



2015 SPRING SUMMER CATALOG

**SIGN UP
NOW!
PROGRAMS
FILL UP FAST!**

WHAT'S UP FOR THIS SUMMER!

- Day Camps and Family Fun
- Fitness
- Sports
- Beaches
- Community Centers
- Parks





**PLAY IN
THE PARK**
& SUMMER FOOD PROGRAM

Food that's in when school is out. Join us at one of the following locations for nutritious meals along with games, special events and fun!

**Starting June 29 - August 28.
Monday thru Friday from
11am to 2pm.**

FREE FUN!



Ashley Park
Andrea McCoy Recreation Center
Blue Meadows Housing
Brickenwood Housing
Brooklawn Park
Buttonwood Park
Clasky Common Park
Dottin Place Housing
Gomes School Playground
Harmony Gardens
Harrington Park
Hazelwood Park

Magnett Park
Montes Park
Nashmont Housing
Parkdale Housing
Presidential Heights Housing
Rivers End Park
Riverside Park Playground
Roberto Clemente Park
Ruth Street Tot Lot
Satellite Housing
Shawmut Housing
Westlawn Housing

**PROJECTED 2015 SITES, SUBJECT TO CHANGE*

For more information call (508) 961-3015

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City of New Bedford Parks and Playgrounds

PARK NAME	WALKING	PICNIC AREA	TENNIS	BASKETBALL	RECREATION FIELDS	COMMUNITY CENTER	NATURE PATHS	SPLASH PAD	PLAYGROUND
Ashley Park	X	X			X	X		X	X
Baby Kenney Tot Lot	X								X
Beauregard-Pina Playground	X								X
Ben Rose Field	X				X			X	
Bonney St. Playground	X								X
Brooklawn Park	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Buttonwood Park	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X
Camara Field					X			X	
Clasky Common Park	X	X		X				X	X
Custon House Square	X	X							
Eddie James Playground	X	X		X					X
Flora B.Pierce Nature Trail	X						X		
Fort Taber Park	X	X				X	X		X
Gomes School Park	X	X		X	X				X
Harrington Park	X	X		X				X	X
Hazelwood Park	X	X	X	X		X			X
Loretta Borque Park	X								
Magnett Park	X		X	X					X
Marine Park at Pope's Island	X								X
Monte Park	X	X		X					X
Pine Hill Park	X			X					X
Pulaski Park	X			X			X		
River's End Park	X								X
Riverside Park	X	X		X	X		X	X	X
Roberto Clemente Park	X	X		X					
Ruth St Common	X	X							X
Victory Park	X				X	X	X		
Washburn Park	X			X					X
Washington Square	X								
West End Playground	X	X		X					X

City of New Bedford Rules and Regulations for City Parks and Playgrounds

This beautiful public space is yours to enjoy for relaxation and recreation. Please respect others and keep our park clean. Parks and playgrounds are open dawn to dusk.

PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES:

- Use of or possession of alcohol or illegal drugs
- Use of vulgar or threatening language
- Operation of unauthorized vehicles on park property
- Parking on the lawn
- Bicycles on the lawn
- Dumping or littering
- Vandalism of a tree, plant, or park structure
- Unleashed animals or any animal within 100 ft of a recreational area
- Fires, fireworks, or firearms of any kind
- Feeding birds or wildlife
- Use of metal detectors without a permit
- Golfing
- Smoking
- Performances, solicitations, or commercial activity without license from Parks, Recreation & Beaches
- Use of the park after it is closed
- Skateboarding except where indicated
- Sleeping



The Board of Park Commissioners of the City of New Bedford

Welcome

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Our Mission

The Parks Recreation & Beaches Department is dedicated to planning, implementing, and supervising recreational, educational and cultural activities designed to enhance and improve the quality of life for all city residents. Our office promotes the engagement in and constructive use of all open and recreational spaces by the residents of the City of New Bedford and provides safe, well-maintained, and aesthetically pleasing parks, playgrounds, and outdoor recreation facilities. The City of New Bedford Parks Recreation and Beaches works in collaboration with other city departments to accomplish this mission while preserving our natural resources, promoting conservation, and educating city residents on our natural environment.

The department provides year-round recreational and educational programs for New Bedford residents in an environment that is safe and supportive for both youth and adults to explore their talents, build self esteem and empower healthy decision making. The health and wellness of people in New Bedford is dependent upon our recreational facilities, natural resources, and opportunities. The positive experience of this engagement enriches and strengthens the fabric of our community for today and the future.

Welcome!

Health and Wellness, Conservation and Social Equity

These are the Three Pillars of the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA). These three pillars create a lasting impact in our community by enhancing the quality of life.

Health and Wellness

The connection between access to parks and physical and mental health, youth development, social well-being, and economic vitality is strong according to the NRPA. We are committed to providing engaging programs across the city in our parks and recreational facilities. This spring and summer, sign up for a class at the Recreational Center or in a local park to take part in the many familiar and new programs listed inside.

Conservation

The NRPA states that “Parks and public lands serve an essential role in preserving natural resources and wildlife habitats, protecting clean water and clean air, and providing open space for current and future generations.” Spending time in nature and outdoors provides life-enhancing benefits. Spend the afternoon in a park near you, enjoy the beauty of our beaches on Clark’s Point or discover a nature trail and the diversity of life living in our city’s open spaces.

