



WINTHROP WEEKLY

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE TOWN OF WINTHROP

November 21, 2024

TOWN OF WINTHROP PUBLIC CALENDAR

All meetings and agendas are posted up to 48 hours in advance. Click on meeting information below to read posted agendas.

Climate Commission

November 25, 2024, 6:00 PM
Harvey Hearing Room
[More Details](#)

Winthrop Housing Authority

November 25, 2024, 7:00 PM
Winthrop Housing Authority
[More Details](#)

Winthrop Cultural Council

November 26, 2024, 7:00 PM
E. B. Newton School & Cultural Center
[More Details](#)

Winthrop residents can easily access *public meeting schedules and agendas with one click!* Simply go to www.winthropma.gov

GIFTS FOR FIRST 50 TO ENTER!!

CLASS OF 2026 PRESENTS

Country fair!

NOVEMBER 21ST

ST MICHAEL'S GYMNASIUM | DOORS OPEN AT 5:30 PM

\$5 ENTRY FEE

A NIGHT FULL OF RAFFLES AND LUCK!

ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE WHS CLASS OF 2026

RAFFLES, 50/50, DOOR PRIZE, TURKEY GIVEAWAY!!

2025

Resident Parking Stickers / Visitor Placard

ONLY AVAILABLE ONLINE

Order Today and Receive Before the New Year

[Scan on phone](#)



OR

1. Go to <https://epay.cityhallsystems.com/selection>
2. Enter "Winthrop MA" in the Municipality field and select View/Pay bills
3. Scroll down under "Select Your Bill" and select "Resident Stickers"
4. Then select "2025 Resident Sticker"
5. On the next screen scroll down to the bottom and select your Street and Street Number
6. Next fill in all of the required fields and payment if required (65ys and up / handicap are Free)
7. Select "Add to Cart" and complete the Checkout process

Town of Winthrop Curbside Leaf-Green Waste Collection

Saturday, November 23, and December 14, 2024

Capitol Waste will go throughout the entire Town for pickup. Leaf Bags/Bins must be on the curb by 7 am

What is "Green Waste"?

Green waste includes grass, leaves, vines, hedge trimmings, and small to medium size branches. Root balls and branches over three inches are not accepted. Grass, leaves, vines, and hedge trimmings need to be in brown bags or unbagged in a bin. It is not necessary to purchase special compost bags to participate in the program. It is essential that other wastes, such as rocks, plastic, construction material, trash, or animal waste do not mix with green waste.

Missed pick up? Call Capitol Waste 617-569-1718





How can we make our community healthier?

With you, to start!

The Winthrop Community Equity Health Needs Assessment aims to help us understand the biggest health needs of our community, and what we can do to meet those needs.

TAKE THE SURVEY:



(It only takes 15 minutes!)

Or, go to this link: https://winthropma.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_2uzkFgzDQEhihBY

Saint Michael the Archangel Parish

presents

A CHARLIE BROWN CHRISTMAS



Saturday
Nov. 23
5:00 & 6:00 PM

Sunday
Nov. 24
1:00 & 2:00 PM

Saint John the Evangelist Church Lower Hall
Free Admission

Victoria Connolly
Katerina Dalton
Leo Dalton
Mackenzie Evans

Connor Gaynor
Ellen Gaynor
Ana Sofia Gonzalez Hellwig

Featuring:

Aiden Mansfield
Francesca Mazzone
James Mazzone
Flynn McClelland

Tessa O'Toole
Alex Synnott
Grace Turco



REMINDER Trash & Recycling Collection Delay

No collection on Thanksgiving Day,
Thursday, November 28, 2024

All trash and recycling
collection will be
delayed by one day
AFTER the 28th for the
rest of the week.



33RD ANNUAL HOLIDAY LIGHTING

Join us in Winthrop Center...

