



WINTHROP WEEKLY

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE TOWN OF WINTHROP

December 26, 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

December 30, 2024, 6:00 PM
Harvey Hearing Room
[More Details](#)

New Years Eve

Town Offices Close at 4:30 PM
December 31, 2024

New Years Day

Town Offices Closed for Holiday
January 1, 2025

Holiday Hours

Town Offices Close at 4:30 PM
January 2, 2025

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

Reminder:

Trash and Recycling Collection Delay

No collection on Wednesday, January 1st

All trash and recycling collections will be delayed by one day AFTER the 1st for the remainder of the week.

Now, More than Ever, Our Community Needs Food Donations!

Please join the Winthrop Public Library's *Food for Fines* Promotion to benefit the Winthrop Food Pantry

Please bring donations of usable, non-perishable food during the month of December.

One item of food = up to \$5 in fines. We encourage participation even if you owe no fines!



See marked boxes at the library desks

Suggestions for needed items:

Pasta, pasta sauce, tuna, mayonnaise, jelly, pancake mix, pancake syrup

All usable, non-perishable items are welcomed!

Visit the library soon - bring along some food donations along with your books!

Real Christmas Tree Collection Weeks of January 6 and January 13, 2025



WINTHROP MASSACHUSETTS



- Place your bare tree curbside, next to your bins
- Do not bag your tree
- No lights
- No ornaments
- No garland



Pickup of the 2024 Holiday season, real Christmas trees will be after 7 am on your regular trash day. Pickup will be the weeks of January 6th and January 13th, 2025 only.



2025

Resident Parking Stickers / Visitor Placard

ONLY AVAILABLE ONLINE

**Order Today and Receive
Before the New Year**

Scan on phone

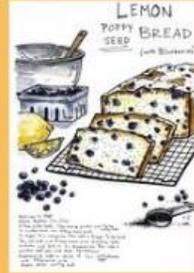


OR

1. Go to <https://www.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

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



BU School of Public Health



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'll only take 15 minutes!)

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

New York Times bestselling author of
THE WITCH ELM

TANA FRENCH

The Searcher

A NOVEL

Winthrop Public Library & Museum
2 Metcalf Square

Mystery Book Club
January 8, 2024 10:30 a.m.
Hazlett Room

PUBLIC SKATE

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



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

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



Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection

Recycle Smart This Holiday Season!



Trees and Wreaths

As the Holidays are winding down, remember cut Christmas trees and Holiday wreaths are handled differently. Most Massachusetts cities and Towns provide tree collection. (Usually the first two weeks in January.) The trees collected are chipped and either used for compost or mulch. If you have questions about where to take your tree for proper disposal or when to put it on the curb, contact your city/town for information. Remember to remove all lights, tinsel, ornaments, and garlands. Bare trees only!

Although many wreaths are made from trees, they are not collected with trees or yard waste collection.

The wires in wreaths are a contaminant.

Wreaths go in the trash.



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.

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

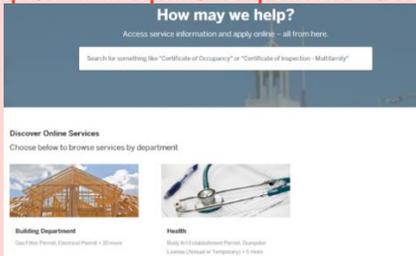


2nd and 4th Thursday and Saturday of month
Women's, Men's, and Children's Clothing

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/>



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Packing Peanuts, Bubble Wrap, Boxes and Padded Envelopes

Shipping boxes and packaging are unavoidable during the gift-giving season.

Remember to flatten all cardboard boxes before putting them in the recycling bin – do not nest open boxes within each other.

Packing peanuts and any paper envelopes with plastic padding on the inside go in the trash. Bubble wrap and fully plastic padded envelopes can be brought back to your supermarket to be properly recycled along with plastic wrap and plastic bags.



Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection

Paper Plates and Napkins, Plastic Utensils and Cups

Disposable plates, napkins, utensils, and cups make cleanup easy. Unfortunately, most of these items cannot be recycled. All noncompostable, disposable paper products go in the trash.

Plastic cups made of polystyrene (colored cups or those that crack or crinkle when squeezed) also go in the trash. Clear plastic cups that easily squeeze in your hand and all aluminum cans can be recycled.



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String lights

Though beautiful on your house, tree or mantel, string lights don't belong in your recycling bin. They wrap around machinery at your local recycling facility, causing sorting to come to a grinding halt. Broken string lights may be an easy fix – try this repair tip. If they still don't work, many municipalities across the state provide special collection bins for string lights at the holidays or year-round as e-waste or scrap metal (search "city/town name' trash and recycling"). You can also search Beyond the Bin for collection locations. If you can't find a location near you, you can put them in the trash.