Social Equity

Essential to the very philosophy of public parks and recreation is the idea that all people have access to safe, beautiful spaces for recreation and programs. In this regard we are blessed as there is a city park within walking distance of your neighborhood.

Interested in learning to swim? We have swimming lessons for children and adults. Want to know more about local park history? Join us at the 2nd Annual Ricketson’s Day at Brooklawn Park. Inside this brochure you will find programs for all interests and opportunities to meet your neighbors and like-minded residents. I look forward to seeing you in a park, at the beach or in a class this spring and summer.

Mary S. Rapoza, Director of Parks Recreation & Beaches

COME CELEBRATE
EARTH DAY
 AT THE BUTTONWOOD PARK ZOO!

There will be interactive stations and activities for families with the theme of sustainable living in mind. Visit our booth and create sculpture with natural materials.



SATURDAY, APRIL 18TH
11AM – 3PM
(Rain Date: Saturday, April 25th)

LOOKING FOR SOMETHING FOR YOUR CHILD TO DO THIS SUMMER?
Try the Kennedy Summer Day Program!

This summer program is an opportunity for children to engage in a variety of sports, games, crafts, and outdoor fun while making new friends.

The Kennedy Summer Day Program operates out of beautiful Fort Taber Park and includes breakfast, lunch and transportation. The program is open to children who are eligible for kindergarten in September of 2015 through the age of fourteen. Call to register or for more information.



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Looking Back



Events

March Madness at the Andrea McCoy Recreation Center.
Stay tuned for basketball tournaments.

March 20th - Open House 5-7pm. Andrea McCoy Recreation Center

April 9th - Spring Egg Hunt

5:30-7:30pm, Custom House Square, William Street

TBA: New England Revolution Academy Free Soccer Clinic

Andrea McCoy Recreation Center

The Buttonwood Park Zoo will be participating in the Association of Zoos & Aquarium's **Party for the Planet and Earth Day**. The event will be held on Saturday, April 18th with a rain date of Saturday, April 25th 11am-3pm.

May 16th - Ricketson Day 10am-3 pm, Brooklawn Park

June 18th - Great Outdoors Day 4-8pm, Buttonwood Park

June 19th - Open House 5-7pm, Andrea McCoy Recreation Center

July 2nd - Summer Food Kick Off 10-2, Clasky Park

July 6th-9th - New England Revolution Academy Summer Player Development Program

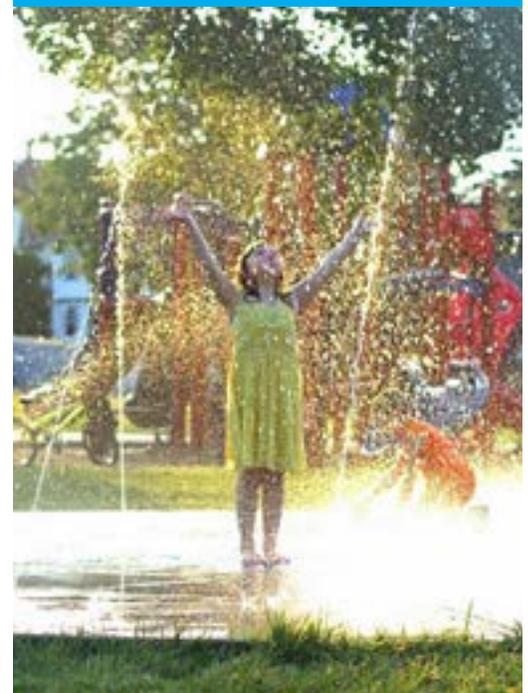
July 7th-Summer Food Kick Off 10-2, Harrington Park

July 9th- Summer Food Kick Off 10-2, Montes Park

August 14th Family Field Day 11-2, Hazelwood Park

**BEAT THE
SUMMER HEAT
AT A
SPRAY
PARK
NEAR YOU!**

**ASHLEY PARK
BEN ROSE FIELD
BROOKLAWN PARK
CLASKY COMMON PARK
HARRINGTON PARK
RIVERSIDE PARK**



Shrink Your Trash, New Bedford!

Recycle clean paper, cardboard, cartons, bottles, cans, jugs, & jars.



RECYCLING IS MANDATORY IN NEW BEDFORD.

Call (508) 979-1493 for more information.

NO PLASTIC BAGS.

They jam the sorting equipment at the recycling plant.

Andrea McCoy Recreation Center

How do I become a member?

If you are a New Bedford resident then your membership to the Andrea McCoy Recreation Center is free.

Come in, fill out a membership form, show proof of address, and if you are under the age of 18, have a parent or guardian sign.

Free Happenings at the Rec!

- Little Ones Play Time, Monday - Wednesday
- Youth Open Gym- daily
- Kids Open Gym - daily
- Low Rim Basketball, Mondays
- Kick Ball
- Dodge ball
- Volleyball
- Adaptive Sports
- Adult Basketball, Ages 16 and older, weekly
- 25 Plus Adult Basketball, Ages 25 and older, Mondays
- Family Open Gym, Saturdays
- Free Family Movie Nights
- Free Indoor Events
- Arts & Crafts - daily
- Games - daily
- Library - daily
- Public Computer Laboratory - daily

Bi-Monthly Movie Nights

4 pm - 6pm

April 11th, 2015

June 13th, 2015

August 8th, 2015

Popcorn \$1 Bottles of water \$1

Looking for a place to host your next function?

