

# HANOVER

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HANOVER, MASSACHUSETTS  
WELCOMES YOU



# Welcome to Hanover Contents

## HANOVER TOWN HALL

### Address

550 Hanover Street, Hanover, MA 02339

### Phone

781-826-5000

### Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday: 8:00 AM-4:00 PM

Wednesday: 8:00 AM-8:00 PM

Friday: 8:00 AM-12:00 PM

### Website

Hanover-MA.gov

## HANOVER PUBLIC SCHOOLS

### Address

188 Broadway, Hanover, MA 02339

### Phone

781-878-0786

### Hours

Monday-Friday: 8:00 AM-5:00 PM

### Website

HanoverSchools.org

## TOWN DEPARTMENTS

Visit [Hanover-MA.gov/Departments](http://Hanover-MA.gov/Departments) to view a contact directory of all departments in the Town of Hanover

## BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, COMMITTEES, TRUSTS

Visit [Hanover-MA.gov/Boards](http://Hanover-MA.gov/Boards) to view all boards, commissions, committees, and trusts in the Town of Hanover. Meeting schedules, agendas, and minutes are available on each board and committee page.

## ABOUT THE TOWN OF HANOVER

Find updated information and learn more about the Town of Hanover by visiting [Hanover-MA.gov/About](http://Hanover-MA.gov/About).

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# A Warm Welcome from Our Town Manager

On behalf of the entire Hanover community, I am delighted to extend a warm welcome to all of our new residents. As the Town Manager, I am pleased to introduce you to our charming town and help you settle into your new home.

Our town takes great pride in its rich history, dating back to the early colonial era. As you explore our streets, you'll discover historic landmarks, preserved architecture, and a sense of heritage. We encourage you to delve into our past and visit places like the Sylvester School building, the Stetson House, or the historic Four Corners district, where you can experience our founding legacy.

Hanover also offers a wealth of recreational opportunities for all ages. Our parks and open spaces provide a peaceful retreat for outdoor enthusiasts with walking trails, sports facilities, and picnic areas to enjoy. For those seeking more excitement, our town hosts a variety of community events and festivals throughout the year, fostering a strong sense of fellowship among residents.

As you settle into your new home, please do not hesitate to reach out to our friendly community members or town officials with any questions or concerns. We believe in the strength of our community and are confident that you will find Hanover to be a welcoming and inclusive place to call home.

Residents are encouraged to contact me at any time via phone, text, or email.

Sincerely,



Joe Colangelo  
Town Manager

joseph.colangelo@hanover-ma.gov  
339-214-5303 (Mobile/Text)  
Hanover-MA.gov/TownManager



# Getting to Know Hanover

Hanover was founded in 1727, approximately 50 years before the signing of the Declaration of Independence. We have preserved our charming "country town" ambiance throughout the years while nurturing a thriving commercial and retail landscape.

Today's population of nearly 15,000 residents still allows room for open space and woodlands, and most homeowners enjoy sizable lots, often with stone fences left over from a bygone era. Ponds, streams, and rivers, which join the historic North River as it flows to the Atlantic Ocean, provide both summer and winter recreational opportunities.

Explore the Town of Hanover by visiting [Hanover-MA.gov/About](http://Hanover-MA.gov/About).

Hanover has nearly 1,000 business and professional establishments ranging from home businesses and "mom-and-pop" stores to national chains. Most banking, professional, retail, and service establishments are located on the four-mile stretch of Route 53, which runs north and south from the Towns of Norwell and Pembroke.

Light industry in Hanover are located mostly in West Hanover, off Route 139. State Highway Route 3, linking Boston to Cape Cod, runs through the northeast corner of Hanover, where it affords travelers easy access to the town. The proximity to Boston's Logan International Airport via Route 3 and the Southeast Expressway greatly enhances Hanover's attractiveness as a business or residential location.

Hanover has been fortunate to have residents willing to serve and protect our country for nearly 300 years. Tributes to our fallen service members are found at the Civil War Memorial across the street from the Hanover Town Hall and the Chair of Honor located within the Town Hall, dedicated to all soldiers still missing in action. The Veterans Memorial, located at the B. Everett Hall Field, is dedicated to veterans from World War I, World War II, the Korean War, and the Vietnam War. Along with Hanover's many memorial and historical sites, there are many recreational areas throughout the Town, including Forge Pond Park, B. Everett Hall Field and Park, Ellis Field, Ludden's Ford, and Sylvester Field.

Visit [Hanover-MA.gov/Landmarks](http://Hanover-MA.gov/Landmarks).

# Town Government Introduction

Two foundational documents govern the Town of Hanover: The Town Manager Act and The Town of Hanover General Bylaws. These two documents provide the scaffolding for local government in Hanover, offering overarching directives for decision-making. The Town operates under an Open Town Meeting - Select Board - Town Manager framework.

