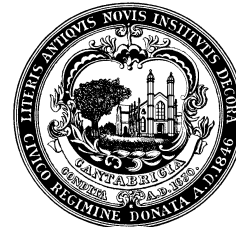


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**The next meeting of the Cambridge Commission for Persons with Disabilities
will be held online via Zoom on Thursday, February 10, 2022 at 5:30 PM**

PLEASE MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO JOIN BY 5:30 PM

AGENDA

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| 1. Introductions
<i>If needed, alternates named</i> | 2 min. | |
| 2. Announcements | 2 min. | CCPD staff / Board |
| 3. Our Parks Our Plan:
Parks & Open Space Planning
<i>See page 4 of this agenda packet for presentation</i> | 40 min. | Gary Chan |
| 4. Approval of January 13 minutes
<i>See page 20 of this agenda packet for minutes</i> | 2 min. | CCPD Board |
| 5. Public Works Update | 10 min. | Jerry Friedman |
| 6. Executive Director's Report | 10 min. | Executive Director |
| 7. Chair's Report | 10 min. | Phil Kongtcheu |
| 8. Old Business | 3 min. | CCPD staff / Board |
| 9. New Business | 3 min. | CCPD staff / Board |
| 10. Public Input | 3 min. | general public |

See pages 2&3 of this agenda packet for instructions on providing public comment

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The next CCPD meeting will be held online on Thursday, March 10

Members of the public: See instructions on following pages on how to watch the CCPD meeting and provide public comment via Zoom

Instructions on How to Join the February 10, 2022 CCPD Meeting as a Member of the Public

Join Online:

Registration is required in order to view the meeting or to participate in public comment.

Register online at

https://cambridgema.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_CmDuuVAVQLqcGO6085r2sg

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<https://www.cambridgema.gov/Departments/citycouncil/zoomonlinemeetinginstructions>

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To raise your hand:

- On a Mac or PC:
 - Click "raise hand" in the webinar control panel
 - Alternatively, you may use the keyboard shortcut to raise and lower your hand:
 - Windows: press "Alt+Y"
 - Mac: press "Option+Y"
 - When you are called on by the host to speak, you will be prompted to unmute your microphone (you must unmute yourself, as the host does not have the ability to unmute individuals).
 - After you have spoken or once your 3 minutes are up, your microphone will be muted by the host

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 - After you have spoken or once your 3 minutes are up, your microphone will be muted by the host

Once they have the floor, members of the public are asked to identify themselves, and each speaker is limited to not more than three (3) minutes. Although the public comments should, whenever possible, address one or more items on the agenda for that particular meeting, if time permits, the Chair may allow a speaker to comment on matters that may not directly address an item on the agenda, but do concern the Commission.

Thank you for your patience as we work together to make virtual meetings accessible for everyone!

Our Parks Our Plan


Parks & Open Space Planning

City of Cambridge
Community Development Department



Parks and open spaces are a key part of the City's infrastructure for maintaining and increasing quality of life





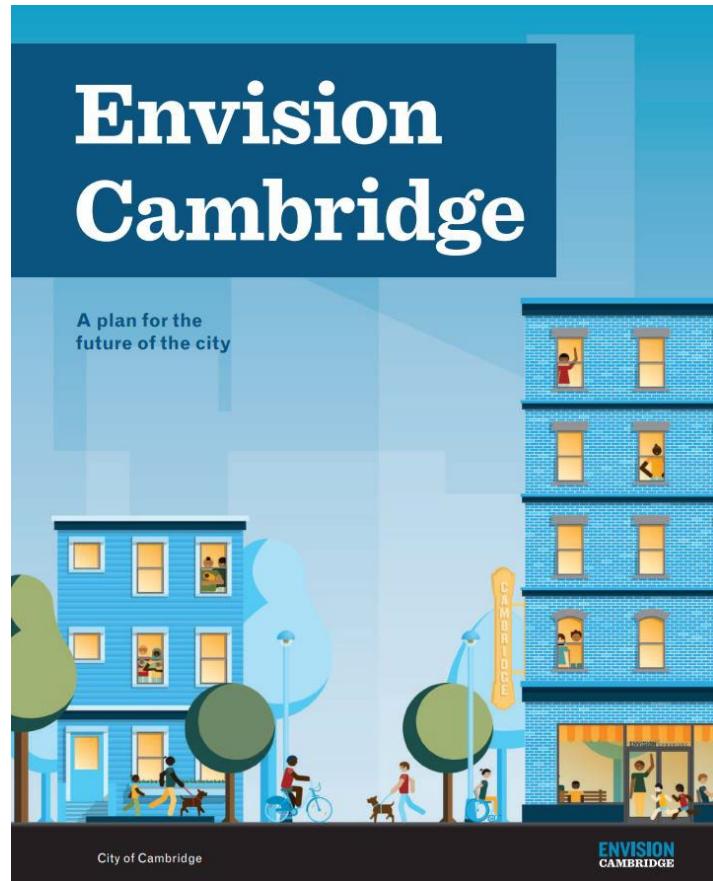
Purpose of Open Space Planning

- How can our parks and open space system reflect our community priorities and values?
- How should our open space system evolve over time?
- How do we use the public space that we have well?