The Andrea McCoy Recreation Center is available for rental. Choose our new function room or the gym for your next event. **Call (508) 991- 6298 for more information on availability and rates.**

**Call or visit our
Facebook page
for daily schedules.**

INTERNSHIP AND VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES - Email: India.russell@newbedford-ma.gov

India Russell, Recreation Center Manager

Youth

Anatomy Academy

Attention future doctors! The Anatomy Academy is now in session. We'll delve into the human body's fascinating system of cells, tissues and organs. Create a model of blood, skin and tour the digestive system. Build a working representation of the lungs and make a creepy cool model of the eye. You'll learn you are smarter than you think when we learn all about the brain and how it works.

Session: March 4 – June 19 (Spring)

Ages: 8 -13

Day: Friday

Time: 3pm – 4pm

Total Cost: \$80 member / \$90 non- resident

Superhero Science

What makes a superhero super? Physics! Conduct gravity experiments to learn what it would take for Superman to leap over tall buildings in a single bound. Create optical illusions to understand how Wonder Woman's jet can disappear. Investigate how Spiderman (and real spiders) can walk up walls. Examine Batman's super gadgets that help him fight crime. Morph into the world of superheroes using the science that could make superheros a reality.

Session: March 4 – June 19 (Spring)

Ages: 8-13

Day: Friday

Time: 4pm – 5pm

Total Cost: \$80 member / \$90 non- resident

Water coloring

Learn the principles of composition and color. Indoor and outdoor painting sessions, weather permitting. Students will also get the opportunity to admire the work of great artists while creating their own.

Session: April 4 – May 9 (Spring)

Ages: 10- 15

Day: Saturdays

Time: 11pm -12pm

Total Cost: \$20

Kenpo Karate for Self Defense

Students will learn defensive techniques against grabs, pushes, punches, kicks and holds. This class will be taught by 3rd Degree Black Belt and 2013 Creative Weapons World Champion Donna Bosworth of Dan Donfro's World Class Kenpo Karate Academy.

Sessions: March 31 – June 2 / June 23 – August 25 (Spring/Summer)

Ages: 6 to adult

Day: Tuesdays

Time: 5 pm – 6 pm

Total Cost: \$30 member/ \$40 non-resident per session

Floor Routine Gymnastics

Students will be taught the proper techniques used at the beginning levels of the sport and progress through to more advanced levels.

Sessions: April 2 – June 4 / June 25 – August 27 (Spring/Summer)

Ages: 6 to 12

Day: Thursdays

Time: 5 pm – 6 pm

Total Cost: \$60 member/ \$70 non-resident per session

Leaders Basketball

This advanced clinic is for high school players that want to take their game to the next level. Taught by Loyola University alum and Cape Verde National team star Brian Rudolph.

Sessions: March 30 – June 1 (Spring)

Ages: 14 to 18

Day: Mondays

Time: 4:30 pm – 6 pm

Total Cost: \$60 member/ \$70 non-resident per session

Mural Making

Students will be given the opportunity to express their creativity through a group mural project that will conclude with a ceremony unveiling their work that will be display in the Andrea McCoy Enrichment Center.

Sessions: March 30 – June 1(Spring)

Ages: 10 to adult

Day: Mondays

Time: 4 pm – 5pm

Total Cost: \$20

Zumba® Kids Jr

Perfect for our younger Zumba® fans! Kids 3-6 years old get the chance to be active and jam out to their favorite music.

Sessions: April 4th – June 6th

Ages: 3-6

Day: Saturdays

Time: 11-12pm

Total Cost: \$20 member/\$30 non-resident

Zumba® Kids

Perfect for our younger Zumba® fans! Kids 7-11 years old get the chance to be active and jam out to their favorite music.

Sessions: April 4th – June 6th

Ages: 7-11

Day: Saturdays

Time: 12-1pm

Total Cost: \$20 member/\$30 non-resident

Youth

Youth Instructional Lacrosse Clinics

Girls and Boys

We are hosting lacrosse clinics this summer in partnership with local area coaches. Clinic will focus on fundamentals of lacrosse, catching, throwing, movement and teamwork. Equipment is limited, please call with questions. Participants will be divided by age and skill level.

Ages: 9-16

Day/Time: 5:30pm-7:30pm Buttonwood Park

Summer session: July 1st -August 22nd (8 weeks)

Total Cost: \$35 residents/ \$40 non-residents

New England Revolution Soccer Academy

The Major League Soccer club is partnering with PRB for a soccer academy. Children will receive 8 hours of professional coaching, Revolution Academy T-shirt, Revolution soccer ball, 2 tickets to Revolution Academy Soccer night at Gillette Stadium, on-field participation in Academy Graduation Ceremony at Gillette Stadium, & observation of the Revolution 1st team training.