**Town Meeting:** Town Meeting voters are the legislative branch of Hanover's Open Town Meeting form of government. This means that any (and all) registered voters in Hanover can participate in Town Meeting. Town Meeting members make important decisions including approving the annual operating budget(s), capital budget requests (examples of which include the purchase of vehicles and appropriations for new buildings such as a fire station or a school), approving new or amended Bylaws and land use regulations.

- **Town Moderator:** The Town Moderator presides over all Annual and Special Town Meetings.
- **Advisory Committee:** This nine-member committee, appointed by the Town Moderator, reviews and vets all articles up for vote at all Annual and Special Town meetings and makes recommendations to the full legislative body.

Visit [Hanover-MA.gov/TownMeeting](https://hanover-ma.gov/TownMeeting).

**Select Board:** Comprised of five elected members-at-large who serve for staggered three-year terms, Hanover's Select Board is the chief executive and policy-making body of the Town.

Visit [Hanover-MA.gov/SelectBoard](https://hanover-ma.gov/SelectBoard).

**Town Manager:** The Town Manager is the chief executive of the administrative operations of the Town and is responsible for effectively managing all affairs and carrying out policy objectives of the Select Board while honoring decisions made by Town Meeting voters. Visit [Hanover-MA.gov/TownManager](https://hanover-ma.gov/TownManager).

## **VOLUNTEER AND GET INVOLVED!**

One of the benefits of living in a tight-knit community like Hanover is the ample opportunity to engage in our democratic process, locally and directly. There are many ways residents contribute time and energy for Hanover's betterment. A vast number of decisions that impact the health, safety, and general well-being of this community are made via public bodies otherwise referred to as committees, commissions, boards, and trusts (CCBTs). Visit [Hanover-MA.gov/CCBTHandbook](https://hanover-ma.gov/CCBTHandbook).

# Follow Us and Be In the Know!



## CODERED EMERGENCY ALERT NOTIFICATIONS

The CodeRED system is used to send emergency notifications, from evacuation notices to missing child alerts. Residents and businesses located within the Town of Hanover are encouraged to sign up for CodeRED to be sure they receive timely emergency notifications and other important information and instructions when alerts are issued. Visit [Hanover-MA.gov/CodeRED](https://Hanover-MA.gov/CodeRED).



## EMAIL LISTS AND SOCIAL MEDIA

The Town of Hanover, Hanover Public Schools, and other municipal departments communicate with residents and the public through various social media channels and email communications. Subscribe to our many mailing lists and explore our social media outlets to receive the latest news and alerts. Visit [Hanover-MA.gov/FollowUs](https://Hanover-MA.gov/FollowUs).



## PUBLIC MEETINGS AND HEARINGS

Public meetings and hearings provide a platform for citizens to engage in open discussions and voice their opinions on matters of public interest. These events foster transparency, allowing community members to participate in decision-making processes and shape local policies and initiatives.

Visit [Hanover-MA.gov/Meetings](https://Hanover-MA.gov/Meetings).

## COMMUNITY TELEVISION

Hanover Community Television provides engaging local programming, broadcasts live local events and meetings, and is a great source of archived content. Residents are encouraged to take advantage of this resource. Visit [Hanover-MA.gov/HCTV](https://Hanover-MA.gov/HCTV).

# Getting Established

The Town of Hanover offers a range of resources to assist you in every step, from understanding local regulations, registering to vote, and obtaining necessary permits to connecting with essential services like water and electricity. The Town Hall serves as a helpful hub where you can find information, ask questions, and complete required paperwork.

## WATER CONNECTION AND TRANSFER STATION STICKERS

New residents are required to change their water billing address. This process may be completed in person at the Department of Public Works, located at the Sylvester School building, 495 Hanover Street. Residents may also register for a free transfer station sticker during their visit. Proof of residency and vehicle registration information is required. Visit [Hanover-MA.gov/DPW](https://www.hanover-ma.gov/DPW).

## REGISTER TO VOTE AND BE COUNTED

Residents may register to vote at the Town Clerk's Office or Registrar's Office. Special voter registration hours are provided before any election or Town Meeting. Visit [Hanover-MA.gov/Vote](https://www.hanover-ma.gov/Vote).

Hanover is mandated by state law to conduct an annual census. Census forms are sent to households each year on the first of January. Residents are urged to review, update, sign, and return it to the Town Registrar's Office in the envelope provided. Visit [Hanover-MA.gov/Census](https://www.hanover-ma.gov/Census).

## DOG LICENSING

The Town requires annual dog registrations. You may obtain a dog license by submitting the necessary paperwork and fees to the Town Clerk's Office. Visit [Hanover-MA.gov/DogLicense](https://www.hanover-ma.gov/DogLicense).

