A Towering Achievement: Keeping Housing Affordable for 1,000 Residents
After two years of the pandemic, you may have had your fill of public health guidance and restrictions. While many of us are experiencing pandemic fatigue, the Cambridge Public Health Department urges everyone to stay vigilant.

The number of residents with COVID-19 increased in January, and it may take some time before infection rates go down to a safer level. While many people do appear to be experiencing milder symptoms, we are still seeing many hospitalizations due to COVID-19, especially among unvaccinated people. By doing your part, you can:

- Protect vulnerable residents. Massachusetts has high vaccination rates, but there are still unvaccinated and unboosted residents in the community, including young children. Some people, such as those who are immunocompromised, can get very sick or die even if vaccinated.

- Support the health care system. Local hospitals will likely remain crowded and understaffed this winter due to COVID-19. This means that it may be challenging to find a hospital bed if you or a loved one needs to be hospitalized for any reason. The more COVID-19 illness that can be prevented, the safer it will be for anyone seeking hospital services.

- Help avoid disruptions. As long as the virus is spreading easily in the community, we can expect that a large number of people will be out sick from work at any given time. Fewer workers means ongoing disruptions in our daily lives, be it canceled flights or bus routes, shuttered day care facilities or schools, or fewer choices in supermarkets and other stores.

Here is a reminder of the best ways to slow the spread of COVID-19:

- Get vaccinated and boosted.
- Wear a high-quality mask.
- Get tested if you have symptoms or are exposed to someone with COVID-19.
- Reconsider hosting or attending indoor social gatherings.
- Follow isolation and quarantine guidance.

Thank you for continuing to do your part to help protect the Cambridge community!
City Manager’s Message

On January 3, 2022, the city celebrated the swearing-in of the 2022-2023 Cambridge City Council during an outdoor ceremony held at Starlight Square in Central Square. The City Council’s first official act was to elect a mayor for the upcoming term. I want to congratulate Mayor Siddiqui and welcome the new and returning members of the City Council.

I look forward to working with City Council to achieve its policy goals and ensuring the FY23 Budget reflects the City’s priorities. Our exceptional fiscal planning, combined with the close collaboration with the Council, has allowed the City to respond to the COVID-19 Pandemic while continuing to provide the wide range of programs, initiatives, and services our residents and local businesses expect from the City.

I want to thank the City staff who have worked tirelessly to respond to the surge of COVID-19 cases caused by the Omicron variant heading into and following the New Year. The public health infrastructure we have put in place over the past two years has proved invaluable. From free City run COVID-19 testing sites, vaccination and booster clinics, and robust public information and public health guidance efforts, we had the tools ready to help our community deal with the increase in cases and provide our residents with the resources they need to protect themselves.

We know that receiving a COVID-19 vaccination followed by a booster dose is the single best way to combat the COVID-19 Pandemic. I urge everyone who is eligible for a vaccine or booster shot to receive one. Our public health experts tell us that the current vaccines are expected to protect against severe illness, hospitalizations, and deaths due to COVID-19 infection, including with the Omicron variant. As of late January, over 90% of Cambridge residents had received at least one dose of vaccine.

As we enter the third year of COVID-19, we are all frustrated and weary. Activities that were thought to be reasonably safe for vaccinated people a few months ago now carry greater risk. Your decisions that may expose you to COVID-19 also affect your household, friends, family, coworkers, and community members (including unvaccinated children, individuals with weakened immune systems, and other vulnerable people). Yet, we know the steps we need to take as individuals and as a community. By receiving the recommended COVID-19 vaccines, wearing a mask when around others outside our household, staying home when feeling ill, maintaining good hand hygiene, and adhering to isolation and quarantine recommendations, we will make a huge impact on helping to bring the Pandemic to an end.

City Manager Louis A. DePasquale

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Cover: Aerial view of Fresh Pond Apartments Photo: Kyle Klein.

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A TOWERING ACHIEVEMENT: KEEPING HOUSING AFFORDABLE FOR 1,000 RESIDENTS

Cambridge is at the forefront of affordable housing initiatives. Affordable housing remains the City’s top priority, and we will continue making robust investments to support this important goal.