Ages: 7-14

Date: July 6th - 9th

Time: 5pm-8pm

Location: TBD

Cost: \$135

New Bedford Youth United Summer Basketball League

Join our recreational summer basketball league where youth meet at Buttonwood Park to learn and play the game of basketball. Varied weekdays

Time: 5pm-8pm (Game Schedule will be provided)

Starts: week of July 6th

Total Cost: \$35



NEW BEDFORD Youth Sports Organizations:

**Whaling City Youth
Baseball League**
(508)998-5133

Expo's Soccer Club
(508)837-3520
coachben@exposoccer.com

**South End Youth
Athletic Association**
(508)992-8559
seyaa.baberuthonline.com

Whalers Football
www.whalersyouthfootball.org

**Bay State Girls
Softball League**
(508)998-1470

**New Bedford Bears
Pop Warner
Football/Cheerleading**
newbedfordbearsquestions@
gmail.com

St Michael Youth Soccer
stmichaelyouthsoccerclub.com

New Bedford Resilience
(508)961-3015
InfoPRB@newbedford-ma.gov

Resilience Youth Lacrosse Team

Join the Resilience Lacrosse Team in its premier season. This team will be competing in the Mass Bay Youth Lacrosse League. The team provides a fun, healthy, and educational experience. Children will engage in a sport that has grown tremendously across the country building skills and confidence.

Ages: Born on after 9/1/2003

Date: Seasons length

Time: TBD

Location: Lot 13Feild

Cost: \$95

Greater New Bedford Youth Mile

The youth mile is a run to promote healthy habits for students K-8 in the Greater New Bedford area, sponsored by the Greater New Bedford Track Club. Participants will run 1 mile on the Andrea McCoy track and will be split into heats according to their age group (Kindergarten, Grades 1-3, 4-6, and 7-8). The day will also host track and field workshops by local high school athletes. This event is FREE! Please contact our office with questions.

Adult

“Get Fit” All Levels Boot Camp Fitness

This course will consist of a variety of different exercises and traditional movements. The primary goals of this class are to get a great overall workout, learn more about fitness, and to have fun in a challenging but rewarding environment.

Sessions: April 1 – June 17 / June 24 – September 9 (Spring/Summer)

Ages: 16 to adult

Day: Wednesdays

Time: 6 pm – 7 pm

Total Cost: \$30 member/ \$40 non-resident per session

Yoga for Life

This program is designed for adults (ages 16+) of all fitness levels to increase flexibility, muscle strength, stamina, and lung capacity. Through Yoga postures, breathing exercises, and meditation techniques, participants will over time see an overall improvement in physical fitness and an improvement in mental clarity and focus.

Sessions: March 31 – June 16 / June 23 – September 8 (Spring/Summer)

Ages: 16 to adult

Day: Tuesdays

Time: 6:30 pm – 8 pm

Total Cost: \$30 member/ \$40 non-resident per session

Pilates

Each 60 minute class teaches the essential level Pilates repertoire using various Pilates routines; The workout will strengthen the core, develop leaner, longer-looking muscles and heighten mind-body awareness using a variety of equipment.

Sessions: June 25 – September 10 (Summer)

Ages: 16 to adult

Day: Thursdays

Time: 5 pm – 6 pm

Total Cost: \$30 member/ \$40 non-resident per session

ONE YEAR TO A NEW YOU!

Take any (5) fitness classes offered at the Andrea McCoy Recreation Center for only \$120.

These are for any classes we offer and you have a full year to use them!

Total Cost: \$120

**All 5 classes must be taken within the following 4 seasons after purchase and cannot be extended, refunded, or transferred to another person.*



Zumba TM!

Are you ready to party yourself into shape? That's exactly what the Zumba program is all about. It's an exhilarating, effective, easy-to-follow, calorie-burning, Latin-inspired, dance-fitness party! The red-hot international music and contagious steps come together to form a class that is downright addictive. Sneakers are required.

Tuesdays or Thursdays

Tuesday Sessions: March 31 – June 16 / June 23 – September 8 (Spring / Summer)

Ages: 16 to adult

Day: Tuesdays

Time: 7:30 pm – 8:30 pm

Total Cost: \$30 member/ \$40 non-resident per session

Thursday Sessions: April 4 – June 20 / June 25 – September 10 (Spring / Summer)

Ages: 16 to adult

Day: Thursdays

Time: 7 pm – 8 pm

Total Cost: \$30 member/ \$40 non-resident per session

Butts and Guts

This course will train and tighten all regions of the lower body and core. This high energy class will focus on these regions through use of body resistance and light weights while incorporating cardio intervals to build stamina and endurance.

Sessions: March 30 – June 15 / June 22 – September 7 (Spring / Summer)

Ages: 16 to adult

Day: Mondays

Time: 7 pm – 8 pm

Total Cost: \$30 member/ \$40 non-resident per session

Adult



Walk with Ease

The Arthritis Foundation Walk with Ease Program is an exercise program that can reduce pain and improve overall health. If you can be on your feet for 10 minutes without increased pain, you can have success with Walk with Ease.

Starting April 14th

Tuesday 9 am, Brooklawn Park
Community Center

Total Cost: Free! All ages welcome!

Adult Tennis Under the Lights

Open court nights at the Andrea McCoy Athletic Complex located on Hunter St. in New Bedford, MA. Courts will be lit from 7:30pm-9:30pm for players of all skill levels.

Tuesdays and Thursdays starting June 24th

Tennis Courts located off of Hunter St

Adjacent to the complex

Adult Beach Volleyball League

Have fun and exercise in the sun with this great beach sport! League will consist of recreational co-ed 4on4 division. Traditional beach volleyball rules; on the courts at East Beach.