Open Space Planning Process



Community Core Values



Livability

Diversity and Equity

Economic Opportunity

Sustainability and Resilience

Community Health and Well-Being

Learning

Community Values and Priorities

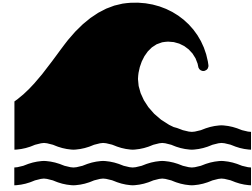


How do we define open space needs?

Access



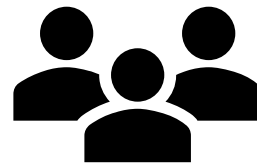
Resilience



Public Health





Community





**Viewed
through
Equity Lens**

**Open Space
Needs**

Factors and Metrics

Park Access 	Resilience 
Park type walksheds	Tree canopy density
Proximity to multiple park types	Urban heat island (current day)
Access to open space acreage	FEMA 100-yr flood (current day)
Population density with housing starts	Projected flooding (100 and 500-yr flood by 2070)
Accessible acres of park space per resident	

Public Health 	Community 
Asthma (estimated prevalence)	Age Distribution (65+)
Diabetes (estimated prevalence)	Family populations
High Blood Pressure (estimated prevalence)	Person with any disability
Obesity (estimated prevalence)	Population at or below 200% poverty level
Lack of Physical Activity (estimated prevalence)	Percentage Minority Population by Census tract
	Population without vehicle access

Factors
Metrics

An aerial photograph of a city neighborhood, likely in the fall, showing a mix of residential buildings and trees with yellow and orange foliage. In the lower-left foreground, a large green baseball field with a brown infield is visible. The rest of the image is a dense urban area with various colored buildings and streets.

Park Access

Park types and park type walksheds

Areas of the city that are within a 5-minute to 10-minute walking distance (quarter- and half-mile) to different park types.

Proximity to Multiple Park Types

Areas within walking distance to multiple park types.

Access to Open Space Acreage

Total acreage amount of park space accessible (within walking distance) for different areas of the city

Population density (with housing starts)

Residents per acre

Accessible Acres of Park Space per Resident

Amount of park space per resident based on population density and parks (walking distance, and uniform $\frac{1}{4}$ mi)

Resilience

Tree canopy density

Urban heat island (current day)

FEMA 100-yr flood (current day)

Projected flooding (100-year flood by 2070)

Public Health

Estimated prevalence among adults of chronic health issues or other factors, based on data from 500 Cities Project (now PLACES).

Asthma

Diabetes

High blood pressure

Obesity

Lack of Physical Activity



Community

Age Distribution (65+)

