



WINTHROP WEEKLY

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE TOWN OF WINTHROP

November 14, 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.

School Committee

November 18, 2024, 6:00 PM
Harvey Hearing Room
[More Details](#)

Retirement Board

November 19, 2024, 4:00 PM - 5:30 PM
Harvey Hearing Room
[More Details](#)

Town Council

November 19, 2024, 6:30 PM
Harvey Hearing Room
[More Details](#)

Board of License

November 20, 2024, 6:00 PM
Gathering Room
[More Details](#)

Planning Board

November 20, 2024, 7:00 PM
Harvey Hearing Room
[More Details](#)

Board of Appeals

November 21, 2024, 6:30 PM
Harvey Hearing Room
[More Details](#)

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

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://cpay.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

THE FOURTH ANNUAL
THE GREAT PUMPKIN DROP
 SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16TH 10-12
 FORT BANKS SCHOOL PLAYGROUND

FREE Don't throw your pumpkins out,
 roll them down the hill
 and drop them!

STOP, DROP & ROLL YOUR OLD PUMPKINS

You can turn your old pumpkins into valuable compost!
 Reduce Food Waste! Crafts for Kids!

MOTHERS OUT FRONT
 WINTHROP, MA

Sponsored by Mothers Out Front Winthrop

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 pickup? Call Capitol Waste 617-569-1718



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.



SIX

The Musical: Teen Edition
By Toby Marlow and Lucy Moss

7pm November 14, 15, and 16
at the Neil Shapiro Center for the Performing Arts at WHS

tickets available now at whsds.booktix.com

\$10 for Students & Seniors \$15 for Adults

contact whsdstickets@gmail.com
with any questions or concerns

@whs_dramasociety

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winthropdramasociety.com

WINTHROP HIGH SCHOOL
DRAMA SOCIETY

SIX: TEEN EDITION is presented by special arrangement with Concord Theatricals. www.concordtheatricals.com



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. BELL, 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.

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.

**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

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

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

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

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) 539-5837



Winthrop Department of Public Health & Clinical Services

COME SUPPORT WHS GIRLS BASKETBALL BOOSTERS!

GIRLS BASKETBALL

BAKE SALE!

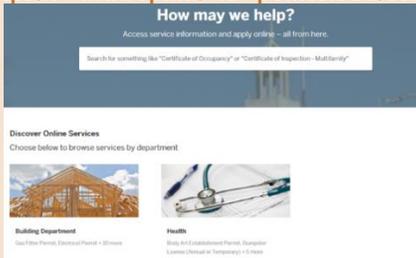
Saturday, November 23rd
9AM-12PM
French Square
Winthrop, MA 02152

COME SUPPORT!

APPLY FOR PERMITS ONLINE

The Town of Winthrop has partnered with OpenGov 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/>



ATTN: Riders of Routes

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Now Arriving: Your Feedback

Share your insights to help us improve your experience.



Take our 2 minute survey.



THE GFB PTO PRESENTS

MUSICAL BINGO NIGHT

PRIZES | FOOD | FUN

All proceeds support enrichment activities at the GFB

Friday, November 15, 2024; 6PM-8:30PM

Winthrop Yacht Club
649 Shirley Street

\$25 for adults;
\$15 for children

2ND ANNUAL
COMMUNITY FAIR
 TO BENEFIT
Myles  **ones**
 The Myles P. Vercruysse Memorial Fund
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 30TH
Memorial Gymnasium,
 By Larsen Rink - Pauline Street, Winthrop, MA
10:00 AM - 2:00 PM
 Crafters, vendors, small businesses, community programs, games, and prizes!
 Also featuring animals from Reptiles Circus, games with Yard Games World, fun with Project Play, Touch-A-Truck with Winthrop Police, Fire, EMS, ABH Services, Inc, and more!