Ages: 16+

Length: 8 weeks (6 week reg. season; 2 weeks of playoffs)

Day/Time: Mens/Ladies Weds Nights 6 pm; coed 4on4 Thurs. Nights 5:30pm

Total Cost: \$25/ person

Senior

Chair Yoga- Andrea McCoy Recreation Center

Senior Yoga provides older adults an opportunity to become active in their community while improving their strength, flexibility and overall mobility. Our Senior/Chair Yoga class is designed to meet the specific needs of seniors and is structured to benefit everyone at any level of health and fitness.

This affordable class will include a combination of stretching and breathing exercises designed to relieve stress, calm the mind and increase agility, mobility, balance and body awareness. The Yoga poses used are traditional poses adapted for senior adults and are done either standing or seated. Chairs and props are provided to keep everyone safe and supported. There is no need to bring a Yoga mat.

Sessions: March 30 - June 1 / June 22 - August 24 (Spring/Summer)

Ages: Designed for 55+; 16 and older

Day: Mondays

Time: 11 am - 12 pm

Total Cost: \$25 member/ \$35 non-resident per session

Council on Aging

181 Hillman Street, Bldg #9

508-991-6250

508-979-1514 Fax

Hours Monday- Friday 8:00 am- 4:00 pm

Photo ID's

Monday- Friday 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

If you need another accommodation time,

please call 508-991-6250

Medical Transportation

508-991-6271

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508-991-6250

Boston Medical Transportation

508-991-6253

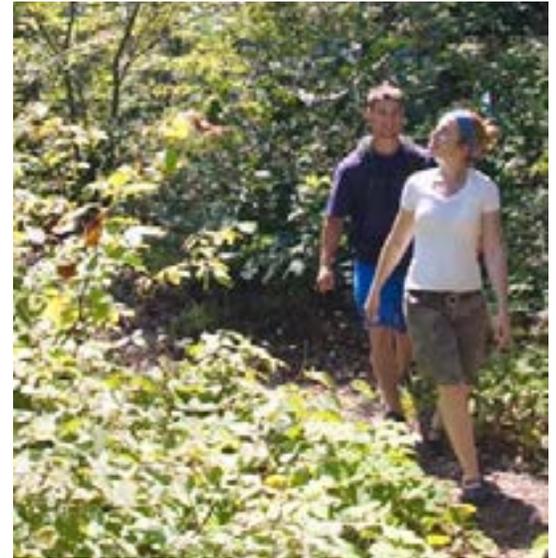
Personal Transportation

508-979-4882

Paths and Trails

Discover New Bedford and stay fit on our bicycle and walking paths or exploring a city nature trail.

Join the many folks who daily walk the paths around parks throughout the city. This is a great way to stay fit in the great outdoors right in your neighborhood. Walking has many health benefits and is easy to do requiring no special equipment.



The New Bedford Bike Committee bicycle tourism map has all the current bike lanes, and racks and the various attractions nearby in New Bedford.

The New Bedford Bike Committee is a community organization that advocates and increases awareness for bicyclists in the city of New Bedford who use their bike for transportation and recreational activities. They hope to connect all of New Bedford by bike, allowing for a safe and enjoyable mode of transportation. Become a bicycling advocate and attend monthly meetings every third Wednesday from 6 - 7pm. Locations vary throughout the city but are posted on Facebook at www.facebook.com/NewBedfordBicycleCommittee. The New Bedford Bike Committee also hosts group fitness rides the 4th Wednesday of the month with varying routes. All levels are welcome and all routes are posted on Facebook.

Explore our great Nature Trails this spring and summer right here in the City of New Bedford!

Kids love to explore nature and find it fascinating if given the opportunity. Wildlife can be found all around if you are observant. Use your five senses to discover new habitats. Observe the change in seasons up close as you hike the trails and become familiar with the plants and animals that live there. The **Flora B. Pierce Trail** off New Plainville Rd. was adopted this summer by the Trustees of Reservation's Youth Corp. They added boardwalks and cleared trails to enhance your experience. Boy Scout Troop 70 of New Bedford adopted the **Ricketson Nature Trails** at Brooklawn Park to improve these new urban Nature Trails.

New Bedford Events

AHA!

Join us for hands on fun Every 2nd Thursday of the month at AHA! (Art, History and Architecture) Free arts and culture celebration from 5-9pm, Downtown.

www.ahanewbedford.org

March 12, 2015	Hand To Hand
April 9, 2015	Sustainable SouthCoast
May 14, 2015	We Art NB
June 11, 2015	Latitude & Longitude
July 9, 2015	Kids Rule
August 13, 2015	Dancing In The Streets
September 10, 2015	Festa, Fiesta, Fete: Celebrate NB Cultures

March 1 Ireland 5K

Celebrate March the Irish way! Fun 5k in downtown New Bedford. <http://www.thesightings.com/event/ireland5k/>

March 15 The New Bedford Half Marathon

The annual 13.1 mile race kicks off at 11am in Downtown NB. The event is hosted by the Friendly Sons of St. Patrick and with enthusiastic support and assistance from the City of New Bedford. For more information on registration, map & accommodations visit: www.newbedfordhalfmarathon.com