Family Populations

Person with Any Disability

Population at or below 200% Poverty Level

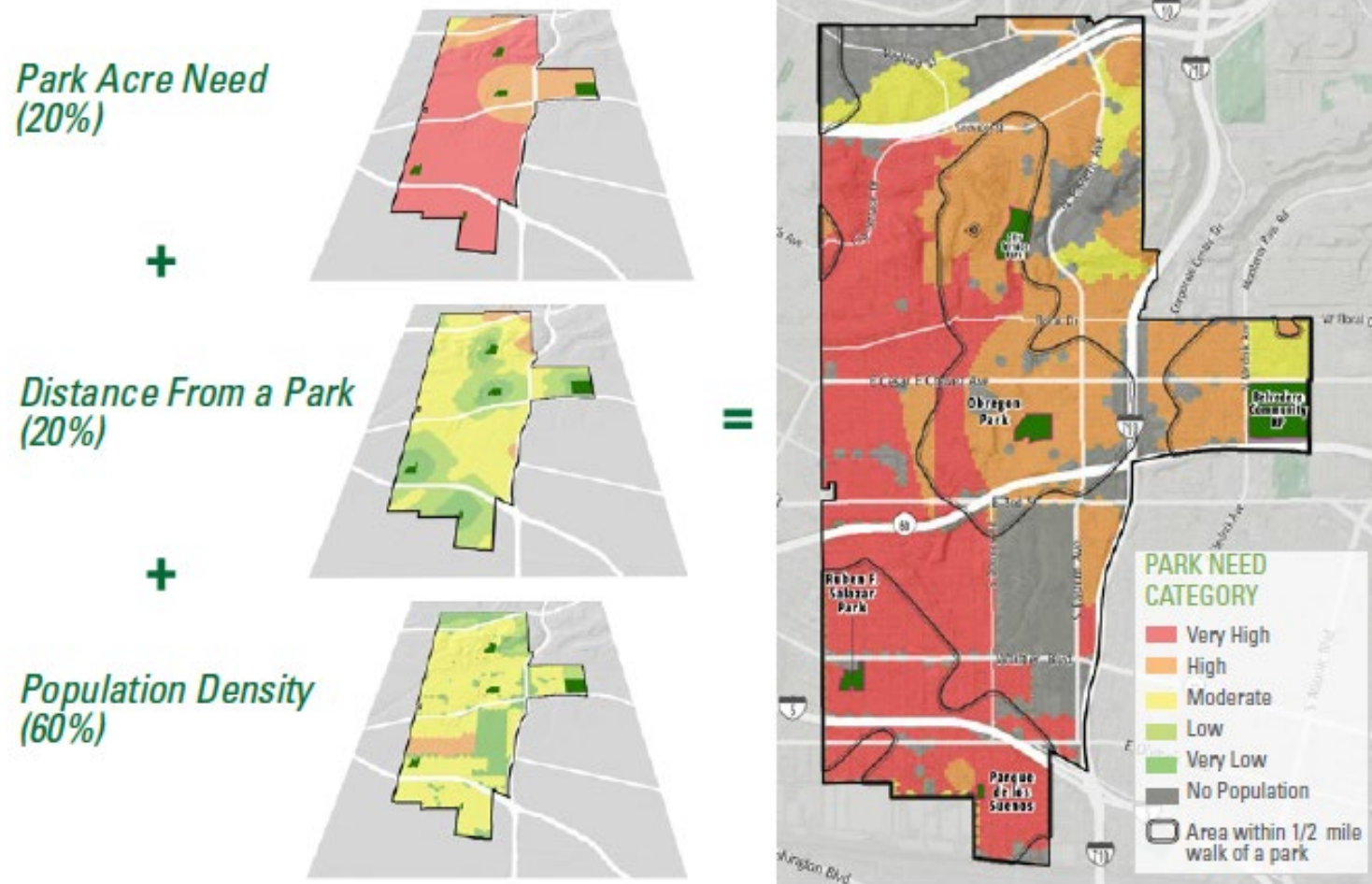
Percentage of Minority Population

Population without Vehicle Access

Citywide Open Space Need

Precedent: LA Countywide Comprehensive Parks & Recreation Needs Assessment

Figure 35. Where Are Parks Most Needed?



How we're using this framework:

- Based on these factors and metrics, where (and what) is open space need?
- What can we learn from how these factors and metrics interact? Do they compound?
- What do these various metrics tell us, and what do they not, about goals, strategies, and actions?

Capital Planning (Site-Level) Prioritization

Precedent: Minneapolis Neighborhood Parks Plan

- We are also using a similar framework to understand these lenses at the site level to help guide capital planning and identify opportunity areas
- Example data for each park site:
 - Condition and Recent Investments
 - Community
 - Resilience
 - Program Needs and Areas of Emphasis

Criteria Matrix for MPRB Capital and Rehabilitation Under 20-Year Neighb
Ensuring Equity in MPRB's Capital Improvment Program

KEY:

	parks in 2017-2022 CIP
	parks added in 2023
	increased score
	decreased score

2017 Rank	2016 Rank	+/-	Park Name	Total Score	Neighborhood Name	Service Area	ACP	PoCS0	2017 RCAP	1. RCAP WEIGHT	2016 POPULATION DENSITY	2. DENSITY WEIGHT	2016 YOUTH POPULATION	3. YOU WEIGI		
1	14	-13	Corcoran Park	18.74	Corcoran	South	Yes	Yes	Yes	5	5	9495	2	2	27.7%	2
2	1	-1	Bassett's Creek Park	18.40	Harrison	North/Southwest	Yes	Yes	Yes	5	5	6596	1	1	23.0%	1
3	3	0	Central Gym Park	18.37	Central	South	Yes	Yes	Yes	5	5	14808	3	3	30.4%	2
4	12	-8	Stewart Field Park	18.24	Midtown Phillips	South	Yes	Yes	Yes	5	5	13197	3	3	31.1%	2
5	9	-4	Farwell Park	18.00	Willard - Hay	North	Yes	Yes	Yes	5	5	8496	2	2	34.9%	2
6	2	-4	28th St Totlot	17.50	Whittier	Southwest	Yes	Yes	Yes	5	5	17897	3	3	16.2%	1
7	6	-1	Phillips Pool & Gym	17.50	Midtown Phillips	South	Yes	Yes	Yes	5	5	13197	3	3	31.1%	2
8	11	-3	Hall Park	17.32	Near - North	North	Yes	Yes	Yes	5	5	6173	1	1	36.5%	2
9	10	-1	Peavey Park	17.21	Ventura Village	South	Yes	Yes	Yes	5	5	15452	3	3	30.1%	2
10	26	-16	Riverside Park *	17.20	Cedar Riverside	South	Yes	Yes	Yes	5	5	15022	3	3	18.6%	1
11	7	-4	Sumner Field Park	17.00	Sumner - Glenwood	North	Yes	Yes	Yes	5	5	7618	2	2	42.8%	2
12	13	-1	Powderhorn Park	16.87	Powderhorn Park	South	Yes	Yes	Yes	5	5	12551	3	3	27.3%	2
13	24	-11	Whittier Park	16.77	Whittier	Southwest	Yes	Yes	Yes	5	5	17897	3	3	16.2%	1
14	18	-4	Perkins Hill Park	16.58	McKinley	North	Yes	Yes	Yes	5	5	5269	1	1	31.9%	2
15	19	-4	Folwell Park	16.30	Folwell	North	Yes	Yes	Yes	5	5	9034	2	2	32.4%	2
16	15	-1	Jordan Park	16.29	Jordan	North	Yes	Yes	Yes	5	5	10592	3	3	36.2%	2
17	16	-1	Currie Park	16.25	Cedar Riverside	South	Yes	Yes	Yes	5	5	15022	3	3	18.6%	1
18	53	-35	Bohannon Field Park	16.14	Lind - Bohanon	North	Yes	Yes	Yes	5	0	6792	2	1	30.5%	2
19	5	-14	Phelps Field Park	16.03	Bryant	South	Yes	Yes	Yes	5	5	10664	3	3	30.9%	2
20	8	-12	Lovell Square Park	16.00	Near - North	North	Yes	Yes	Yes	5	5	6173	1	1	36.5%	2
21	20	-1	North Commons Park	15.97	Willard - Hay	North	Yes	Yes	Yes	5	5	8496	2	2	34.9%	2
22	25	-3	Cedar Field Park	15.75	East Phillips	South	Yes	Yes	Yes	5	5	11711	3	3	37.2%	2
23	17	-6	Painter Park	15.75	Lyndale	Southwest	Yes	Yes	Yes	5	5	15406	3	3	18.1%	1
24	27	-3	East Phillips Park	15.68	East Phillips	South	Yes	Yes	Yes	5	5	11711	3	3	37.2%	2
25	48	-23	Shingle Creek Park *	15.14	Shingle Creek	North	Yes	Yes	Yes	5	0	6550	1	2	27.0%	2
26	21	-5	Willard Park	15.08	Willard - Hay	North	Yes	Yes	Yes	5	5	8496	2	2	34.9%	2
27	30	-3	Cottage Park	15.00	Jordan	North	Yes	Yes	Yes	5	5	10592	3	3	36.2%	2
28	29	-1	Franklin Steele Park	15.00	Elliott Park	South	Yes	Yes	Yes	5	5	16705	3	3	7.4%	0
29	22	-7	Murphy Square Park	15.00	Cedar Riverside	South	Yes	Yes	Yes	5	5	15022	3	3	18.6%	1
30	28	-2	Elliott Park	14.89	Elliott Park	South	Yes	Yes	Yes	5	5	16705	3	3	7.4%	0
31	23	-8	Harrison Park	14.50	Harrison	North	Yes	Yes	Yes	5	5	6596	1	1	23.0%	1
32	33	-1	Glen Gale Park	14.33	Willard - Hay	North	Yes	Yes	Yes	5	5	8496	2	2	34.9%	2
33	32	-1	Farview Park	14.31	Hawthorne	North	Yes	Yes	Yes	5	5	5226	1	1	37.5%	2
34	31	-3	Humboldt Triangle	14.00	Near - North	North	Yes	Yes	Yes	5	5	6173	1	1	36.5%	2
35	4	-31	Bosses Field Park	13.92	Wenonah	South	Yes	Yes	Yes	5	5	3608	1	1	24.3%	2
36	34	-2	Bethune Park	13.57	Near - North	North	Yes	Yes	Yes	5	5	6173	1	1	36.5%	2
37	52	-15	Cleveland Park	13.21	Cleveland	North	Yes	No	No	3	0	7741	2	2	29.3%	2
38	36	-2	Lyndale School Pool	13.00	East Harriet	Southwest	No	No	No	0	0	2980	1	1	18.3%	1
39	35	-4	Victory Park	12.83	Victory	North	Yes	No	No	3	3	6615	1	2	21.1%	1
40	37	-3	Jackson Square Park	12.50	Holland	Northeast/Southeast	Yes	Yes	Yes	5	5	9446	2	2	27.8%	2
41	61	-20	St. Anthony Park	12.40	St. Anthony East	Northeast/Southeast	Yes	No	No	3	3	8851	2	2	11.2%	0
42	44	-2	Audubon Park	12.38	Audubon Park	Northeast/Southeast	No	No	No	0	0	7629	2	2	17.9%	1
43	20	-3	Bethune Park	11.73	Bethune	Northeast/Southeast	Yes	Yes	Yes	5	5	6173	1	1	36.5%	2