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



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

WINTHROP BOY SCOUTS TROOP 75 GREENERY SALE

ORDERING

Orders will be collected outside of 4pm, 8am, 10am, & 12pm masses @ St. Michael's Parish the weekend of November 2nd.
 Orders can also be returned to a Scout or mailed to:
 Troop 75 c/o Scott Beuoy 15 Mermaid Ave, Winthrop, MA 02152

DEADLINE TO SUBMIT ALL ORDERS IS Wednesday, NOVEMBER 6th
 (Mailed orders must be received by Monday Nov. 4th)

PAYMENT

Please make checks payable to "TROOP 75 Winthrop" or VENMO @Winthrop-BoyScouts
 *If paying with Venmo include Name, Address, phone & Order Details

PICK UP/ DELIVERIES

DELIVERIES – MONDAY, NOVEMBER 25 – TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26
 PICK UPS - SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1
 During 8am, 10am & 12pm Masses @ St. Michael's Parish garage
 We offer complimentary delivery to Winthrop addresses upon request.

----- Cut Here - Keep Top portion for your records. -----

NAME _____ TEL _____
 EMAIL: _____ ADDRESS: _____

ITEM	QUANTITY	PRICE	TOTAL \$
REGULAR SIZE DECORATED WREATH		\$30	
REGULAR SIZE WREATH WITH BOW ONLY		\$20	
REGULAR SIZE PLAIN WREATH		\$15	
XL SIZE PLAIN WREATH (36" center)		\$50	
XL SIZE WREATH W/ BOW (36" center)		\$60	
KISSING BALL		\$30	
LOG BASKET		\$30	
TOTAL ITEMS		TOTAL DUE	

DELIVERY
 8am PICK UP
 10am PICK UP
 12pm PICK UP
 PAYMENT METHOD
 Cash
 CHECK # _____
 VENMO _____ (Verified)

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING WINTHROP BOY SCOUTS
 WinthropBoyScoutsTroop75@gmail.com

WINTHROP BOY SCOUTS TROOP 75

SPONSOR A WREATH

To Be Displayed in French Square / Winthrop Center

With a Business or Family name to be displayed on the Ribbon

\$25

Use this link to order your Sponsored Center Wreath Today
<https://forms.gle/RGQHBUKMHKUwWJuk8>

Venmo \$25 to:
 @Winthrop-BoyScouts

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING WINTHROP BOY SCOUTS
 WinthropBoyScoutsTroop75@gmail.com

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

Why was my trash/recycling not collected? Why did I receive a trash violation?

- Residents in 1-3 unit dwellings are permitted to utilize one (1) Town issued trash bin and one (1) Town issued recycling bin per unit, per dwelling. Bins are Town property. Bins are to remain in the assigned address. Please label each bin with your address-unit number.
 - All trash and recycling should be neatly stored in your Town provided bins on your property.
 - All trash is to be bagged inside the trash bin. Bags/items placed on the curb WILL NOT be collected.
 - All recyclables are to be unbagged, and free-flowing in the recycling bin.
 - Any trash that does not fit in your closed Town issued trash bin must be in a Town of Winthrop Pay As You Throw Overflow Trash Bag. These bags must be placed inside a covered bin supplied by the resident. These bags are for household trash only. Do not place hazardous waste, yard waste, recyclables, construction debris, hazardous waste, tires, or banned materials in these bags. Overflow bags are sold in sleeves of 5 bags for \$15.00. Bags are available at the DPW, Town Hall, Cumberland Farms, TST, and QuickFood Mart.
 - Please note: Bag infested items and rain soaked items may be rejected by the hauler for pickup. You will need a private hauler for your bin if these occurs. Items are to be given away for FREE must be on your property and not on any public sidewalk or way. Items not taken after 48 hours need to be removed. Fines may be assessed for items on a public sidewalk or not removed from your property within 48 hours.
- The hauler will not collect any trash placed for pickup not following these regulations. Violations of solid waste ordinances and regulations will result in trash or recycling being rejected. A violation or fine may be assessed in accordance with the State Sanitary Code and Town of Winthrop Board of Health Trash Recycling ordinances.**
The removal of uncollected trash/recycling becomes the responsibility of the homeowner/tenant.



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

SPINELLI'S & WHS CLASS OF 2025

THANKSGIVING PIE FUNDRAISER

Spinelli's most awaited seasonal pies are back! Grab them while they're hot.
Orders due by 11/19

Pies are \$20 Each

Click Here OR Scan the QR Code to order!



Pumpkin Pie
Blueberry Pie
Apple Pie
Ricotta Pie
Lemon Meringue

Pick Up Location:

Winthrop High School Tuesday 11/26 5:00pm -7:00pm

Deliveries 11/26 AFTER 5pm

For more information reach out to Danielle Reardon at 617-529-8498 or danielle.reardon@comcast.net

GIFTS FOR FIRST 50 TO ENTER!!