May 17 Taste of SouthCoast

12- 5pm, Pier 3, New Bedford Waterfront

This family-friendly event features SouthCoast restaurants, caterers, and bakeries serving up sample size portions of their signature dishes. Local beer and wine will be available. Ticket price includes the tasting & music by a local band. Free children's activities. www.downtownnb.org

June 12-14 New Bedford Day of Portugal

Enjoy the sights, sounds and taste of Portuguese culture at the International Market Place on Acushnet Ave.

www.nb-dayofportugal.com/festival

July 4 Fourth of July Fireworks Spectacular

Presented by the City of New Bedford on State Pier

July 4 42nd Cape Verdean Recognition Parade

A celebration of Cape Verdean culture

www.cvcinc.org



July 4 and 5 New Bedford Folk Festival

The New Bedford Folk Festival features traditional, contemporary, Americana, Celtic, British Isles, Blues and Bluegrass folk musicians from around the U. S. and the world with seven festival stages. Concerts, two dozen music workshops with multiple performers and groups on stage to create music extravaganzas. Enjoy the more than 90 national and international artisan crafts and food offerings including New Bedford seafood.

www.newbedfordfolkfestival.com

July 10 -12 Fort Rodman Pirate Invasion

1st annual event featuring tall ships, cannons, and local pirate lore plus lots of pirates on hand.

July 16 Downtown 50s Night

Music, classic cars, and lots of fun.

July 30 - August 2 Portuguese Feast of the Blessed Sacrament

Largest Portuguese feast in the world celebrating over a century in existence. Music on multiple stages, food, and culture.

August 7-9 Buzzards Bay Regatta

June - August: Custom House Square Movie Night and Summer Sound Series

outdoor entertainment in Downtown New Bedford and the Waterfront (check www.DestinationNewBedford.org for information and schedule of events)

Beaches

Spend some time in the sand!

Enjoy New Bedford's public beaches on scenic Clark's Point. Beaches are guarded by a professional waterfront team from the last weekend in June through Labor Day weekend. Come on down and enjoy the sand, the sun, and all of the fun!

FREE Swim Lessons

Our waterfront staff will be offering swimming lessons at Fort Taber Beach starting July 6th through August 21st. Lessons will be offered for both youth and adult beginner swimmers.

Pre-registration is required, call us for times and dates.

East Beach (East Rodney French Blvd.)

New Bedford is blessed with clean, safe, family friendly beaches. Come and enjoy the sparkling waters and sun bathe on the sandy shores at East Beach which is also home to our new improved beach volleyball courts as well as the newly formed Adult Recreation Beach Volleyball League.

West Beach (West Rodney French Blvd.)

West Beach is a swimmers paradise with a fully accessible pavilion providing shade, cool breezes, beautiful sunsets and a fully accessible bathhouse.

Beach at Fort Taber Park

Fort Taber beach boasts sweeping views of New Bedford Harbor on the backdrop of historic, beautiful Fort Taber Park. Sit with your toes in the sand or take a walk throughout the park to enjoy the incoming boats from our working waterfront, the wide-array of wildlife, and the park's historic nature. Fort Taber is home to many special events throughout the season.

Beach Parking Program

Throughout the summer the City of New Bedford hosts a beach parking program at West, East and Fort Taber Beaches. The program requires residents and non-residents to acquire a seasonal parking pass or pay a daily rate for parking. Daily parking permits can be acquired on site during the season.

SEASONAL PASSES ARE AVAILABLE AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS:

**Parks Recreation and Beaches
Administrative Offices
181 Hillman St.
New Bedford, MA 02740**

**City Clerk's Office
133 Williams St.
New Bedford, Ma 02740**

Take a stroll in one of the City's many Beautiful Parks



Fort Rodman/Taber Park

Located on S. Rodney French Blvd.

A 50-acre waterfront park that provides over a mile of ocean frontage located on scenic Clark's Point which projects into Buzzards Bay. The park incorporates historical landmarks, offers many amenities and various opportunities for passive and active recreation. The centerpiece of the park is the historic Fort Rodman, built between 1857 and 1871 as part of the nation's sea coast defense system. The fort is features interpretive signage and a military museum. There is over one mile of walking, jogging or biking paths, natural areas, a beach for bathing, a pier for fishing, a playground, community boating, a youth summer camp, and picnic areas offering panoramic views. The park is handicap accessible. A large multi-purpose lawn allows for cultural programming, such as military reenactments and public concerts.



Hazelwood Park

Located on Brock Ave.

Hazelwood Park is a 23-acre park located on Clark's Point, overlooking scenic Clark's Cove. The park is offers both passive and active recreation areas. There is a historic bowling green, tennis courts, basketball courts, a playground, picnic areas, and a gazebo. The park hosts many entertainment functions throughout the year. Public beaches and a historic bath-house and pavilion are located across the Boulevard at the bottom of the park. It contains groves, expansive lawns, and three historic structures, one of which has been rehabilitated for use as a Community Center. The park, the bath houses, and pavilion make up the Hazelwood Park National Historic Register District.



Buttonwood Park

Located on Rockdale Ave.

This 97 acre multi-use park was initially planned in the 1890's by Charles Eliot of the famous landscape architectural firm of Olmstead, Olmstead and Eliot. Comprised of both active and passive recreation areas; with forest, fields and a large pond, it is also home to one of the finest small zoos in the country. Retaining its historic landscapes, the park is a National Historic Register District, and has evolved to meet the needs of the community; with ball fields, tennis courts, a universal accessible playground, a Community Center, library, and walking paths. The brand new basketball courts are a major attraction.