Guiding Citywide Park Design and Uses

- Up next: visioning process and engagement around park uses
- The goal for this overall process is not to redesign specific park spaces
- The aim is to develop or refine guidance for future projects, based on needs assessment and open space vision

playful
inclusive
relaxing
healthy
creative
green

(Examples of aspects of a vision)

Stay Involved

For More Information:

- Visit our project page: cambridgema.gov/openspaceplan
- Contact Gary Chan at gchan@cambridgema.gov

More Ways to Engage (links on project page):

- Take our survey(s)
- Sign up for our email list
- Sign up for (virtual) office hours

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Cambridge Commission for Persons with Disabilities

Minutes for Thursday, January 13, 2022

Online via Zoom

Meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm

Present:

Members: Loring Brinckerhoff, Avril dePagter, Mary Devlin, Jerry Friedman, Stelios Gragoudas, Nicole Horton-Stimpson, Phil Kongtcheu and Dan Stubbs

Absent: Gary Dmytryk, Valerie Hammond, and Jackie Jones

Staff: Rachel Tanenhaus and Kate Thurman

Minutes:

- A motion to approve the minutes for the December meeting was seconded and passed.

Presentation by the Disabled Persons Protection Commission (DPPC):

- See attached presentation, "Reporting Abuse and Neglect of Persons with Disabilities" by Sarah Nechamen, Outreach and Training Specialist. (Content warning: Descriptions of abuse of people with disabilities).

Introduction of CCPD's New Police Liaison:

- Deputy Superintendent John Boyle introduced himself as CCPD's new police liaison.
- Deputy Boyle is the commanding officer of night operations (11:00 PM – 7:00 AM). He also commands the Harvard and Central Square walking initiative, in which police officers patrol those areas.
- He reported working closely with the Harvard and MIT police departments.
- The Police Department has a Community Relations Unit that is specially trained to work with elderly affairs and mental health issues.
- The Department also has a full-time psychiatrist and social workers on staff.
- He invited members to reach out to him at jboyle@cambridgepolice.org with any questions or concerns.

CCPD Meeting Expectations:

- Kate said that the Commission has in the past developed meeting expectations and wondered if current members may be interested in doing so, as well. Members will take some time to think about what they want to set as meeting expectations.

Public Works Update:

- Jerry Friedman said that DPW has submitted their budgets to City Council for the next fiscal year. They are requesting a significant increase in their budget for miscellaneous sidewalk work. Those funds are used to identify and repair sidewalks, curb ramps, and driveways that fall outside of the major capital projects like Inman Square or River Street reconstruction. DPW plans to use the increase in funds for smaller projects in order to clear a backlog of repair requests. Jerry encouraged folks to continue reporting sidewalk accessibility issues via SeeClickFix or to Rachel and Kate.

Chair's Report:

- Phil and his company have been in touch with the Internal Revenue Service's (IRS) division that specializes in working with people with disabilities. He reported that he has met with the Mayor about assisting people with disabilities in Cambridge with filing taxes. Phil is trying to see if he can do so during the current tax season. This is a project he is carrying out independently from the CCPD Board.
- He said that a lot of training, equipment, and volunteers will be involved.

- Phil asked members to let him know if they are interested in helping with this project.

New Business:

- A few members expressed interest in having Deputy Superintendent John Boyle attend every CCPD meeting.
 - Staff can also arrange for officers from the Police Department's Community Relations Unit and Youth divisions to present at a CCPD meeting.
 - There was interest in learning more about how the Police Department communicates with people with disabilities, including those who are deaf or hard of hearing and those with disabilities that affect their speech.
- Avril said that she has done a lot of research into The Ride and has discovered that they are no longer able to pick up passengers in some specific locations because of bus and/or separated bike lanes. She also reported that ridership has increased significantly in the past few years.