## PUBLIC SCHOOL REGISTRATION

Parents/guardians of new students are encouraged to register their children in the Hanover Public Schools by visiting or calling the appropriate school office before the start of the school year. Registering students before the school year allows for a smooth transition as each family becomes familiar with Hanover Public Schools. Visit [HanoverSchools.org/Registration](https://www.hanoverschools.org/Registration).

# Utilities and Energy

## INTERNET AND TELEVISION

Hanover's residential Internet and television access are provided by Comcast and Verizon. Please contact your preferred provider for service options. Hanover's Community Access and Media Committee advises the Select Board in regard to the Town's relationship with Internet and television providers.

**Comcast: 800-Xfinity, Xfinity.com**

**Verizon: 800-Verizon, VerizonFios.com**

## ELECTRICITY

National Grid supplies Hanover's electricity. To start service, you will need the following: Full Address you are moving to, Legal Name as shown on your SSN Card, Social Security Number, Preferred Contact Number, Email Address, Date you would like to start service, and your Driver's License.

**National Grid: 800-322-3223, NationalGridUS.com**

## GAS

Eversource is the provider of gas service in Hanover. You'll need an Eversource.com user ID to submit an online request for gas service.

**Eversource: 800-592-2000, Eversource.com**

## WATER

The Town of Hanover Department of Public Works manages water service. New residents are required to change their water billing address. The Request for Water Service Ownership form is available online or may be completed in person at the Department of Public Works, located at the Sylvester School building, 495 Hanover Street.

**Department of Public Works: 781-826-3189, Hanover-MA.gov/Water**

# Town Services

## COMMUNITY SERVICES

The Community Services Department includes the Council on Aging, Veteran Services, Public Access Television, and Parks and Recreation. Visit [Hanover-MA.gov/CommunityServices](https://Hanover-MA.gov/CommunityServices).

## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND MUNICIPAL INSPECTIONS (CDMI)

CDMI provides residents and businesses with all permitting and enforcement activities. We provide these services under one umbrella so that there is clarity on all expectations. CDMI includes Conservation, Building, Planning, and Public Health services. Visit [Hanover-MA.gov/CDMI](https://Hanover-MA.gov/CDMI).

## JOHN CURTIS FREE LIBRARY

Discover our extensive collection: 74,000+ books, 2,600+ videos, 8,000+ audio/video titles, 100 magazines, downloadable media, reference databases, computers, museum passes, and genealogical resources. We're connected to 28 additional public libraries giving Hanover access to Massachusetts' Commonwealth Catalog. Enjoy diverse programming for all ages, including story hours and engaging events. Excited to serve you and your family! Visit [Hanover-MA.gov/JCFL](https://Hanover-MA.gov/JCFL).

## PUBLIC SAFETY (POLICE, FIRE, EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT)

Hanover provides 24/7/365 police and fire coverage. Our dedicated first responders are closely engaged in our community. With well-equipped police and fire departments, our public safety personnel respond to situations with effective emergency response. Regular safety initiatives, educational programs, and community engagement efforts contribute to a safe and thriving town.

Visit [Hanover-MA.gov/PublicSafety](https://Hanover-MA.gov/PublicSafety).

## FINANCE

Included with the finance department's full array of services are two important functions utilized by a majority of residents. The Assessing Office evaluates all parcels in town to determine tax values. The Collector's Office is responsible for accepting all taxes, fees, and payments to the Town of Hanover.

Visit [Hanover-MA.gov/Finance](https://Hanover-MA.gov/Finance).

The Town of Hanover provides convenient online bill pay. Visit [Hanover-MA.gov/OnlinePayments](https://Hanover-MA.gov/OnlinePayments).

## PUBLIC WORKS (DPW)

Hanover DPW provides maintenance and plowing of town-owned roads, public grounds and cemetery maintenance, transfer station and brush pile services, and public water treatment and distribution.

Visit [Hanover-MA.gov/DPW](https://Hanover-MA.gov/DPW).

# Transfer Station and Brush Pile

## ABOUT OUR TRANSFER STATION

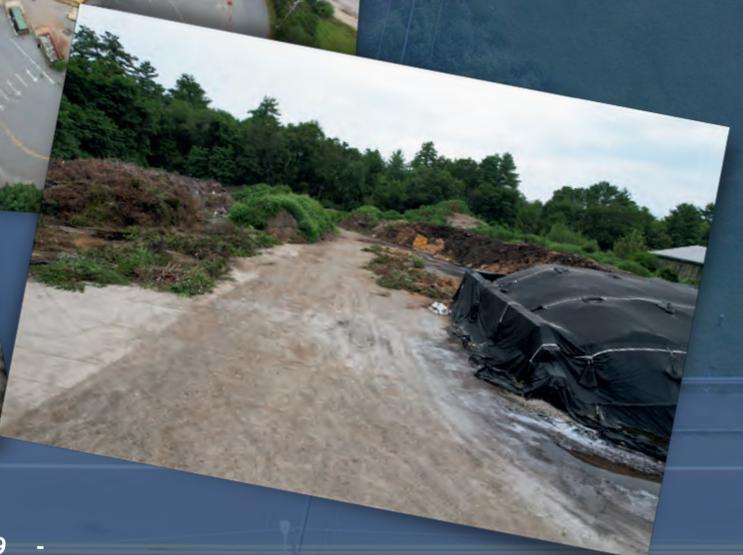
Hanover's Transfer Station allows residents (with a free permit) to dispose of household solid waste and recyclables. Visit [Hanover-MA.gov/TransferStation](http://Hanover-MA.gov/TransferStation).