Brooklawn Park

Located on Acushnet Ave.

This 85 acre park is a multi-use complex with baseball and softball fields, basketball and tennis courts, a skate park, playground, splash-pad, and nature trails. In an effort to remove himself from the bustle of the city's center, the prominent New Bedford Quaker, Daniel Ricketson built a country estate in what is now Brooklawn Park. Literary greats, such as Henry David Thoreau and Ralph Waldo Emerson, often visited Ricketson at his estate. Responding to the needs of a rapidly growing population due to the success of the textile industry, this land became a city park at the end of the 19th century.



**CITY OF NEW BEDFORD
PARKS, RECREATION & BEACHES
Membership and Program Registration**



*Please complete all information requested on the registration form.
Only Parent or Legal Guardian can sign for their child.*

First Name*	Last Name*	Date of Birth
Gender circle one* Male Female	Phone*	
Address*	City*	State* Zip Code*
School	Allergies (Environmental/Medical)	
Other Physical / Medical Needs		

The following statistical information is used for grant purposes only and all individual information provided will remain anonymous.

Head of Household (Emergency Contact 1)	Gender circle one	Male	Female	Relationship to Applicant
Phone				
Address*	City*	State*	Zip Code*	
Emergency Contact 2	Relationship	Phone		

Income Level	1 person	2 person	3 person	4 person	5 person	6 person	7 person	8 person
Extremely Low Income	0-12,550	0-15,730	0-19,790	0-23,850	0-27,910	0-31,970	0-36,030	0-39,350
Very Low Income	12,551-20,900	15,731-23,850	19,791-26,850	23,851-29,800	27,911-32,200	31,971-34,600	36,031-37,000	39,351-39,350
Low Income	20,901-33,400	23,851-38,200	26,851-42,950	29,801-47,700	32,201-51,550	34,601-55,350	37,001-59,150	39,351-63,000
Over Income	33,401- over	38,201- over	42,951- over	47,701- over	51,551- over	55,350- over	59,151- over	63,001- over

Income Limits required by the U.S. Dept. of Housing & Urban Development – please circle one.

Ethnicity: (select one only) Hispanic or Latino Not Hispanic or Latino

Race: (select one)

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|---|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> White | <input type="checkbox"/> Asian & White | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: (select all that apply) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Black /African American | <input type="checkbox"/> Black/African American & White | <input type="checkbox"/> Seniors (62 years or older) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Asian | <input type="checkbox"/> Am. Indian/Alaskan Native & Black/African Am | <input type="checkbox"/> Handicapped or Disabled |
| <input type="checkbox"/> American Indian/Alaskan Native | <input type="checkbox"/> Other Multi-Racial | <input type="checkbox"/> Female Head of Household |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander | <input type="checkbox"/> Asian/Pacific Islander | <input type="checkbox"/> Minors (up to age 18) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> American Indian/Alaskan Native & White | | |

<u>Class Name</u>	<u>Name of Participant</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Total		\$

Waiver: In consideration of this application and/or the right to participate in this activity, I or my child, release the City of New Bedford, its employees, agents, representatives, and other persons or organizations for whose conduct the City may be responsible from any and all liability, loss damage, costs, claims and/or causes of action, including but not limited to all bodily injury claims and property damage resulting from or arising out of the use of premises, facilities, or equipment of the City of New Bedford, and/or caused in any way by the City of New Bedford, its employees, agents, representatives, and other persons or organizations for whose conduct the City may be responsible. I and/or my child are in the necessary physical condition to participate in the registered activity. I authorize the staff to seek emergency medical care on my behalf or on behalf of child if needed. I will assume all costs associated with any such treatment. I have been informed of the program's policies, including the refund policy, if applicable. I fully understand this waiver and voluntarily accept its terms. I certify, under the penalties of law, this information is correct and I understand that the information I have provided on my family income is subject to verification by authorized representatives of the City of New Bedford Office of Housing and Community Development, and the U.S. Dept of Housing and Urban Development. This information will be kept confidential and used for funding monitoring purposes only.

Parent/Guardian Signature * : _____ **Date:** _____

Office Use Only Below This Line

Notes:

Residency Verification: D.L. ____ State I.D. ____ School I.D. ____ Other (specify) _____

(*) Denotes required fields for present members. Non-members must complete the entire form.

Policies and General Information

Program Registration

Registrations will be accepted until the program is full prior to the start date. All forms must be filled out completely or they will not be accepted.

Program Age Requirements

Participants must be of noted age or grade by the first day of the program in which they are enrolled.

Payment

For programs that have a fee associated the payment is due at the time of registration, acceptable form of payment is a check or money order made payable to CITY OF NEW BEDFORD. A fee of \$25 will be charged to any check returned for insufficient funds. No new registration of programming will be allowed until the \$25 fee is paid.

Program Course Confirmation

No confirmations are sent out. A participant is registered only when payment is received, unless the department notifies you otherwise.. We will only notify you if there are any problems.

Refunds

All programs are non-refundable, unless the department cancels a program.

Non-Residents

For some programs non-residents may register if space allows.

Additional fees will be charged.