Meeting adjourned at 6:52 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Kate Thurman



Reporting Abuse and Neglect of Persons with Disabilities

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DISABLED PERSONS PROTECTION COMMISSION

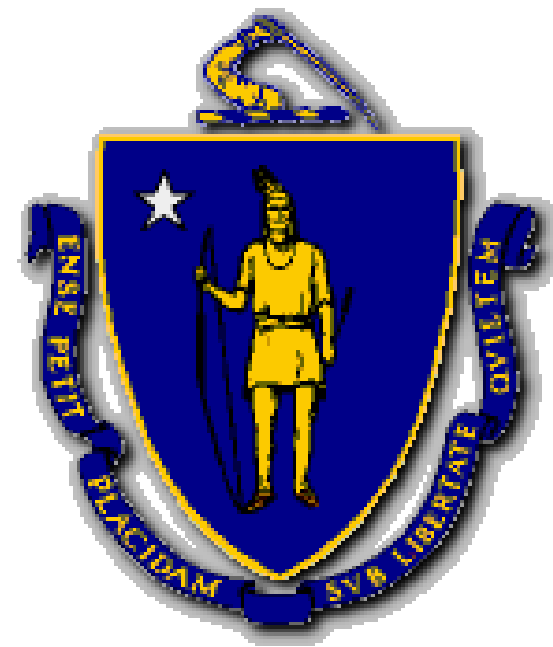
OUTREACH AND TRAINING SPECIALIST

Disabled Persons Protection Commission (DPPC)

Independent state agency responsible for:

- The **investigation and remediation** of abuse
- Against **adults with disabilities**
- By **caregivers**

mass.gov/dppc



Reporting Agencies for Abuse Against Persons with Disabilities

Department of
Children and
Families

DCF

Birth-17

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5200

**Disabled Persons
Protection
Commission**

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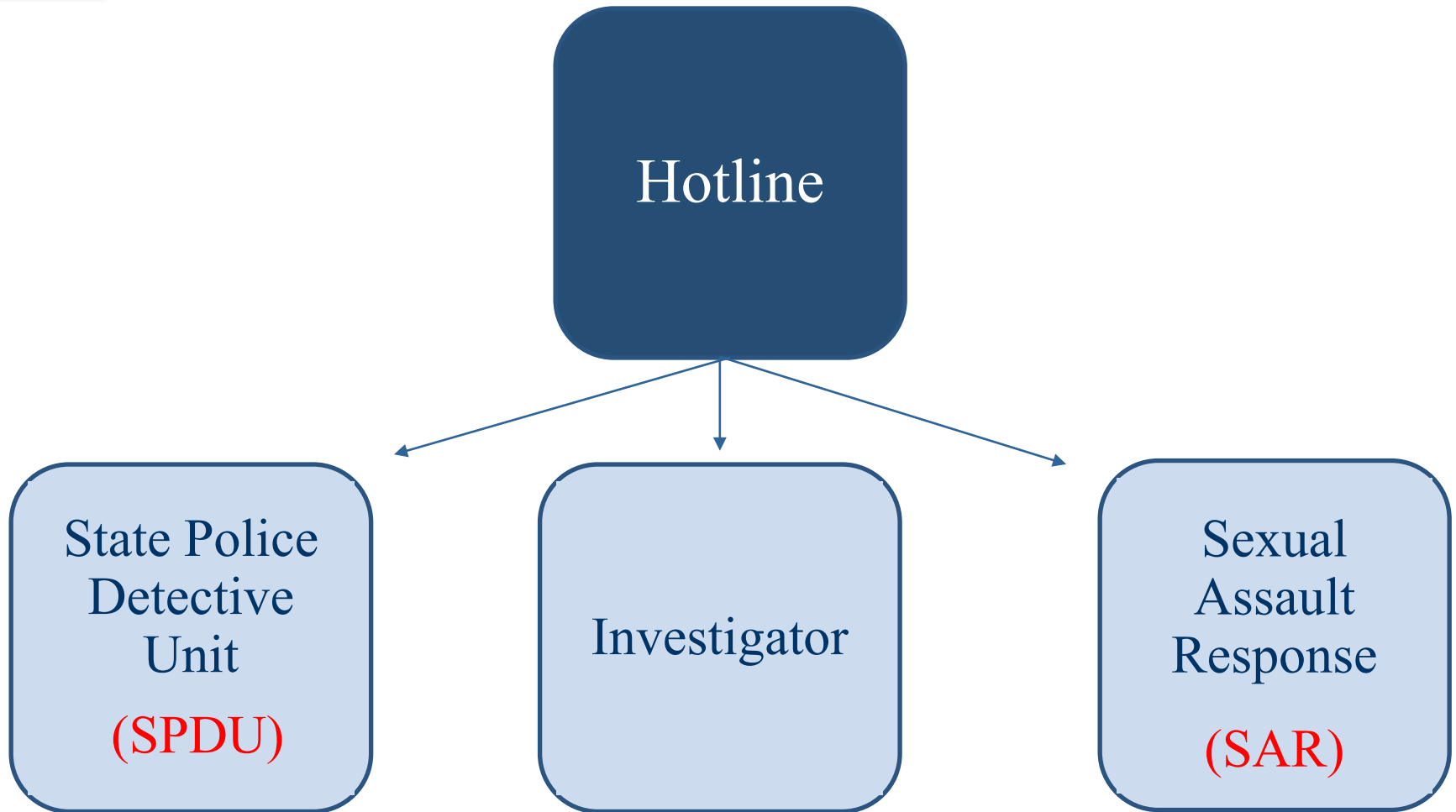
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of Elder Affairs