## TRANSFER STATION STICKER AND PERMIT INFORMATION

To obtain a free sticker/permit, please bring a copy of your vehicle registration and/or a utility bill as proof of residency to 495 Hanover Street (Sylvester School building) during our office hours, Monday to Friday, 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM, or call us at 781-826-3189. Visit [Hanover-MA.gov/TransferStation](http://Hanover-MA.gov/TransferStation).

## AMES WAY BRUSH AND COMPOST PILE

Hanover offers free and convenient brush and composting services for residents at the DPW garage, located at 229 Ames Way. The facility is available Monday through Friday from 7:30 AM to 2:30 PM.



# Additional Services and Resources

## ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL

Hanover's Animal Care and Control is a dedicated and compassionate resource for ensuring the welfare of animals in our community. Our Animal Care and Control Officer is responsible for helping to reunite lost pets with their families, lends support to injured and orphaned wildlife through collaboration with regional rehabilitators, and serves as an educational asset for the community. Visit [Hanover-MA.gov/ACCO](http://Hanover-MA.gov/ACCO).

If your pet is missing or if you find a lost animal, you may fill out an online form that will be published on the town's website and social media channels. Visit [Hanover-MA.gov/LostandFoundPets](http://Hanover-MA.gov/LostandFoundPets).

## TOWN CLERK

The Hanover Town Clerk's Office oversees elections, the early voting processes, and the issuance of absentee ballots. Additionally, the office is responsible for candidate nomination papers and the swearing in of town officials and committee members. The office keeps campaign finance records and offers various services including the issuance of birth certificates, marriage licenses, death certificates, and burial permits. The office also issues dog licenses and business certificates. Visit [Hanover-MA.gov/Clerk](http://Hanover-MA.gov/Clerk).

## TREASURER/COLLECTOR'S OFFICE

The Hanover Treasurer/Collector's Office is accountable for the management of real estate property tax billing and payments, public water-related billing and payments, excise tax billing and payments, and personal property tax billing and payments. The office records tax titles, issues municipal lien certificates, bills and accepts payment for police false alarms and license to carry, and accepts payment of parking tickets and civil disposition citations. Online bill payment is also available.

Visit [Hanover-MA.gov/TreasurerCollector](http://Hanover-MA.gov/TreasurerCollector).

## VETERANS

The Hanover Veterans' Services Office provides support by assisting in the application process for a broad range of federal claims. Included are applications requesting service-connected and non-service-connected compensation, non-service-connected pensions for those with 70% or more disability, health benefits, prescription drugs, business and educational benefits, and burial benefits. The office also helps veterans families with the acquisition of headstones and markers. They facilitate the extension of benefits to Veterans and families in need. Visit [Hanover-MA.gov/Veterans](http://Hanover-MA.gov/Veterans). Visit [Hanover-MA.gov/Veterans](http://Hanover-MA.gov/Veterans).

# Additional Services and Resources

## EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

Emergency preparedness is crucial to safeguard lives and property. By having well-defined plans, residents can respond effectively to natural disasters, such as hurricanes and snowstorms. Adequate supplies, communication strategies, and evacuation routes ensure the community's resilience in times of crisis. Learn how to prepare for an emergency, what to do when there's a power outage, and how to protect your pets. Stay informed by knowing where to find critical information and updates. Visit [Hanover-MA.gov/EmergencyPrep](https://hanover-ma.gov/EmergencyPrep).

## PASSPORTS

In July 2020, the Town of Hanover discontinued its passport services. Although these services are no longer available, you can still access federal and local passport informational resources on our town website. Visit [Hanover-MA.gov/Passports](https://hanover-ma.gov/Passports).