– Cambridge City Manager, Louis A. DePasquale
Fresh Pond Apartments represent a microcosm of Cambridge’s diversity and vibrancy.

Steps from the Alewife station, three soaring brick towers punctuate the North Cambridge landscape. Walking the winding park paths nearby, you’ll hear various languages against a backdrop of children playing. Fresh Pond Apartments represent a microcosm of Cambridge’s diversity and vibrancy. It’s fitting that these high rises, home to over 1,000 residents, would be the neighborhood’s most notable landmark.

The apartment complex has provided affordable housing to residents in Cambridge since its construction in 1970. In October 2020, the City announced it had reached an agreement with the Schochet Companies to preserve affordability of all 504 units at Fresh Pond Apartments as part of longstanding efforts to ensure affordability for the next generation of families.

“I am so pleased that the 504 units at Fresh Pond will remain affordable for the next 50 years,” said Mayor Sumbul Siddiqui. “Having lived there myself, I know how essential each one of those units are to the community.”

Through FY21, the City has appropriated over $246.5 million toward affordable housing initiatives. These funds have been used to preserve or create more than 3,721 affordable units to date.

Finch Cambridge
This 98-unit building in Alewife is the largest new development of affordable housing in Cambridge in 40 years. Completed in 2020, this sustainable, resilient, and affordable building is now home to nearly 100 low-, moderate-, and middle-income households. Finch has also received Passive House certification and meets the highest energy-efficiency and sustainability standards. Located across from the Fresh Pond Reservoir, Finch Cambridge promises to provide a holistic healthy living environment for its residents through a range of amenities that support mobility, community, and access to nature.

Frost Terrace
Residents recently moved into new homes at Frost Terrace in the heart of Porter Square, providing affordable homes to 40 households in a bustling, transit-oriented, and dynamic neighborhood. The sustainable building is LEED certified, complete with solar panels, stormwater management, and energy efficiency equipment. A historic preservation project in addition to an affordable housing project, this charming and restored building enhances the streetscape while providing affordable housing for years to come.

Squirrelwood
Last year, 23 new affordable units were completed in the Port neighborhood in an effort which also preserved affordability of 45 units at Linwood and 20 units at the nearby Squirrelwood Apartments. The combined effort includes units for households with a broad range of incomes, including housing for extremely low-income households (under 30% Area Median Income [AMI]), low and moderate income households (30%-60% AMI), and moderate income households (60%-100% AMI).

For more information about affordable housing opportunities in Cambridge, visit cambridgema.gov/housing.
Since its introduction in Cambridge in 2014, Participatory Budgeting (PB) has served as a unique way of directly involving residents in the budgeting and city-building process, fostering civic engagement and community spirit, and helping ensure that the City’s capital plan reflects the priorities of Cambridge residents and stakeholders.

Participatory Budgeting is a democratic process in which community members directly decide how to spend part of a public budget. In Cambridge, the process to submit project improvement ideas and later to vote on the projects added to a community ballot, is open to residents ages 12 and older, including all 6th graders, as well as non U.S. citizens and university students living in Cambridge.

During the first eight PB cycles, Cambridge residents voted to spend over $6.3 million, funding projects like trees, technology for the Community Learning Center and Cambridge Public Library, upgrades to Cambridge Youth Centers, laundry access at Cambridge Rindge and Latin School (CRLS), and critical resource kits for unhoused residents.

“This year’s strong turnout is a testament to the passion our residents have for their community. We had the second highest voter participation rate in Cambridge’s PB history. I am extremely proud that we continue to engage the public with the City’s budgeting process. Thanks to Participatory Budgeting, Cambridge residents become true stakeholders in deciding community-driven capital projects. I am thrilled to be able to add an additional $140,000 to this year’s cycle to fully fund electric vehicle charging stations as a seventh winning project,” stated Cambridge City Manager Louis A. DePasquale.