EOEA

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Screening of Reports



Protective Services

To Support the Victim

- Counseling
- Healthcare
- Peer Support
- Transportation
- Additional necessary services and supports

To Prevent Future Abuse

- Respite services
- Staff training
- Policy changes
- Staffing ratios
- Agency action

What Is Reportable?

Scenario:

Brian is a member of the Cambridge Commission on Disability. His next-door neighbor is a man named Arthur, who has an intellectual disability and attends a Day Program outside of town. Twice recently, Arthur has returned from the Day Program with injuries, and he has been more withdrawn than usual. Brian suspects some sort of abuse is happening at the program— but he has no proof. He hasn't seen anyone abuse Arthur and Arthur hasn't told him anything.

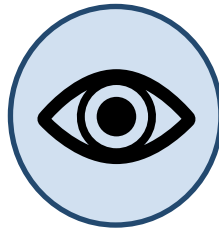
Do these circumstances warrant a report to DPPC?

What is Reportable?

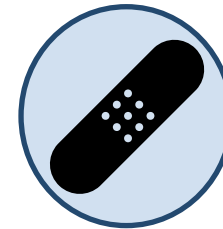
The standard for reporting
in Massachusetts is
reasonable cause to believe
that abuse or neglect exists

Determining Reasonable Cause

You witness
abuse or
neglect



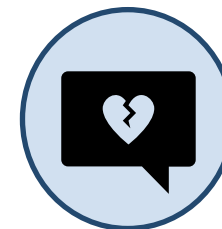
You notice
an injury



Someone
disclosed it
to you



Changes in
mood or
behavior



What Should I Report?

Physical
abuse

Emotional
abuse

Sexual
abuse

Neglect/
Omission

Deaths*

How to File an Abuse Report?

Call the DPPC 24-Hour Hotline
at

1-800-426-9009

*Deaf and hard of hearing callers, please use
VRS or MARElay (711) to contact the DPPC hotline.

What is a Mandated Reporter?

- A person, who as a result of their profession, is more likely to be aware of abuse
- List of Mandated Reporters is defined in M.G.L. 19C

DPPC Mandated Reporters*

- Medical personnel
- Medical examiners
- Social workers
- Foster parents
- Police Officers
- Dentists
- Public or private school teachers
- Educational administrators
- Psychologists
- Family or guidance counselors
- Animal Control Officers
- Day care workers
- **Private agencies** providing services to people with disabilities
- **State agencies** within the Executive Office of Health and Human Services

*Includes interns and volunteers

FREE DPPC MANDATED REPORTER TRAINING

Virtual and in-person trainings on reporting abuse of persons with disabilities, offered by the Disabled Persons Protection Commission (DPPC)



LEARN

how to recognize signs of abuse, what you're required to report and how to report.



CONTACT

DPPCInfo@massmail.state.ma.us to schedule a virtual or in-person training for your organization.



