Hearing on **Wednesday, August 5, 2026, at 5:15 p.m.** You can join via Zoom.com; ID **83974921923**;

CALL IN: *67 646 558 8656 or in person at City Hall, 536 Dwight St. in the Old Tax Collector Office Room 6, regarding the application for a New Seasonal All Alcohol On-premises License for Demented FX Inc., 530 Main Street. pursuant to M.G.L. Ch.138.

Applicant: Demented FX Inc.
License Board:
Jose Correa, Chairman
07/24, 07/31/2026

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Hampden Probate and Family Court
50 State Street
Springfield, MA 01103
(413)748-7758
Docket No.
HD22P2487EA
Estate of:
Daniel Francis Griffin
Date of Death: 08/19/2022
CITATION ON PETITION
FOR SALE OF REAL ESTATE BY A PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

To all interested persons:
A Petition for Sale of Real Estate has been filed by: **Maureen A O’Driscoll of Holyoke, MA** requesting that the court authorize the Personal Representative to sell the decedent’s real estate at a private sale.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 08/14/2026.

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to

file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

Witness, **Claudine T. Stoudemire**, First Justice of this Court.

Date: July 06, 2026

Rosemary A Saccomani,
Register of Probate
07/24/2026

INVITATION TO BID
JONES POINT PARK
IMPROVEMENTS REBID
IFB 2027-5P

Sealed bids for of Jones Point Park Improvements (Re-Bid), Holyoke, MA will be received on **August 6, 2026** at the City of Holyoke Office of Procurement, 536 Dwight Street, Room 3, Holyoke, Massachusetts 01040, Attn: Jaime Morrow, Chief Procurement Officer **until 2 PM** prevailing time, at which said Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. All bids shall be submitted within a sealed envelope addressed to the “City of Holyoke Office of Procurement, 536 Dwight Street, Room 3, Holyoke, Massachusetts 01040, Attn: Jaime Morrow, Chief Procurement Officer” and titled “**Jones Point Park Improvements (Re-Bid), Bid#2027-5P**”.

The work under this contract shall include park improvements including installation of a walking path, basketball court resurfacing, parking improvements, and other incidental construction related to the project. Bidding procedures shall be in accordance with the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 30, Section 39 M as amended.

This project may be funded in whole or part with federal funds. Attention is called to the minimum wage rates required to be paid for all labor on this project. Every Bid shall be accompanied

by a bid deposit, in an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the bid amount, in the form of a bid bond; or a certified check; or a treasurer’s check; or by cashier’s check issued by a responsible bank or trust company, made payable to the City of Holyoke. **Beginning at 10 AM on July 22, 2026**, all project documents will be distributed and supplied by the City of Holyoke’s in electronic format only.

Submit requests for documents to Jaime Morrow, Chief Procurement Officer, at morrowj@holyoke.org between the hours of 8:30 AM and 4:30 PM. Requests shall include firm name and address, contact name and title, email address, and telephone number.

Any questions need to be submitted in writing via email to morrowj@holyoke.org by **July 29, 2026 @ 2 PM**. The answers will be issued via addenda to all bid holders no later than **July 31, 2026**.

The bidder Contractor shall also be MassDOT, Highways Division, Prequalified in the class of work “RECREATION FACILITIES”.

An award will not be made to a Contractor who is not pre-qualified with the MassDOT Highway Division prior to the opening of proposals.

The bidder agrees that its bid shall be good and may not be withdrawn for a period of 45 days, Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays excluded, after the opening of the bids.

The Awarding Authority reserves the right to reject any or all bids, and/ or waive any informality, if it is deemed to be in the public interest so to do.

07/24/2026

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
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Florence Bank announces Zabek new assistant VP

FLORENCE – Florence Bank is pleased to announce it has hired Kim Zabek of Chicopee as Assistant Vice President and Branch Manager of the Florence Branch office.

With over 28 years of banking experience, Zabek has previously held the positions of Branch Manager Officer, Call Center Manager, Assistant Branch Manager.

In addition to managing Florence Bank’s Florence branch, she will oversee community outreach and engagement, growing customer relationships, and customer service.



Kim Zabek

“ I ’ m excited to lead the Florence branch team,” said Zabek. “I look forward to building lasting relationships and helping individuals, families and businesses achieve their

financial goals.”

President and CEO Matt Garrity is pleased to welcome Zabek to the bank. “Kim comes to us with a wealth of experience in banking,” said Garrity. “With her prior experience and incredible skillset, I am confident she will provide exceptional service to Florence Bank’s customers.”

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50 State Street
Springfield, MA 01103
413-748-775
Docket No.
HD26A0041AD
In the matter of:
Dallas Colton McCullough
CITATION G.L. c.210,
Section 6

To: Any unnamed or unknown parent and persons interested in a petition for the adoption of said child and to the Department of Children and Families of said Commonwealth

A petition has been presented to said court by **Tawnee Renee Gonzalez and Harry Enrique Santiago Jr. of Chicopee, MA** requesting for leave to adopt said child and that the name of the child be changed to

If you object to this adoption you are entitled to the appointment of an attorney if you are an indigent person.

An indigent person is defined by SJC Rule 3:10. The definition includes but is not limited to persons receiving TAFDC, EACDC, poverty related veteran’s benefits, Medicaid, and SSI. The Court will determine if you are indigent. Contact an Assistant Judicial Case Manager or Adoption Clerk of the court on or before the date listed below to obtain the necessary forms.

IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO, YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE IN SAID COURT AT: **SPRINGFIELD ON OR BEFORE TEN O’CLOCK IN THE MORNING (10:00 AM) ON: 08/17/2026**

WITNESS, Hon. Claudine T. Stoudemire, First Justice of this Court

Date: June 29, 2026
Rosemary A. Saccomani
Register of Probate
07/24/2026

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Hampden Probate and Family Court
50 State Street
Springfield, MA 01103
(413)748-7758
Docket No.
HD26P1112EA
Estate of:
Michael Soderbaum
Date of Death: 03/09/2008
CITATION ON PETITION
FOR SALE OF REAL ESTATE BY A PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

To all interested persons:
A Petition for Sale of Real Estate has been filed by: **John J Ferriter of Holyoke, MA** requesting that the court authorize the Personal Representative to sell the decedent’s real estate at a private sale.

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Witness, **Claudine T. Stoudemire**, First Justice of this Court.

Date: July 09, 2026
Rosemary A Saccomani,
Register of Probate
07/24/2026

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