MUSIC ★ LIVE PERFORMANCES ★ FAMILY ACTIVITIES
FUN CHARACTERS ★ PHOTOS WITH SANTA

NOVEMBER 29, 2024

4:00-6:00

WINTHROP CENTER ★ FRENCH SQUARE

Holiday Overflow Collection Thanksgiving & Christmas 2023 New Year's Day 2024



On the first scheduled curbside collection immediately following the recognized holiday only, each unit in a 1-3-unit dwelling can place one (1) bin of overflow trash curbside for collection, in a lidded container provided by the resident, without the purchase of The Town of Winthrop overflow bags. Any overflow beyond the one permitted bin will need to be in the Town of Winthrop PAYT Overflow Bags and placed on the curb in a bin with a closed lid for collection. Questions? Call 617-846-1341 x 2609



Photos with
Santa

4:00-5:00



IMPORTANT

Message from The Department of Public Works
Solid Waste & Recyclings Department
Please add your house number and street
name to your trash and recycling bins.
Thank you.



**Town of Winthrop
Upcoming
Road Work**



**Reconstruction & Related Work along
Winthrop Street & Revere Street Corridor**

Project No. 607244-122603
Federal Aid No. CMQ-0036(014)X, STP-0036(014)X, TAP-0036(014)X A. R. BELLI, INC

Week of 11/4/2024

**Drainage work from 269 Revere St to 12 Highland Av
Start test pits for mast arms at the intersection of Crest Av and Revere St**

Week of 11/11/2024

**Test pits for mast arms at the intersection of Winthrop and Main St
Conduit crossings at the intersection of Winthrop and Main St**

Week of 11/18/2024

Conduit crossings at the intersection of Crest Av and Revere St

**Please follow all posted signage in the area.
EXPECT DETOURS AND DELAYS**

Questions? Call the Winthrop DPW at 617-846-1341.

Flu Vaccine Clinics

(Registration Encouraged)



**TUESDAYS
9:00AM-5:00PM**



Winthrop Public Health
EB Newton Building
45 Pauline Street, 1st FL

OFFERING TO AGES 2+



FLU MIST



REGULAR DOSE



HIGH DOSE

Contact Us

(617) 539-6837



Winthrop Department of Public
Health & Clinical Services

<https://tinyurl.com/WWTArchTour>



Winthrop Architectural Walking Tour

Date: November 24th
Start Time: 1:00 pm
Duration: 2 Hours Maximum

Approximately 1.5 miles in
distance, ending at the center



- Learn about different types of architecture
- See the various styles of residential dwellings in our community
- Gain knowledge and understanding of architectural design

"Tour sponsored by Winthrop Working Together"
www.winthroptogether.org

COME SUPPORT WHS GIRLS BASKETBALL BOOSTERS!

GIRLS BASKETBALL

BAKE SALE!

**Saturday, November 23rd
9AM-12PM
French Square
Winthrop, MA 02152**

COME SUPPORT!

SIT AND SEW

**NOVEMBER 23, 2024
10:30 A.M. TO NOON**

Scrunchie time with holiday fabrics
and as always bring your projects!

**Winthrop Public Library
Hazlett Room**

Two Metcalf Square, Winthrop, MA
Join in an informal sewing,
knitting, crochet,
embroidery, circle

YOU CAN BE A TV PRODUCER



Sign up for the next video production class at WCAT.
Learn Digital Camera Operation, Video Editing,
Sound board, Lighting, Green Screen and more!

CALL MIKE AT WCAT 617-846-3400

Happy Fall! Welcome to Leaf Season!

- Leaves that get washed down the storm drain cause pollution in our waterways.
- Leaves clog storm drains and contribute to localized flooding.
- Leaves can make for slippery roads.

How can you help? Keep fallen leaves out of the streets and never place leaves into the street. Pick up leaves in your yard, along your sidewalk, and in the curb line in front of your home or business. Bring your bagged leaves to the Transfer Station to compost. As a reminder, NO leaves or yard waste is permitted in curbside trash collection per the MassDEP.



PUBLIC SKATE

Public Skating at the rink begins Sunday October 13th.
Every Sunday 12:40 to 1:50pm for \$3.