SIGN UP

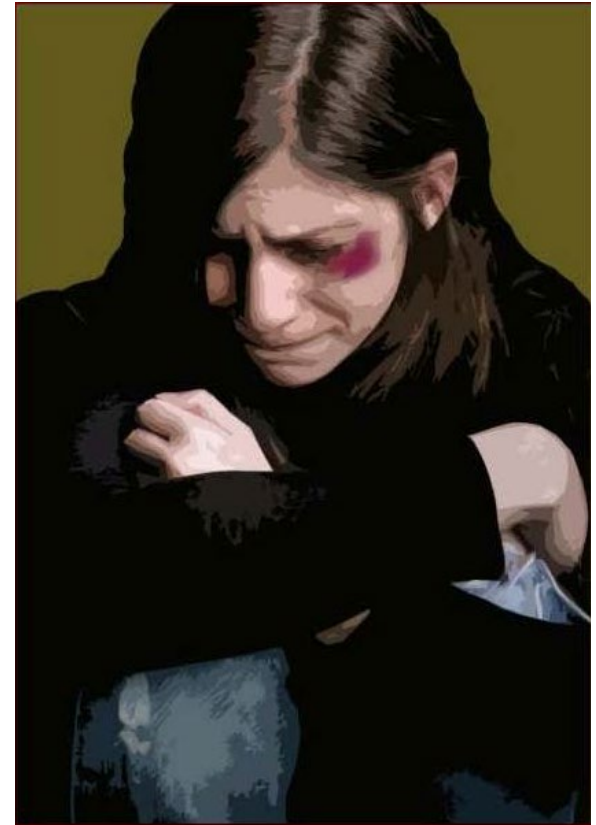
for one of our bi-monthly virtual trainings at dppcmandatedreportertraining.eventbrite.com

Recognizing Abuse and Neglect of Persons with Disabilities

Handout Available

Indicators of Physical Abuse

- Bruises
- Human bite marks
- Unexplained internal injuries
- Fractures, sprains, dislocations
- Burns shaped like an object
- **Injuries to mouth**
- Extreme changes in behavior



Examples of Emotional Abuse

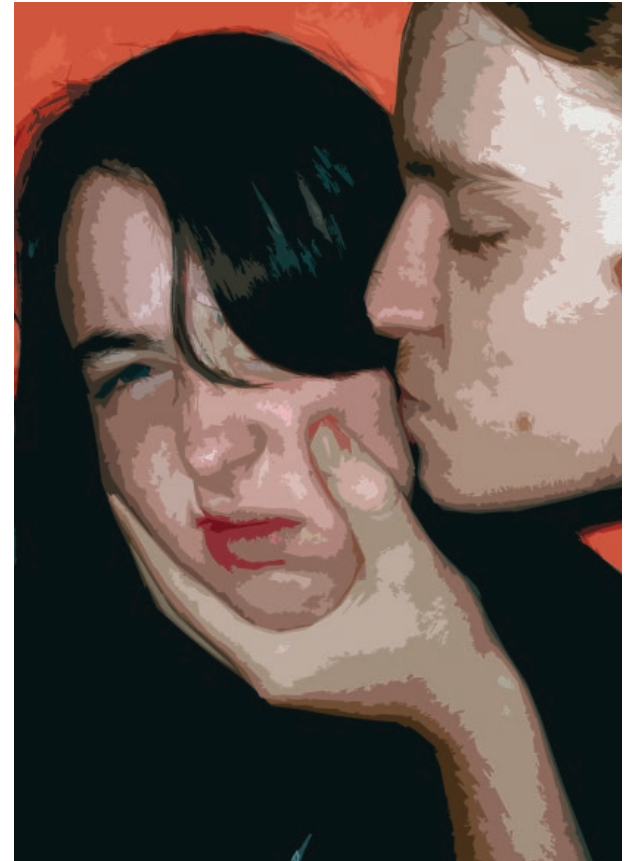
- Screaming, shouting, yelling, cursing
- Threatening violence
- Making discriminatory remarks, degrading
- Mimicking, cruel teasing
- Sexual harassment
- **Threatening** withdrawal of food, shelter, care, clothes, possessions or necessary equipment
- Using demeaning labels
- Silent treatment
- Intimidating gestures

Emotional Abuse: Behavioral Indicators

- Obsess, worry, anxious, cry easily and frequently
- Low self-esteem
- Sudden loss or gain of appetite/weight
- **Fear of caregiver**
- Self-injurious behavior
- Emotionally withdrawn or anger
- Distrust of others
- Difficulty getting out of bed/sleeping

Indicators of Sexual Abuse

- Genital or rectal bleeding
- Bruising to inner thighs
- Difficulty walking or sitting
- Torn/stained clothing/bedding
- Exposure to sexually explicit material
- **Unexplained gifts from caregiver**
- Frequent bathing
- Urinary tract infections/STDs
- Extreme changes in behavior



Indicators of Neglect/Omission

- Dehydration or malnutrition
- Outdated/unmarked medications
- Decubiti (bedsores), skin rashes
- Evidence of poor hygiene
- Individual to individual abuse
- Lacks needed equipment



Contact Us

Sarah Nechamen

Outreach and Training Specialist at DPPC

Sarah.Nechamen@mass.gov



***Abuse Reporting Hotline
(800) 426-9009***