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**CHA RENAMES OBSTETRICS AND GYNECOLOGY CENTERS**

Cambridge Health Alliance (CHA) Women's Health Centers have a new name. All three centers in Cambridge, Somerville and Revere are now called CHA Obstetrics and Gynecology Centers. CHA Obstetrics and Gynecology Centers focus on providing safe and equitable gynecological, reproductive health as well as prenatal and postnatal care. "We care about all of our patients, every day," said Kate Harney, MD, CHA's chief of obstetrics and gynecology. In 2021, CHA's Labor, Delivery and Postpartum services were named among the top 100 in the country by Newsweek magazine. This recognition, along with a Leapfrog A grade and distinguished awards from the

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## Council hears presentation on new Revere High School project

By Cary Shuman

The Revere City Council listened intently Monday night as Brian Dakin, construction manager for the new Revere High School project, gave a detailed presentation on all aspects of the project, from the timeline for design and construction, to the costs, and the three construction options on the table.

Dakin offered a slide presentation to complement his remarks. For the parents of schoolchildren watching at home, it had to be breathtaking to view the incredible plans for the potential \$394 million project. State reimbursement would be about \$163 million.

"This was an excel-

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## Arrigo announces grant program to support local businesses and protect jobs

Staff Report

Mayor Brian M. Arrigo and the Revere Department of Planning and Community Development (DPCD) announced \$415,000 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding to establish a Microenterprise

Grant Program. The program is aimed at microenterprises and aims to help those small entrepreneurs as they withstand the continued pressures of operating in a COVID environment. Micro-enterprises are defined as businesses

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## Lydia Edwards becomes Senator-Elect Edwards following election

By John Lynds

Yesterday, voters in Revere and the rest of the First Suffolk & Middlesex district went to the polls and elected City Councilor Lydia Edwards to serve as their next state senator. Once sworn in Edwards will become the first woman and the first person of color to represent the district.

"I am grateful to the people of Boston, Cam-



State Senator-Elect Lydia Edwards.

bridge, Revere and Winthrop for sending me to

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## City commemorates MLK Jr. with multi-faceted tribute

Staff Report

Mayor Brian M. Arrigo announced Revere will observe Martin Luther King Day with "A Tribute to Martin Luther King Jr.," a multi-faceted presentation

is a collaboration between Revere Public Schools and the City's Human Rights Commission that will feature music, discussion, and dynamic performance.

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## SCENES FROM THE FIRST SNOW OF THE YEAR



Shown above, the public playground at the Susan B Anthony Complex was empty, filled with snow, instead of playful students Friday morning as Thursday evening's storm continued to blanket the City Friday morning.

Shown right, a resident awaits an Uber in the snow.

Shown below, early morning on Union Street as the snow starts to pile up.



## Revere residents will vote on new Regional high school project on Jan. 25

By Cary Shuman

Northeast Regional Vocational High School Committee member Anthony Caggiano is urging Revere residents to vote on Jan. 25 in favor of the new high school project that is being planned for the current site in Wakefield.

The referendum will be held on Tuesday, Jan. 25, from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., at the St. Anthony's Church bingo hall. New Elections Commissioner Paul Fahey will oversee the election in Revere. The other 11 communities in the district will also be voting on Jan. 25.

"The vibes that [Northeast] Supt. David DiBarri and got from Mayor Brian

Arrigo and city officials is that they seem very supportive of the building of a new [Northeast] high school," said Caggiano. Caggiano said construction costs for the new school would be \$317 million, of which the state reimbursement is \$141 million. He said that Revere's share of the project would be approximately \$1.8 million per year for 20 years.

"The new high school would be built on top of the hill on the Northeast campus where the football field [Breakheart Stadium] is," said Caggiano. "Once construction is finished, the old school would be demolished. We would then build new athletic

fields on the site of the old school."

The new Northeast Regional high school would have an enrollment of 1,600 students, an increase from the current enrollment of 1,300 students.

"Revere currently has the highest enrollment

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**TRASH DELAY**

Due to the Martin Luther King Holiday on Monday January 17, 2022, Trash will be delayed by one day

Capitol Waste Services, Inc.

The Independent Newspaper Group Offices will be **closed** on **MONDAY, JANUARY 17** in observation of **MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY**

The office will reopen on Tuesday, Jan. 18

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# THINKING WARM THOUGHTS

REVERE BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE LOOKS BACK AT THE BEAUTIFUL HOMES OF 2021

As we enter the winter season (and its frigid temperatures), the Revere Beautification Committee

(RBC) is sending Revere residents some pictures of recipients of the 2021 RBC Beautiful Home award.

The RBC hopes that these will be pleasant reminders of summer warmth and its beauty.