The latest PB cycle generated 1,070 ideas for consideration. Over 50 Volunteer Budget Delegates worked on five committees to research and evaluate those ideas and developed 20 final proposals for a community vote through the PB Ballot process. In December, 7,441 Cambridge residents voted on how to spend $1 million of the City’s FY23 Capital Budget.

The following 7 projects won $1,140,000 in FY23 Capital Funding:
- Home Essentials for Newly Housed Residents ($60,000)
- Keep Cambridge Clean ($80,000)
- STEAM Upgrades for Youth Centers ($110,000)
- Public Bathroom ($400,000)
- African American & Indigenous Peoples Historical Reckoning Project ($180,000)
- Traffic Signals for Cyclists ($60,000)
- Electric Vehicle Charging Stations ($250,000)

To learn more about PB winning projects, visit pb.cambridgema.gov. For more information, contact the City’s Budget Office at pb@cambridgema.gov or 617-349-4270.

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Learn what some Cambridge residents had to say about Participatory Budgeting:

“PB is such a unique way to get community input – I think it’s fantastic. I’m a bit of a PB evangelist – every time we’re about to have another round, I contact my co-workers who live in Cambridge and send them a link for it. I also think it’s wonderful that you allow kids as young as 12 to vote; my teenaged son thinks it’s great and has voted in every round and even submitted a couple of ideas. What a great way to cultivate interest in voting and democracy. Thanks for trusting your citizens enough to do this project.” – PB Participant

“It helps Cambridge to remain on the forefront of the movement for diverse, creative, compassionate and sustainable cities.” – PB Participant

“I think it’s really cool that people who aren’t born here and non-citizens can vote, and kids can vote too.” – PB Voter

“As a permanent resident in the US who otherwise has no political say, I’m delighted to have been able to participate in this budgeting process.” – PB Voter

“Participatory Budgeting is not only a great idea, it’s the right way to approach community engagement.” – PB Survey Respondent
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New Designs Improve Interior Layouts of Fire Houses

A multi-year, $72 million renovation of Cambridge’s 8 fire stations, many of which were built in the late 1800s, is well underway. In FY18, an initial appropriation of $2 million provided funds for immediate repairs to multiple fire stations to improve working and living conditions.

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Taylor Square, Station 8 (113 Garden Street). A $7.2 million renovation included extensive building and energy saving upgrades, with geothermal HVAC system, LED lighting, a new roof and solar panels. The building was deep cleaned and painted and the kitchen was refurbished. Lighting protection and an emergency generator were also installed.

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In 1634, William Wood described Cambridge as “one of the neatest and best compacted Townes in New England, having many faire structures, with many handsome contrived streets” (New Englands Prospect). All of the “faire structures”—houses, outbuildings, and the meetinghouse—were constructed of wood, and many were initially thatched with salt marsh hay. In March 1631, Thomas Dudley decreed that “no man … shall build his chimney with wood, nor cover his roof with thatch.”

In 1834, the town built a handsome brick firehouse known as Cambridge 1; (note the name carved into the granite lintel over the main door in photo above). The building was enlarged in 1864 when the company acquired a new steam pump engine (also shown in the photo). The men, except for the driver, wear tall fire helmets. The frock-coated gentleman in front of the horses may be the company foreman, George O. Rollins.

Photo 1864. Courtesy The Bostonian Society.

The “Cambridge 1” lintel lives on. In 1922, it was incorporated into the façade of a garage that replaced the station, then stuccoed over in 1947 when the building became a restaurant. The lintel was uncovered in 2001 and may still be seen today at 27 Church Street.

Later, the town required that chimneys be swept monthly and every household have a ladder to reach the top of the house. Fighting fires began as a community effort, with neighbor helping neighbor; private fire societies were formed later. Not until 1832 did the Massachusetts legislature establish the Cambridge Fire Department. The first company, mainly volunteers, managed six hand-operated engines and one ladder truck.
On April 15, 1861, when President Lincoln called for volunteers after the Confederate attack on Fort Sumter, Cambridge was ready: James Richardson, a lawyer in Central Square, had organized a company of local men back in January. Richardson was known as a “fire buff,” and many of his volunteers were firefighters stationed at the Engine No. 2 firehouse.