## POST OFFICES AND PARCELS

### U.S. Post Office

196 Rockland Street

Lot Parking Available

For facility accessibility, please call the Post Office

800-ASK-USPS® (800-275-8777)

Phone 781-826-1618

Fax 781-826-8303

TTY 877-889-2457

### U.S. Post Office

1405 Hanover Street, STE 2

Lot Parking Available

For facility accessibility, please call the Post Office

800-ASK-USPS® (800-275-8777)

Phone 781-792-0338

TTY 877-889-2457

Amazon Locations: [Amazon.com/ULP](https://Amazon.com/ULP)

FedEx Locations: [Local.FedEx.com](https://Local.FedEx.com)

UPS Locations: [UPS.com/DropOff](https://UPS.com/DropOff)

# Voting and Town Elections

## LOCAL ELECTIONS

The Annual Town Election is held every year in May. The polls are located at Hanover High School, 287 Cedar Street. Visit [Hanover-MA.gov/Elections](https://hanover-ma.gov/Elections).

## PRIMARIES AND GENERAL ELECTIONS

Early voting for primary and general elections is facilitated at the Hanover Town Hall. Voting on Election Day for county, state, and federal elections takes place at Hanover High School. Visit [Hanover-MA.gov/Vote](https://hanover-ma.gov/Vote).

## REGISTERING TO VOTE

Residents are asked register to vote at the Town Clerk's Office or Registrar's Office. Special voter registration hours are provided before any election or Town Meeting. Additional times to register are available by appointment. Visit [Hanover-MA.gov/Vote](https://hanover-ma.gov/Vote).

## VOTING

You may vote in person on Election Day at Hanover High School, at Town Hall during early voting periods, by mail, or by Absentee Ballot. Visit [Hanover-MA.gov/Vote](https://hanover-ma.gov/Vote).



# Outdoor Recreation

## **B. EVERETT HALL FIELD**

B. Everett Hall Field is located in the center of town. It includes the B. Everett Hall Playground, two baseball fields and a softball field, two full-court basketball courts, a tennis court, and the Sergeant Michael C. Chesna Hockey Rink.

## **BRIGGS FIELD**

Briggs Field is usually used for tee ball and is situated next to the historic Briggs Stables. This stable has belonged to the Briggs family since 1854, and is still in use to this day. The field is situated across from the Hanover Town Hall.

## **CEURVELS FIELD**

Ceurvels Field is located off Myrtle Street. The field consists of a basketball court and lacrosse and baseball fields. The wooded area behind these fields is home to a section of the trail network in Hanover.

## **ELLIS FIELD**

Ellis Field combines four of Hanover's little league baseball fields. The fields pay tribute to Calvin J. Ellis Jr., who was born in Hanover on January 24, 1921. During World War II, First Lieutenant Ellis Jr. served as a Bombardier in the U.S. Air Force. He was killed on April 4, 1945, in Germany. Calvin J. Ellis, Jr. was awarded the European Theatre Ribbon with four Bronze Stars, the Air Medal with three Oak Leaves, a Presidential Citation with Oak Leaf Cluster, and the Purple Heart.

## **FORGE POND PARK**

Forge Pond Park, Hanover's first tournament-based facility, has three baseball fields, three softball fields, three multi-use fields, a 1.5-mile paved walking path, access to a vast network of trails, and a pavilion with concessions and restrooms. The park is well visited, year round.

## **HANOVER HIGH SCHOOL TENNIS COURTS**

Eight professionally remodeled tennis courts at Hanover High School invite community members to play tennis when the courts are not being used for school-related activities. These courts are located at 287 Cedar Street, in front of the high school.

## **HANOVER HIGH SCHOOL TRACK AND TURF FIELD**

The Hanover High School track and turf field is available to all residents when the facility is not being utilized by students and sports teams.

# Outdoor Recreation

## **LUDDEN'S FORD PARK**

Historical Ludden's Ford Park was home to the Clapp Rubber Mill of 1873, the largest rubber mill in America. As a historical site, it was also home to the Curtis Anchor Forge dating back to the 1700's. The 22-acre area is named after James Ludden, famous for guiding Governor John Winthrop across the river to visit William Bradford, Governor of Plymouth Colony, in 1632. Today, this site is valued for its hiking and walking trails. Fishing, kayaking, paddling, and picnicking in the natural habitat provides area residents an enjoyable experience.

## **SERGEANT MICHAEL C. CHESNA MEMORIAL HOCKEY RINK**

Sergeant Michael Chesna was a police officer for the Town of Weymouth and a resident of Hanover who was tragically killed in the line of duty. Additionally, Sergeant Chesna was a six-year U.S. Army Veteran and a Purple Heart recipient. The Sergeant Michael C. Chesna Memorial Hockey Rink is located at the B. Everett Hall Field.

## **SYLVESTER FIELD**

Encompassing a small pine grove and 660 feet of frontage on Third Herring Brook in Hanover's Four Corners neighborhood, Sylvester Field's highly-visible 10-acre meadow and stone wall bordering Washington Street is a cherished part of the town landscape. This property has long served as an agricultural, ecological, and historic resource.