FIRST CHURCH OF WINTHROP UNITED METHODIST

217 Winthrop Street, Winthrop, MA 02152

Holiday Fair

Saturday, November 23rd 9:00 am – 1:00 pm

Gift Baskets

Christmas Decorations

Gift Items, Jewelry, Baked Goods, Plants, Books

&

MORE...

**Hot Dogs & Grill Cheese Lunches
will be available for purchase!**

Winthrop Chamber of Commerce Memory Star Dedication

Dedicate a Star

DEDICATE A STAR TO A LOVED ONE TO BE HUNG ON THE HOLIDAY TREE IN FRENCH SQUARE.



CONTACT NAME _____
DEDICATED TO _____
PAYMENT ___ CHECK ___ CASH ___ CC ___
CREDIT CARD # _____ CODE ___ EXP DATE _____
CHECK NUMBER _____

Contact the Chamber of Commerce for more information at (617) 846-9898 or visit the following Links for Stars:

[Dedicate a New Star](#)

[Re-Dedicate a Star from Last Year](#)

**Town of Winthrop
Pay-as-You-Throw
Overflow Bags
are available at the following
locations:**



**Cumberland Farms, 7/11, T & T
Convenience, Quick Food Mart,
D&T Convenience, Town Hall,
and the DPW.
Sold in a roll of 5 bags for \$15**

Stay informed of all town notifications:



Sign up for Code
Red & the
Town Manager's
Blog
Town Website
Facebook

**Contact the Town Manager's Office
(617) 846-1705**

email: townmanager@winthropma.gov

**Green Waste/Yard Waste
Transfer Station Information**



Open:
April 6th-December 7th, 2024
Hours:
Fridays: 9a-12p and 3a-6p
Saturdays: 9a-12p and 1p-3p

What is Green Waste? Green waste is yard waste which is banned from regular trash collection. This waste includes grass, leaves, vines, hedge trimmings, and small to medium-sized branches under 3" in diameter. Root balls and branches over three inches are not accepted. Other wastes, such as rocks, plastic, construction material, trash, or animal waste cannot be mixed with green waste.



NEED HELP PAYING YOUR HEATING BILLS?

Apply in person at the Chelsea Senior Center on 11/19/24 & 12/10/24!

CAPIC's Fuel Assistance Program will be accepting applications in person for the 2024-2025 season at our satellite site at the Chelsea Senior Center, located at 10 Riley Way, Chelsea.

A bi-lingual Fuel Assistance Program staff member will be available from 9:30am to 1:00pm to assist with applications.



The program assists households in paying heating bills from November 2024 to April 2025 and is open to tenants as well as homeowners, whose income is within 60% of the state median income. Heat may be oil, propane, kerosene, gas or electric. For more information please call 617-884-6130.

FREE TO APPLY!



**St. John's Episcopal Church
222 Bowdoin St. Winthrop**

**SNOWFLAKE FAIR
Sat. December 7th 10-2pm**

Live Wreaths, Swags & Gift Baskets

Crochet & Quilted Handmade Gifts

**Homebaked Holiday Treats,
Cookies & Dinners-To-Go**

Beautiful Jewelry & Raffles

**Lobster Lunches,
Chowder & more
served for lunch**



**To Reserve your Generous Lobster Roll, Bag of Chips
& Triple-Chocolate Brownie for only \$20:
Call or Text the Church by Wed. Dec.4th
@ 617-846-2363 and leave a message**

WINTHROP COUNCIL ON AGING

SENIOR VAN



The Senior Van runs Monday - Thursday from 8:45am to 3pm. Reservations must be made at least 2 weekdays in advance of your trip.

Medical rides will be prioritized. A full list of destinations and pricing is available on our website and in our newsletter.

To schedule a ride, call the Senior Center at: 617-846-8538.

*Free Winthrop van rides are limited to two roundtrip rides per day.