Garfield Avenue



Fenno Street



Ford Street



The Revere Society for Cultural and Historical Preservation.

## Crime // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 12

1451: Citizen complaint on Dawes St. The officer filed a report.

1755: Motor vehicle accident at Copeland Circle. The officer filed a report.

1931: Shoplifting on Furlong Drive. The officer issued a summons for a court hearing to a 30 year-old Revere woman for the criminal offense of shoplifting by asportation in an amount greater than \$250.

2048: Motor vehicle accident (MVA) at Salem and Fenwick Sts. The officer issued a citation to a 30 year-old Lynn resident for the criminal offense of negligent operation of an MV and for the civil infraction of a marked lanes violation.

2107: The trespass tow of a motor vehicle (MV) was reported on Overlook Ridge Drive.

2321: A 53 year-old Revere man came into the police station to turn himself in on an outstanding warrant.

2343: Vandalism was reported on Revere St.

a civil moving infraction and issued a citation to the operator.

0142: Noise disturbance on Shirley Ave. The officer restored the peace.

0321: Unwanted person on McCoba St. The officer restored the peace.

0741: Abandoned motor vehicle (MV) at John Ave. and No. Shore Rd. The officer provided assistance.

0825: Abandoned motor vehicle (MV) on Calumet St. The officer provided assistance.

0945: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on Emmet Terrace.

1010: Disabled motor vehicle (MV) on Lee Burbank Highway. The MV was towed.

1020: Motor vehicle accident (MVA) at Butler Circle. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers.

1040: Simple threats on Salem St. The officer restored the peace.

1047: MVA on No. Shore Rd. The officer provided assistance.

1101: An officer kept the peace on Campbell Ave.

1119: Hit-and-run MVA with property damage on

Squire Rd. The officer provided assistance.

1211: An officer provided assistance to a citizen on Ocean Ave.

1255: Disturbance on Squire Rd. The officer restored the peace.

1334: The trespass tow of a motor vehicle (MV) was reported on Beach St.

1455: Parking complaint on Oak Island St. The officer provided assistance.

1651: Breaking and entering into an MV on Charger St. The officer filed a report.

1655: Motor vehicle accident (MVA) on Broadway. The officer assisted the parties with the exchange of papers.

1953: The trespass tow of a motor vehicle (MV) was reported on Overlook Ridge Terrace.

2139: Hit-and-run motor vehicle accident with injuries on American Legion Highway. The officer filed a report.

2248: Missing person on Sargent St. The officer filed a report.

2324: The trespass tow of a motor vehicle (MV) was reported on Overlook Ridge Terrace.



Rand Street



Fenley Street



Harrington Street

## Urgent need for kitchen volunteers at Community Servings

Staff Report

Kitchen volunteers are urgently needed at Community Servings to help the nonprofit's professional kitchen staff prepare and package 18,000 medically tailored meals that are delivered weekly to critically and chronically ill individuals across the region.

While Community Servings operates one of Boston's largest volunteer programs, the current COVID-19 surge has pushed January volunteer numbers to low levels. Demand for the nonprofit's nutritious, life-saving meals has increased by over 80% since the pandemic began.

"Volunteers have been at the heart of our mission since we began, essential to ensuring that we can feed our neighbors in need and help maintain their health," said David B. Waters, CEO of Community Servings. "Given the effects of this pandemic surge, we are making a plea for anyone with a few hours to lend a helping hand in our kitchen."

Volunteers help peel and chop vegetables; portion soups, stews and salads; and pack weekly meal bags for clients living with HIV/AIDS, cancer, diabetes and heart disease, among other illnesses.

For health and safety reasons, all volunteers are required to be fully vaccinated, have their temperature taken, and wear a sur-



Volunteers with Community Servings work on packaging some foods for in accordance with medically tailored meals.

gical or KN95 face mask (provided) at Community Servings' Food Campus in Jamaica Plain, which is on the T's Orange Line. The kitchen is equipped with hospital-grade air ventilation and filtration systems.

Anyone interested in volunteering can visit [www.servings.org/](http://www.servings.org/) to sign up for three-hour shifts Monday through Friday (9 a.m. to noon, 1 to 4 p.m. and 4 to 7 p.m.).

Founded in 1990, Community Servings' mission is to actively engage the community to provide medically tai-

lored, nutritious, scratch-made meals to chronically and critically ill individuals and their families. To help clients maintain their health and dignity, we provide culturally appropriate meals, nutrition education and counseling, and other community programs. Our kitchen team, with support from thousands of volunteers, prepares over 800,000 medically tailored meals that are served to more than 3,200 clients annually. For more information about programs and opportunities to volunteer or donate, please visit [www.servings.org/](http://www.servings.org/).