## **HANOVER BRANCH RAIL TRAIL**

Built on an old railroad bed, the Hanover Rail Trail connects West Hanover to Abington through Rockland. Perfect for walking, jogging, and biking, this trail provides a peaceful escape for outdoor enthusiasts and nature lovers alike. A parking lot is available near the intersection of Hanover Street (Route 139) and Circuit Street.

## **HANOVER'S TRAILS AND PATHWAYS**

Hanover is fortunate to have a vast network of recreational trails throughout the town. For maps, resources, and parking information, visit [Hanover-MA.gov/Trails](https://www.hanover-ma.gov/Trails).

## **MORE INFORMATION**

Learn more about Hanover's outdoor and open spaces. Visit [Hanover-MA.gov/Outdoors](https://www.hanover-ma.gov/Outdoors).

# Soar and Succeed



## HANOVER PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Our schools are a source of great pride for our students, staff, families, alumni, and residents, both past and present. Together we strive to grow and improve every day, knowing that Hanover High School, Hanover Middle School, Cedar Elementary, and Center Elementary are core reasons families choose to make Hanover their home. We embrace the obligation to provide cultural opportunities, economic strength, and civic pride in our town, along with inspiring all of our students to believe that their talents will impact the future of our community and world. Visit [HanoverSchools.org](https://HanoverSchools.org).

## FAMILY AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT (FACE)

The Office of Family and Community Engagement is a vibrant part of Hanover. The FACE Program strives to cultivate meaningful, engaging experiences for both Hanover students and the community. Our programs provide learning opportunities that inspire, engage, and challenge students of all ages and abilities in settings that promote social, emotional, and personal well-being. Visit [Hanoverschools.org/FACE](https://Hanoverschools.org/FACE).

## THE HAWK'S NEST

Hanover residents love to share their pride. One-stop shopping is available for everything Hanover at the Hawk's Nest! Visit the store, located in the Salmond School building, located at 188 Broadway. Visit [HanoverSchools.org/HawksNest](https://HanoverSchools.org/HawksNest).



# Education and Learning

## CARDINAL CUSHING CENTERS

Located on a 175-acre campus in Hanover, Cardinal Cushing Centers opened in 1947. The school has been a place where children and adults with disabilities have found possibilities, opportunities, and hope. Archbishop Richard Cushing of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Boston was the driving force behind the creation of the center purchasing land for its campus in 1947 after appealing to Kennedy family patriarch Joseph P. Kennedy Sr. for financial support. Cardinal Cushing Center offers education, training, residential/employment services, and recreational facilities. Visit [CushingCenters.org](http://CushingCenters.org).

## SOUTH SHORE REGIONAL VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL

South Shore Vocational Technical High School is a public high school located at 476 Webster Street in Hanover. The school serves roughly 600 students in grades 9 through 12. The South Shore Regional School District, through its vocational technical high school and adult education programs, serves as a renowned educational institution and community resource for all students who seek to explore, develop, and enhance career and technical skills. Additionally, the school prepares students from Hanover, Norwell, Scituate, Hanson, Pembroke, Rockland, Whitman, Abington, and Marshfield, for future college and technical endeavors. Visit [SouthShore.tech](http://SouthShore.tech).

## EARLY LEARNING AND ADDITIONAL EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

In Hanover, an extensive range of early learning possibilities awaits younger students through the many preschool and daycare organizations in town. Visit [Hanover-MA.gov/Education](http://Hanover-MA.gov/Education).



# Entertainment for All Ages

## **BOSTON BOWL**

Boston Bowl invites you to a fun and exciting bowling experience for the whole family, offering candlepin to 10-pin bowling. You may also stop by the arcade for between rounds. Boston Bowl aims to create a welcoming atmosphere that everyone is able to enjoy. Visit [BostonBowlHanover.com](http://BostonBowlHanover.com).

## **PICKLES**

Pickles is the pickleball destination in Hanover. Players of all skill levels are welcome. With state-of-the-art courts in a vibrant community, Whether you're a beginner or a seasoned pro, Pickles offers a dynamic and engaging experience for everyone. Visit [PicklesNE.com](http://PicklesNE.com).

## **RYAN'S FAMILY AMUSEMENT**

Experience a fun gaming destination at Ryan's Family Amusement in Hanover Crossing. The two-level, 40,000 square foot space combines the best gaming features from all Ryan's locations, including bowling, axe throwing, 100+ state-of-the-art arcade games, virtual reality, laser tag, a restaurant, two bars, party areas, and plenty of TVs to catch every big game. Suitable for all ages and interests - from kid's birthday parties to date nights or corporate outings. Visit [RyanFamily.com/Locations/Hanover-Crossing](http://RyanFamily.com/Locations/Hanover-Crossing).