Destination	Round Trip
Local (Winthrop Area)	FREE*
Revere MGH (Beach)	\$5
Stop & Shop	\$5
Beth Israel (Chelsea)	\$7
East Boston Neighborhood Health Center	\$7
Revere MGH (Broadway)	\$7
Chelsea MGH/Market Basket (Chelsea)	\$8

Thrift Shop Dates - 2024

First Church of Winthrop United Methodist
217 Winthrop Street - Back Entrance
Time: 10:00 am - 1:00 PM



2nd and 4th Thursday and Saturday of month
Women's, Men's, and Children's Clothing

Biohazard Waste Sharps Disposal

Includes Needles, Syringes, Lancets, or any other medical waste sharps item.

Walk In & Drop Off

Winthrop Public Health
45 Pauline Street, 1st FL
617-539-5937



Amy's Breakfast with Santa

Great food, raffles, take photos with Santa

For tickets, write name and how many
Text: Kathy Hubert 617-981-3866
Venmo: Ellen-baxter-2 |

Donations of any kind appreciated. Benefiting St Michael's youth ministry (with a portion donated to Amy's Washington DC fund to ensure no child is left behind).

Proceeds benefit St Michael's Youth Ministry and Amy's Washington DC fund

Tickets \$5
Age 2 and under are free

Sunday, December 8
After 10 a.m. Mass

St. Michael's Lincoln Street Entrance
St. Michael the Archangel Parish
320 Winthrop Street
Winthrop, MA 02152

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Joy and Peace on Earth

Art Market and Exhibit - December 1 and 14, 2024, 10:00-2:00

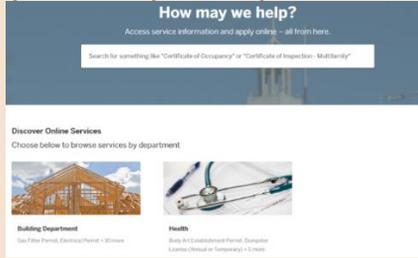
Exhibit Only Through January
Gallery Hours: Thursdays 1:30-4:00
Saturdays 1:00-3:00 December 7 and 21, January 4 and 18

The Clock Tower Gallery
E.B. Newton Cultural Center
45 Pauline Street, Winthrop MA
617-721-9162

APPLY FOR PERMITS ONLINE

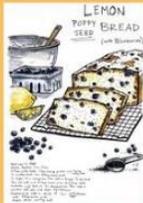
The Town of Winthrop has partnered with Open GOV to drive efficiency for staff and improve the quality and convenience of services for community members with technology that automates permitting and licensing approvals processes, allows for online inspections management, and provides a user-friendly online portal for applicants. Residents can now apply for permits, request inspections and access information online from the Building Department and Public Health Departments.

<https://winthropma.viewpointcloud.com/>



WINTHROP PUBLIC LIBRARY AND MUSEUM
2 METCALF SQUARE, WINTHROP, MA

ART EXHIBIT KAITLYN RIPALDI



Illustrator and designer with a focus on fluid watercolor paint and technical micron pen

Exhibit through Jan. 15

Winthrop Library Exhibit Special:

Get 10% off any custom portraits

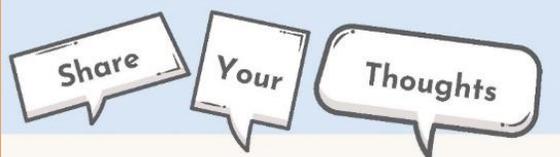
booked between

January and April 2025.

Note Winthrop Library

as your referral.

visit www.yellowleafdesign.com



2024 Needs Assessment

A community survey for adults 60 and older and caregivers

Share Your Opinion

What supports would help you on your aging journey?

What is your community doing well?

What would you like to see more of?

Share your thoughts with Mystic Valley Elder Services and the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs!