Built in 1852, it was the largest of the city’s three fire stations and is now the oldest intact firehouse in Cambridge. When a new fire station was built in Lafayette Square in 1894, the old building passed through a series of owners until purchased by the Christian Mission Holiness Church in 1916.

In 1875, Cambridge’s municipal facilities were consolidated at the new City Building on Eliot Square with ample space for a courtroom, police station, firehouse, schoolrooms, and 28 jail cells. It was demolished in 1935 after the Cambridge Fire Department moved to its present headquarters on Broadway.

The City building accommodated two fire companies: Engine No. 1 with its gleaming steam pump and 3-horse team, and Hose No. 1, pulled by two white horses. Fourteen men made up the companies.

Frederick Hastings Rindge, a son of Cambridge and its greatest benefactor, founded the Cambridge Manual Training School, designed its building, and devised the curriculum, which trained young men to take up useful work such as carpentry, mechanics, and firefighting. Incised over the entrance were lines composed by Rindge:

Work is one of our greatest blessings. Everyone should have an honest occupation.

Students at the school trained on professional equipment. Firefighting apparatus included hose carriages drawn by student crews, ladders, and axes. In the foreground of adjacent photo, crew members attach hoses to a hydrant; closer to the building, a crew wrestles with water-swollen hoses that young men haul to the roof on ladders.

Mechanized equipment was not introduced in Cambridge until the early 20th century. Before then, departments relied—literally—on horsepower.

Photo ca. 1889. CHC. Rindge Family Collection.

Photo ca. 1904. Dennis Sullivan, of Engine Company No. 7 on Main Street, is shown exercising firehouse horses, Charlie and Johnnie. CHC. Courtesy Mrs. H. Laurence.
John Kosko, a Cambridge resident who has spent 35 years in education, has been a member of the Scholarship Selection Committee from the very beginning and worked with other volunteers and City leaders on the establishment of the City of Cambridge Scholarship Program, helping develop initial protocols and guidelines for a citizen driven and funded program. Kosko added that the program has been tweaked slightly over the years as needed to make improvements.

“Working on the Scholarship program was a team driven activity between the Finance Department and six volunteers who each brought their own perspectives to the process,” said Kosko. “City Manager Louis DePasquale, who was head of Finance at the time, was very involved in improving the Scholarship Program and growing it in a way that is representative of what Cambridge as a community tries to do -- to assist people in need and be inclusive in supporting members of our diverse community.”

Kosko explained that the Committee’s Scholarship application review process is very thorough and anonymous, in that they do not know the applicant’s name. Each application is evaluated and ranked based on academic achievement,

“We are extremely grateful to our very generous corporate donors, business owners, and Cambridge residents who have helped us grow this fund over the years, as well as to the Scholarship Selection Committee members who give their time and carefully review all applications. Their generosity enables the City to support so many Cambridge residents facing the increasing financial challenges for post-secondary education.”

— Cambridge City Manager Louis A. DePasquale

City Scholarship Helps Residents Offset Increasing Educational Expenses

The City of Cambridge Scholarship Fund was established in 1993 to provide financial assistance to Cambridge residents who wish to pursue post-secondary education. In 2021, the City of Cambridge awarded 80 scholarships of $3,000 each for a total of $240,000. Since the program’s inception in 1993, the City has awarded 1,188 scholarships totaling $2.9 million.

“Make a Contribution

Checks made payable to the City of Cambridge Scholarship Fund may be mailed to:

Cambridge Scholarship Fund, City of Cambridge, P.O. Box 2005, Cambridge, MA 02139 or can be dropped off in person at City Hall, in the Finance Department Cashier’s window during regular business hours.

Contributions can also be made online at Cambridgema.gov/cityscholarship.
**APPLY FOR A SCHOLARSHIP ONLINE**

Interested residents may review eligibility requirements and apply for the 2022 City Scholarship online at Cambridgema.gov/cityscholarship.

*The application deadline is March 7, 2022*

- Hard copies of the application are also available through Cambridge Public Schools and at Cambridge City Hall, 795 Massachusetts Avenue.
- Questions and requests for applications via mail can be directed to the Finance Department at 617-349-4220 or Scholarships@cambridgema.gov.