CLASS OF 2026 PRESENTS
Country fair!

NOVEMBER 21ST

ST MICHAEL'S | DOORS OPEN
GYMNASIUM | 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!!

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



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 12:00-5:00
Saturdays 10:00-5:00 December 7 and 21, January 4 and 18

The Clock Tower Gallery
E.B. Newton Cultural Center
49 Pauline Street, Winthrop MA
02159-2522

<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.winthropstogether.org

Festival of Wreaths

Presented by the Odd Fellows Zenith Lodge #42
196 Winthrop St. Winthrop, MA

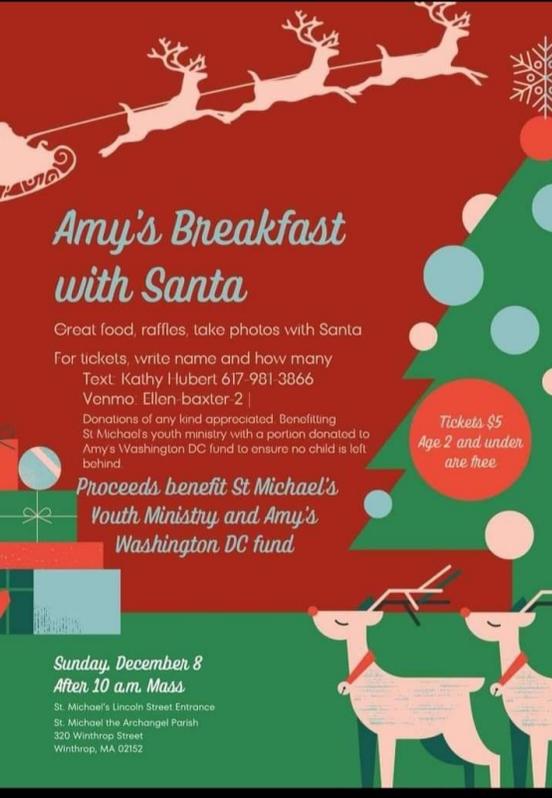


The Festival of Wreaths Open House & Raffle
will last from November 12th thru December 12th
Open Tues. thru Thurs. 3-6 pm and Saturdays 12-2pm

Enjoy refreshments while viewing the festive handmade wreaths created by local artisans and make your own holiday decorations with our live winter evergreens and supplies.

20 Raffle tickets included with your \$10.00 donation.
Winners drawn at the December 14th Zenith Lodge Holiday Dinner and called for pick-up the following week.

The Odd Fellows Zenith Lodge Thanks You For Your Support.



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 |

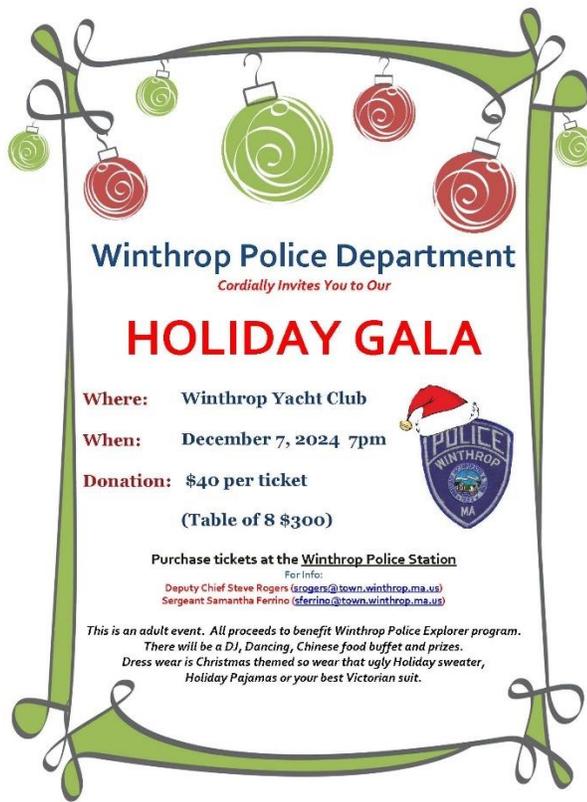
Donations of any kind appreciated. Benefitting St. Michael's youth ministry with a portion donated to Amy's Washington DC fund to ensure no child is left behind.