Take the Survey Online

Scan the code with your phone's camera or go online to www.bit.ly/2024-needs-survey



 **Mystic Valley**
Elder Services

Winthrop Police Department

Cordially Invites You to Our

HOLIDAY GALA

Where: Winthrop Yacht Club

When: December 7, 2024 7pm

Donation: \$40 per ticket

(Table of 8 \$300)



Purchase tickets at the Winthrop Police Station

For Info:

Deputy Chief Steve Rogers (srogers@town.winthrop.ma.us)

Sergeant Samantha Ferrino (sferrino@town.winthrop.ma.us)

This is an adult event. All proceeds to benefit Winthrop Police Explorer program.

There will be a DJ, Dancing, Chinese food buffet and prizes.

Dress wear is Christmas themed so wear that ugly Holiday sweater, Holiday Pajamas or your best Victorian suit.

What is Winthrop Community Electricity?

Winthrop Community Electricity is our Town's new electricity supply program. It is designed to provide residents with new electricity supply and options that feature competitive prices, longer-term price stability and more renewable energy (though savings cannot be guaranteed). This program was approved by the Winthrop Town Meeting in 2023 and by the Department of Public Utilities in September 2024. Nearly 170 other cities and towns in Massachusetts have similar programs.

When does it start? The Town chose Direct Energy to provide the program's electricity starting January 2025. All program prices are fixed for 35 months until December 2027.

How do I participate? The answer depends on your current electricity supplier:

- *I am using National Grid Basic Service* (most residential customers) - Anyone currently using National Grid Basic Service supply is eligible for automatic enrollment and will receive a letter in November informing them of their options and how to opt-out (i.e. not participate) if desired. The deadline to opt-out before the program begins is December 14, 2024. Those that do not opt-out will begin receiving electricity from Winthrop Community Electricity in January 2025.
- *I have chosen another electricity supplier already* - Anyone that has proactively chosen their own electricity supplier will not be automatically enrolled in the program; however, these customers may sign up for the program at any time (please check with your current supplier for any cancellation penalties). To join, use the form at WinthropCommunityElectricity.com or call (866) 968-8065.

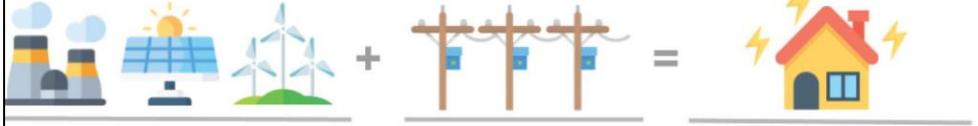
Do I have to participate? Participation is voluntary. Customers may opt-out at any time, without penalty, before or after the program begins.

Why is this an automatic enrollment program?

The State law that enables municipal aggregation programs like Winthrop Community Electricity, M.G.L. c.164 section 134(a), specifies that these programs are opt-out. This design was intended to give a Town or City enough buying power to attract qualified suppliers and negotiate favorable prices for the community (again, recognizing that savings cannot be guaranteed).



WINTHROP COMMUNITY ELECTRICITY



SUPPLY

Winthrop chose Direct Energy to supply the electricity for Winthrop Community Electricity

DELIVERY

National Grid delivers the electricity to your home, maintains power lines, and responds to power outages

POWER FOR YOU

You continue to pay a single bill to National Grid. No changes to solar, discounts, or budget billing



WINTHROP COMMUNITY ELECTRICITY

Winthrop Basic	Winthrop Standard (Default)	Winthrop Plus	National Grid Basic Service
12.910 ¢/kWh	13.340 ¢/kWh	14.220 ¢/kWh	16.055 ¢/kWh
No additional renewable energy	Adds 10% renewable energy (MA Class I RECs)	Adds renewable energy (MA Class I RECs) to total 100%	No additional renewable energy
January 2025 through December 2027 meter reads			August 2024 through January 2025

LAUNCHING JANUARY 2025



WINTHROP COMMUNITY ELECTRICITY

Join a community meeting to learn more about the program:

IN PERSON AND VIRTUALLY

December 2, 2024 at 6:00 PM
Harvey Hearing Room at Town Hall

1 Metcalf Square, Ground Level,
Winthrop, MA

For virtual access links and program details, visit
WinthropCommunityElectricity.com