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“The successful program which benefits our community so greatly is dependent upon voluntary donations. If you have not donated in the past, we encourage you to consider making a donation this year. These scholarships are very important to our students.”

— David Kale, Assistant City Manager for Finance, City of Cambridge

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A year and a half after graduating, I made the first big move in my career by coming to work for the City of Cambridge. I will always be grateful to the City for this scholarship.”

Farheen Abhura, a 2016 Scholarship Recipient shares her thoughts on the program:

**“Applying for the City of Cambridge Scholarship in 2016 was very important for me. Being a part of the first generation in my family to go to college came with a lot of pressure. I had younger siblings for whom my parents also had to save money for. I started working at age 14 with the sole purpose of not being dependent on my parents, so that they would not have to worry more than they should.

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Photo (opposite page): 2019 City Scholarship Recipients and City officials.
“With the Public Space Lab, we’re seeking new ways to enliven public spaces. It’s about finding quick and easy ways to add some joy and playfulness to our underutilized spaces in a way that fosters creativity, collaboration, and community building.”

— Cambridge City Manager Louis A. DePasquale
While many visitors choose to catch up with neighbors over a cup of coffee or sandwich from a nearby eatery, the welcoming seating area is open to everyone, no purchase necessary! The public patios have been met with high praise from the community and surrounding businesses, and the City is scoping out new locations and planning for a few more to pop up in spring 2022.

“The addition of the public patio in front of the shop has been the highlight of our year. Every day we see neighbors making use of the space. The little free craft supply libraries have been a great hit, and we love that we’re supporting creative exploration that is accessible to everyone,” said Shelley Barandes, owner of Albertine Press.

**Palmer Street**
This Harvard Square alleyway got a makeover last year thanks to the Public Space Lab. With the addition of colorful tables and chairs, a public piano, and magnetic poetry boards, visitors can now take a playful pause on Palmer Street.

**CloudHouse**
The City introduced this temporary pavilion to provide shade and seating in Greene-Rose Heritage Park in the Port neighborhood. CloudHouse has flexible seating and offers an inviting space to socialize and rest, especially on very hot days.

To learn more about this initiative and suggest ideas, visit Cambridgema.gov/PublicSpaceLab.
Puntos importantes de esta edición de The Cambridge Life

Cambridge se compromete a crear y preservar viviendas asequibles para sus residentes
- La vivienda asequible para nuestros residentes es la principal prioridad del Gobierno de la Ciudad.
- El Gobierno de la Ciudad ayudó a salvar 569 unidades de viviendas asequibles, incluidos Fresh Pond Apartaments.
- Desde 2020, en Cambridge se construyeron más de 160 nuevas unidades de vivienda asequible.

A través del presupuesto participativo, los residentes pueden proponer ideas y participar de votaciones para proyectos que permitan realizar mejoras en Cambridge
- El presupuesto participativo permite que los residentes decidan cómo invertir el dinero en proyectos que son importantes para ellos.
- Los residentes de la ciudad votaron para que se invierta un total de $6.3 millones en proyectos que permiten mejorar nuestra comunidad.
- Los residentes de 12 años de edad o más, incluidos los que no son residentes de los Estados Unidos, pueden participar en el proceso anual de Presupuesto Participativo.

El programa de Becas del gobierno de la Ciudad aumenta la inversión para ayudar a los residentes
- El programa de Becas del gobierno de la Ciudad brinda ayuda financiera a estudiantes y adultos que deseen continuar su formación luego de concluir la preparatoria.
- Desde 1993, el Gobierno de la Ciudad invirtió $2,9 millones, con los cuales se otorgaron 1188 becas a residentes.
- Si desea solicitar una beca por Internet, ingrese a: www.Cambridgema.gov/cityscholarship. La fecha límite es el 7 de marzo de 2022.