## **SOUTH SHORE YMCA**

Enjoy seasonal, 7-day-a-week access all summer long with state-of-the-art heated pools, separate areas for YMCA Day Camp, splash parks, playgrounds, modern facilities, and more exciting amenities for campers and members alike. The YMCA in Hanover provides the classic YMCA amenities. There are plenty of different activities for the entire family. Enjoy the gym, creative spaces, classes, summer camps, tennis courts, basketball courts, indoor pool, and much more! Visit [SSYMCA.org](http://SSYMCA.org).

## **STARLAND & SPORTSPLEX FUN PARK**

Starland & SportsPlex Fun Park is an expansive and multifaceted complex packed with activities that will interest visitors of all ages. Starland features an arcade with a wide selection of games, as well as indoor turf fields and basketball courts. Sportsplex Fun Park offers a range of outdoor activities including mini-golf, go-kart racing, batting cages, and more. Whether you're looking to challenge your friends to a friendly competition or simply enjoy fun activities, Starland & Sportsplex Fun Park has so much to offer. Visit [StarlandSports.com](http://StarlandSports.com).

# A Community with Many Culinary Options

## FOOD TRUCK TUESDAYS

Food Truck Tuesdays at Forge Pond, 253 King Street, are held weekly during summer months. These Tuesdays provide a pleasurable venue for a variety of food trucks, live music, and good times! Bring your lawn chairs, picnic blankets, family, and friends. Enjoy a great experience. Visit [SouthShoreFoodTruckAssociation.org](http://SouthShoreFoodTruckAssociation.org).

## HANOVER FARMERS' MARKET

The Hanover Farmers' Market is all about community and the wonderful people and businesses that make it special. Meet here to connect with your neighbors and local vendors. The Hanover Farmers' Market is scheduled from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm on the third Sunday of each month (May through November) at Hanover High School, 287 Cedar Street. Visit [TheHanoverFarmersMarket.com](http://TheHanoverFarmersMarket.com).

## RESTAURANTS AND FOOD

Hanover's diverse culinary scene offers an array of restaurants, bars, cafes, and eateries that cater to all tastes. From a wide variety of National chains to locally-owned establishments, Hanover has something for everyone. Visit [Hanover-MA.gov/Restaurants](http://Hanover-MA.gov/Restaurants).



# The Premier Shopping and Business Destination

## HANOVER CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The Hanover Chamber of Commerce is an organization that promotes a successful business environment in Hanover through networking and educational opportunities for local businesses and interactions with town officials. The Chamber maintains an office in the Hanover Town Hall at 550 Hanover Street. Visit [HanoverMAChamber.com](http://HanoverMAChamber.com).

## HANOVER CROSSING

Hanover Crossing is a premier shopping destination that offers an unparalleled retail experience. With its diverse collection of stores, customers can enjoy shopping for well-known brands, restaurant dining, and various entertainment spots. Hanover Crossing caters to all your shopping needs. From department stores to specialty stores and super markets, you'll find everything you desire in one location. Hanover Crossing is the perfect place to indulge in some retail therapy and spend quality time with friends and family. Visit [TheHanoverCrossing.com](http://TheHanoverCrossing.com).

## HANOVER FOUR CORNERS

The Hanover Four Corners, located at the historic intersection of Broadway and Washington Street, is a quaint shopping district made up of small locally-owned businesses boutiques, and the home of Hanover's annual Winter Festival.

## MERCHANTS ROW

Merchant's Row, on Route 53, is a charming and vibrant shopping district that offers a delightful mix of boutiques, eateries, and local businesses. Stroll along the picturesque storefronts and explore unique shops and establishments. Savor delicious cuisine and experience the warm community atmosphere. Enjoy gourmet treats and cafes. Merchant's Row provides a memorable shopping and dining experience for all. Visit [Hanover-MA.gov/MerchantsRow](http://Hanover-MA.gov/MerchantsRow).

## ROUTE 53 CORRIDOR

The Hanover Route 53 Corridor is a thriving commercial hub, offering a gateway for a wide range of businesses and services. Charming cafes, eateries, lively shops, and unique boutiques line this stretch, catering to visitors from all over. Its prime location, adjacent to Route 3, ensures convenient access for both local residents and regional travelers.

# Embrace the Spirit of Community

## ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

The Annual Town Meeting takes place on the first Monday of May each year. This event invites residents to participate in decision-making processes that shape the town's future. Discuss and vote on key issues, budgets, and initiatives impacting your town. Your opinions matter, whether you're a long-time resident or a newcomer. Let's work together to build a stronger community and create a brighter future for residents. Visit [Hanover-MA.gov/TownMeeting](https://Hanover-MA.gov/TownMeeting).

## HANOVER DAY

The cherished annual Hanover Day event celebrates our community's spirit, welcoming all who participate in Hanover Day. It is held in the heart of summer each year and is filled with family-friendly activities, lively entertainment, thrilling amusement rides, carnival food, and an awesome fireworks show. There's something for everyone to enjoy. Visit [HanoverDay.com](https://HanoverDay.com).