Personal Belongings

Please do not bring any valuables, toys or games to our programs. The department is not responsible for lost or stolen items. To be safe, leave articles at home unless necessary for the program.

Photo Policy...Smile ☺

New Bedford Parks, Recreation & Beaches and/or press take pictures and video on occasion of participants for publicity purposes and for local cable. If you don't want to have your child photographed, please let us know.

Additional Parent/Guardian Responsibilities

It is the responsibility of the parent/guardian to notify the Parks, Recreation & Beaches office if there are any orders, ie. restraining, no contact, etc. currently issued. Your child's safety is of the utmost importance to us.

If your child is walking or using public transportation to or from our programs please notify us. Additional permission slip may need to be on file.

Participants who continually exhibit behavioral and /or discipline problems will be subject to suspension and /or termination from the program. Please review the Participants Responsibilities for more information.

Participants Responsibility

We ask that all participants respect the staff, other participants, age requirements, and the equipment. Please refrain from causing bodily harm to others and from using foul language. Additional rules will be announced at each program. Youth programs require the same code of conduct as is expected during school hours. If a participant fails to cooperate with the rules, the Director reserves the right to dismiss or suspend a participant in any program without a refund of fees.

New Bedford Parks, Recreation & Beaches is not a day care, after-school care program or babysitting service. Please read and understand the policies. If they are unclear to you, please ask

questions. ALL participants must pre-register for ALL programs. Please be on time dropping off and picking up children from their programs. Failure to do so will result in additional cost penalties or suspension from programming.

Weather Cancellations

When city offices are closed due emergencies or weather conditions, all Recreation Department programming will be cancelled for the entire day. If a storm develops later in the day please call the Parks, Recreation & Beaches office for an update.

Special Needs & Medication

Children and adults with special needs are encouraged to participate in recreation programs. Staff members are sensitive to your needs and will do everything possible to assist you. If you are interested in participating in a program, please contact the office to discuss to program details and accommodations necessary for the success of your child's participation.

Please review the medication policy for summer day program if applicable.

Program Policies

All programs are offered to New Bedford residents on a first come, first serve basis. New Bedford Parks, Recreation & Beaches reserves the right to cancel or consolidate any program that does not meet the minimum participation registration numbers. Remember nothing terminates a program faster than waiting until the last minute to register. Avoid disappointment and register promptly.

Carefully read each program description you are interested in to see specific rules and regulations regarding your desired program.

Internet Usage Policy

The New Bedford Parks, Recreations and Beaches only provide access to the internet. The department cannot control and is not able to monitor any information on the Internet for either content or accuracy. The user is the ultimate judge of appropriateness, usefulness and value of all material accessed. In the case of minors, this responsibility rests with their parents or legal guardians. The New Bedford Parks, Recreations & Beaches are not responsible for any negative consequences that may occur as a result of the recreation center internet connection. In the case that the internet is being used inappropriately, the user will receive three warnings before their rights to usage and membership are revoked.

Reserve Your Event!

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Birthday Parties
Work/Company Events
Conferences
Family Reunions
Much more!*

Please call to inquire about any and all of our locations for any rental.
The city has some of the best locations and best rates around!

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BUTTONWOOD PARK COMMUNITY CENTER
BROOKLAWN PARK COMMUNITY CENTER
ANDREA MCCOY RECREATION CENTER
MANY OTHER LOCATIONS!**



**Call PRB - (508) 961-3015
or email alex.bettencourt@newbedford-ma.gov**

Give the Gift of Fun and Fitness with a **Gift Certificate** OR **Sponsorship** to one of our programs!!

★ **GIFT CERTIFICATE** ★

TO: _____

FROM: _____

*Thank you in advance
for helping to promote
Fun and Fitness!*

★ **SPONSORSHIP** ★

TO: _____

FROM: _____

A Gift Certificate can be given to a son, niece, grandchild or neighbor as a great gift of an experience that they can enjoy and build on. You will receive a Gift Card for you to give to the recipient.

A Sponsorship is a Gift to a child in need in our City. We will select a child for you who could not attend class without your help. You can choose the class or allow the receiving child to choose it themselves.

Our Sponsorship Program allows children in need of financial aid to participate in Andrea McCoy activities and afterschool programming. With your donation, we will access the needs of our applicants and reward the sponsorship for you. You may donate towards a specific class, or allow the recipient to choose. No contribution is too small. Start investing in our future today.

**Do you love New Bedford's great outdoor spaces?
Are you interested in promoting recreational activities?
Do you have a skill such as birding or orienteering that would help us bring nature studies to New Bedford?**

We have volunteer opportunities for youth and adults to: keep our parks clean and safe, promote and facilitate recreational and nature programs, and more.

**For more Information contact the PRB Offices at
(508) 961-3015 or infopr@newbedford-ma.gov**

The Andrea McCoy Recreation Center is a lender of the MassParks Pass, available to residents of New Bedford. The park pass entitles the bearer to free parking for one vehicle (excluding buses or vans) at over 50 facilities in Massachusetts state parks system that charge a day-use parking fee.



The pass must be returned to the Andrea McCoy Recreations Center within 24 hours of use. If the pass is stolen or lost, the borrower is responsible for replacing the tag.

In order to borrow the pass, the individual borrowing must complete a membership form and show proof of residence. For more information about the mass facilities, visit www.mass.gov/dcr.



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