Se realizan importantes renovaciones en las históricas estaciones de bomberos de Cambridge
- Las renovaciones en las estaciones de bomberos ayudarán a mantener condiciones mas segura.
- El Departamento de Bomberos de Cambridge cuenta con un excelente nivel de personal y capacitación que permite que la ciudad se mantenga segura.
- El Gobierno de la Ciudad invierte millones de dólares para renovar las ocho estaciones de bomberos de la ciudad.
- La mayoría de nuestras estaciones de bomberos se construyeron en el siglo XIX, cuando los bomberos usaban equipos impulsados por caballos.

El Gobierno de la Ciudad convierte pequeños espacios en áreas comerciales para uso comunitario
- Cambridge cuenta con más de 80 parques, patios de juegos y espacios abiertos.
- El objetivo del Gobierno de la Ciudad es que todos puedan disfrutar de los espacios abiertos.
- Lo invitamos a que nos ayuden a planificar cómo se utilizarán los futuros parques y espacios abiertos. Para conocer las formas de participar, ingrese a: www.Cambridgema.gov/OpenSpacePlan.

Combatar las ratas como comunidad
- Separar los alimentos de la basura y colocarlos en los contenedores de abono que proporciona el Gobierno de la Ciudad ayuda a prevenir problemas con los ratas.
- Los restos de comida constituyen el 40% de la basura doméstica.
- Asegúrese de que los contenedores de basura permanezcan tapados en todo momento.
- El Gobierno de la Ciudad ofrece inspecciones gratuitas y control de plagas a propiedades residenciales conformadas por una a cuatro unidades. Si desea obtener más información, ingrese a: www.Cambridgema.gov/Rodents.

Protéjase a sí mismo y proteja a su comunidad
- Obtenga su vacuna contra el COVID-19 y su vacuna de refuerzo.
- Use mascarilla todas las veces que sea posible.
- Antes de asistir a reuniones sociales, considere el riesgo al que se expone.
- Quédese en casa si siente malestar.
- Realicéese pruebas de detección.

Si desea obtener más información, ingrese a: www.cambridgema.gov/TCLSpanish

Si ingresa al sitio web del Gobierno de la Ciudad (www.Cambridgema.gov), puede elegir visualizarlo en varios idiomas.
Destaques nesta edição da Cambridge Life

Cambridge se comprometeu a criar e preservar moradias acessíveis para residentes
• Habitação acessível para nossos moradores é a principal prioridade da cidade.
• A Prefeitura ajudou a salvar 569 unidades de habitação a preços acessíveis, incluindo os Fresh Pond Apartments.
• Mais de 160 novas unidades habitacionais a preços acessíveis foram construídas em Cambridge desde 2020.

Orçamento Participativo pede aos residentes que compartilhem ideias e votem em projetos para melhorar Cambridge
• O Orçamento Participativo permite que os moradores decidam como gastar dinheiro em projetos importantes para eles.
• Os moradores da cidade votaram em US$ 6,3 milhões em projetos para melhorar nossa comunidade.
• Residentes com 12 anos ou mais, incluindo não residentes nos EUA, podem participar do processo anual de Orçamento Participativo.

Bolsa de estudos da cidade ajuda os moradores a aumentar as despesas educacionais
• O programa de Bolsa de estudos da cidade oferece ajuda financeira a estudantes e adultos que buscam educação além do ensino médio.
• Desde 1993, a cidade concedeu US$ 2,9 milhões em bolsas de estudo para 1.188 residentes.
• Você pode se inscrever para a bolsa de estudos online em www.Cambridgema.gov/cityscholarship. Os prazos se encerram em 7 de março de 2022.

Grandes reformas nos quartéis de bombeiros históricos de Cambridge em andamento
• Os quartéis de bombeiros renovados ajudarão a manter os bombeiros seguros.
• O Corpo de Bombeiros de Cambridge possui excelentes equipamentos e treinamento para manter a cidade segura.
• A Prefeitura está gastando milhões de dólares para renovar seus 8 quartéis de bombeiros.
• A maioria de nossos quartéis de bombeiros foi construída em 1800, quando os bombeiros usavam equipamentos movidos a cavalo.