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



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.*



**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!



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!



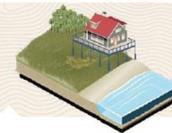
How can we protect our coastal floodplains?

The most effective way of protecting the coastal floodplain, and thereby protecting our homes and infrastructure, is to safeguard its natural floodplain features and functions wherever possible.

Where the coastal floodplain is already developed, measures to modify buildings when they are substantially repaired or improved to accommodate floodwaters are important. Elevating buildings on open piles and removing obstructions from the floodplain are two strategies for reducing risk from coastal flooding and storm damage. The Coastal Resilience Grant Program provides financial and technical support for public projects which enhance coastal resilience to storms and flooding. FEMA Grants are available to help elevate homes.



Protect – In developed areas, elevation of existing seawalls or flood control berms, under limited circumstances, or nature-based protection options, like deep-rooted vegetation plantings or dune planting, can help reduce erosion and dissipate storm energy.



Accommodate – Measures like elevating buildings on piles, removing obstructions (like fences and walls), and providing vegetated areas where coastal floodwater can infiltrate, all help to accommodate floodwaters in the coastal floodplain.



Avoid – Wherever possible, we should leave natural coastal floodplains undeveloped. These areas provide many important services and are also becoming likely to flood more frequently.



Retreat – Where possible, managed retreat from the coastal floodplain may be the best option. State Coastal Resilience Grants can help with managed retreat planning and FEMA Grants may help with government buyouts of vulnerable land in the coastal floodplain.

www.mass.gov/info-details/shores-of-change

Shores of Change

COASTAL FLOODPLAIN RESILIENCE

Coastal Floodplains Under Pressure

Why are coastal floodplains under pressure?

Many pressures are exerted on our coastal floodplains, from the land and from the sea.

As sea levels rise and coastal storms become stronger, coastal floodplains are becoming more frequently flooded.

At the same time, continued development on the coastal floodplain exacerbates the impact of the floodwaters and increases erosion, loss of vegetation, and storm damage.



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The entire site depicted below is located within FEMA Floodplain. Refer to the FEMA Maps to determine the exact location of the floodplain boundary.

Unique wildlife may be lost as coastal floodplains are developed.

As the floodplain is developed, it loses its ability to slow velocity of flows and absorb storm energy, allowing storm impacts to be felt further inland.

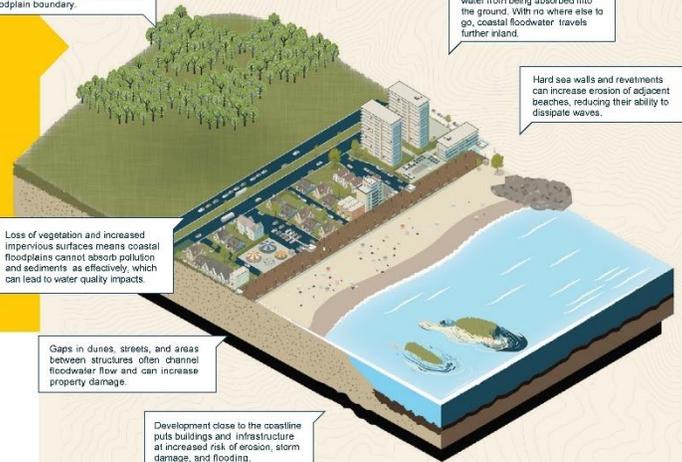
Hard, paved surfaces prevent water from being absorbed into the ground. With no where else to go, coastal floodwater travels further inland.

Hard sea walls and revetments can increase erosion of adjacent beaches, reducing their ability to dissipate waves.

Loss of vegetation and increased impervious surfaces means coastal floodplains cannot absorb pollution and sediments as effectively, which can lead to water quality impacts.

Gaps in dunes, streets, and areas between structures often channel floodwater flow and can increase property damage.

Development close to the coastline puts buildings and infrastructure at increased risk of erosion, storm damage, and flooding.



This project was made possible in part by a Wetland Program Development Grant from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (Region One), Section 104 (b)(5) of the Federal Clean Water Act.