## MEMORIAL DAY PARADE AND CEREMONY

On Memorial Day each year, our hometown and national Veterans and heroes are honored and remembered at the annual Memorial Day Parade and Ceremony. The day commences with a parade leading to the Veterans Memorial, located at the B. Everett Hall Field. There, a respectful service is observed by residents and the community. Visit [Hanover-MA.gov/MemorialDay](https://Hanover-MA.gov/MemorialDay).

## TURKEY TROT 5K

The Turkey Trot is a beloved event that takes place on Thanksgiving morning, bringing residents of all ages and abilities to join in the festive spirit. Whether you're a seasoned runner or a leisurely walker, this family-friendly 5K run/walk is open to everyone, making it a perfect opportunity to meet new friends and embrace the spirit of Fall.

## WINTER FESTIVAL

Step into the enchanting world of the annual Winter Festival at the Hanover Four Corners. Featured events include photos with Santa, S'mores in the Square, crafts, raffles, a petting zoo, beverages and food for all ages, live music, and dance performances. Local businesses will be open to give you a head start on your holiday shopping. Softly lit luminaries create a pathway on Washington Street, Church Street, and Broadway. Visit [Facebook.com/HanoverWinterFestival](https://Facebook.com/HanoverWinterFestival).

# Caring in our Community

## CARDINAL CUSHING

Cardinal Cushing Centers is a compassionate community where individuals thrive in homes, workplaces, schools, and leisure pursuits, experiencing lives rich with meaning. Essential to this dynamic are individuals with intellectual disabilities, who receive comprehensive support to realize independence and meaningful connections. This endeavor upholds the foundational principles of the Sisters of St. Francis of Assisi and Richard Cardinal Cushing. Their exceptional vision embraces the diverse spectrum of individuals, faiths, and abilities, epitomizing the center's commitment to inclusivity and holistic well-being.

## COFFEE WITH A COP

On the second Monday of each month, the Hanover Council on Aging hosts "Coffee with a Cop." This is a nationally recognized community policing event in which all citizens have the opportunity to meet and speak informally with members of the police department. Visit [Hanover-MA.gov/COA](http://Hanover-MA.gov/COA).

## COUNCIL ON AGING

The Hanover Council on Aging is committed to enriching the quality of life for seniors, individuals with disabilities and their families, as well as caregivers. Council on Aging services, educational programs, and engaging activities, enhance our mission to foster a more fulfilling lifestyle for these individuals. Visit [Hanover-MA.gov/COA](http://Hanover-MA.gov/COA).

## FOOD PANTRY

The Hanover Food Pantry assists community members in times of need, providing understanding and empathy to families facing crises. The Pantry's operation is facilitated by the dedicated efforts of a central team of volunteers hailing from five affiliated churches, as well as the Hanover Woman's Club, Juniors. Visit [Hanover-MA.gov/FoodPantry](http://Hanover-MA.gov/FoodPantry).

## VETERANS COFFEE HOUR

Join Hanover Veterans every Thursday at 9:11 am for a weekly Veterans Coffee Hour. Visit [Hanover-MA.gov/Veterans](http://Hanover-MA.gov/Veterans) for schedules, locations, events, and updates.





# We're Glad You're Here!

As you embark on your exciting new chapter in Hanover, remember that you are now part of a vibrant community that values connection, culture, and growth. Let your journey be enriched by the town's warmth, charm, and endless possibilities. Welcome home to Hanover!

## TOWN COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS, BOARDS, AND TRUSTS

Residents are encouraged to get involved in the community, volunteer, and participate in town events.

Visit [Hanover-MA.gov/Committees](https://Hanover-MA.gov/Committees).

## TOWN DEPARTMENTS AND OFFICES

The Town of Hanover is here for you. If you need help or assistance, don't hesitate to get in touch with one of our town departments. Call the Hanover Town Hall at 781-826-5000 or for a directory of departments and offices, visit [Hanover-MA.gov/Departments](https://Hanover-MA.gov/Departments).

## IMPORTANT TOWN PHONE CONTACTS

**Town Offices** 781-826-5000

**Town Manager** 339-214-5303

**Fire Department** 781-826-3151

**Police Department** 781-826-3231

**Code-Red Alert Notifications** 866-419-5000 / 855-969-4636

**Public Works** 781-826-3189

**Hanover Public Schools** 781-878-0786

**South Shore Technical High School** 781-871-0263

**Cardinal Cushing Centers** 781-826-6371

**John Curtis Free Library** 781-826-2972

**Council on Aging** 781-924-1913

## STAY IN TOUCH

Do you have ideas that could benefit our community?

Visit [Hanover-MA.gov/Feedback](https://Hanover-MA.gov/Feedback).



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