Cidade converte pequenos espaços em áreas comerciais para uso comunitário
• Cambridge tem mais de 80 parques, playgrounds e espaços abertos.
• A cidade quer que todos aproveitem nossos espaços abertos.
• Queremos que você nos ajude a planejar como usar futuros parques e espaços abertos. Para saber como participar, visite www.Cambridgema.gov/OpenSpacePlan.

Combatendo os ratos como uma comunidade
• Separar os alimentos do lixo e colocá-los em lixeiras que a Prefeitura fornece ajuda a combater problemas com roedores.
• Restos de comida compõem 40% do lixo doméstico.
• Certifique-se de que as latas de lixo estejam sempre cobertas.

Proteja-se e à sua comunidade
• Obtenha sua vacina contra a COVID-19 e a dose de reforço.
• Use sua máscara o máximo possível.
• Pense no seu risco antes de participar de reuniões sociais.
• Fique em casa se estiver se sentindo mal.
• Teste-se.

Saiba mais em: www.cambridgema.gov/TCLPortuguese

Pwen Enpòtan nan Edisyōn The Cambridge Life sa a

Cambridge Pran Angajman nan Kreyasyon ak Prezèvasyon Lojman Abòdab pou Rezidan li yo
- Lojman abòdab pou rezidan nou yo se pryorite prensipal Vil la.
- Vil la te te ede sove 569 apatman lojman abòdab, ki genyen ladann Fresh Pond Apartments.

Bidjè Patisipatif la Mande Rezidan yo pou Pataje Lide ak Vote sou Pwojè pou Amelyore Cambridge
- Bidjè Patisipatif pèmèt rezidan yo deside fason pou depanse lajan sou pwojè ki enpòtan pou yo.
- Rezidan Vil la te vote pwojè pou $6.3 milyon dola pou amelyore kominote nou an.
- Rezidan ki genyen 12 lane oswa pi plis, sa ki genyen ladann rezidan ki pa ameriken, ki patsi pe nan pwosesis an yèl Bidjè Patisipatif la.

Bous Vil la Ede Rezidan ki Gen Ogmantasyon Depans
- Pwojè Bous Vil la pote èd fi nansyè pou ede elèv ak granmoun k ap chache edikasyon ki pi lwen pase nivo segondè.
- Depi 1993, Vil la te bay 1,188 rezidan bous pou $2.9 milyon.

Gwo Modènizasyon nan Estasyon Ponpye Istorik Cambrige Ap Avanse
- Estasyon ponpye modènize yo pral ede kenbe ponpye yo an sekirite.
- Depatman Ponpye Cambridge genyen ekipman bon kalite ak fòmasyon pou kenbe Vil la an sekirite.
- Vil la ap depanse plizyè milyon dola pou modènize 8 estasyon ponpye.
- Yo te konstwi pifò estasyon ponpye yo nan ane 1800 yo epok ponpye yo te konn sévi ak ekipman ke cheval deplase.

Vil la Konvèti Plizyè Ti Espas an Zòn Komèsyal pou Itilizasyon Kominote a
- Cambridge genyen plis pase 80 pak, teren jó, ak espas ouvri.
- Vil la vle tout moun pwofite espas ouvri nou yo.

Konbat Rat antanke Kominote
- Separe manje nan fatra epi mete li nan poubèl konpòs Vil la bay yo ede konbat pwoblèm ak rat yo.
- Rèz manje reprezante 40% fatra domestik.
- Asire w ke barik fatra yo kouvri toutan.

Pwoteje Tèt ou ak Kominote W
- Pran vaksen COVID-19 ou ak piki b oustè w.
- Mete mask ou otan ke sa posib.
- Panse ak risk ou avan w ale asiste rasanbleman sosyal.
- Rete lakay ou si w san ti w malad.
- Fè tès.

Aprann plis sou: www.cambridgema.gov/TCLHaitianCreole

النقاط البارزة في هذا العدد من The Cambridge Life

• ينتمم مدينة كامبريدج بتوفر مساحات مسورة التكلفة للسكان والحفاظ عليها.
• يمثل تفاوت السعر الميسورية التكلفة للسكان أولى أولويات المدينة.
• وقد ساعدت المدينة إلى توفير 569 وحدة سكنية بأسعار Fresh Pond Apartments.
• ونبتت أكثر من 110 وحدة سكنية جديدة ميسورة التكلفة في مدينة كامبريدج منذ عام 2020.

تطلب المزاوقة الشارقة من السكان تبادل الأفكار والتصويت على المشروعات تطوير مناخ مدينة كامبريدج

• تجنب المزاوقة الشارقة للسكان تحدي كيفية إنتاج الأموال على المشروعات المهمة بالنسبة لهم.
• لقد صوت سكان المدينة على مشروعات تقدر بقيمة 13 مليون دولار تجريبيًا إلى تطوير مستدامًا.
• يمكن للسكان الذين تراوح أعمارهم بين 12 عامًا فأكثر، بما فيهم السكان غير حاملي الجنسية الأمريكية، المشاركة في عملية المزاوقة الشارقة السحوبية.

تساعد مدينة السكان في زيادة نفقات التعليم City Scholarship، مساعدة مالية للطلاب والباحثين الذين يرغبون في الحصول على فرص التعليم بعد مرحلة الثانوية.

• ومن عام 1993، منحت المدينة ما يقرب من 25 مليون دولار في شكل منح دراسية مما يقرب من 1886 ساكنًا.
• يمكنك التقديم بطلب الحصول على المنحة عبر الإنترنت.

• يمكن ترجمة موقع المدينة: www.cambridgemea.gov/TCLArabic

استمرار تنفيذ عمليات التجديد الرئيسية لملاحظات الأطفال التاريخية في مدينة كامبريدج

• تساعد ملاحظات الأطفال التي جدت بتحفظ على سلمية رجال الإطفاء.
• تتعلق إدارة إطفاء مدينة كامبريدج المعدات اللازمة وتتمتع برامج التدريب المتخصصة لاحتياجات سلامة المدينة.
• تتقن المدينة معيّنين الدورات لتجديد 8 ملاحظات إطفاء.
• يشترط ملاحظات إطفاء على الفترة التاسع عشر عند استخدام رجال الإطفاء معدات تقوية عربات بالخيل.
• تحول مدينة الممارسات الصغيرة في المناطق التجارية للاستخدام المجتمعي.

• تناول نزع كوفيد-19 والإجراءات العازلة.
• ارتفاع نسبة الوجوه في المراكز.
• فكر في المخاطر التي تهدد وقوع حضور المناسبات الاجتماعية.
• ابتكر موقف كوفيد-19 والإجراءات العازلة.
• أجر توصيات على نفسك.

• يمكن ترجمة موقع المدينة: www.Cambridgemea.gov/
দ্যা ক্যামব্রিজ লাইফের এই সংখ্যার হাইলাইট

রাসিদাদের জন্য সার্বিয় মূলকের আবাসন নির্মাণ এবং সংঘর্ষ করতে প্রতিশ্রুতি দেন

• আমাদের বাসিন্দাদের জন্য সার্বিয় মূলকের আবাসন হলো সিটির সর্বোচ্চ আকর্ষণ।
• সিটি উপর অ্যাপার্টমেন্ট সহ, সার্বিয় মূলকের আবাসনের 569 ইউনিট বাড়িতে সাহায্য করেছে।
• 2020 সাল থেকে ক্যামব্রিজে 160 টি নতুন সার্বিয় মূলকের আবাসন ইউনিট তৈরি করা হয়েছে।

অর্ঘ্যে মূলকের বাজারটি বাসিন্দাদের আইডিয়া শেয়ার করতে এবং ক্যামব্রিজের উন্নতির লক্ষ্যে প্রকল্প গঠিত হয়ে তোটা দিতে আমাদের জন্য।

• আর্থিক হিসেবে বাজারে বাসিন্দা তাদের কাজে ও স্বষ্টির লক্ষ্যে হারাকার ঠিক করতে আমাদের শাখাযাতে দিতে হবে।
• সিটির বাসিন্দারা আমাদের কমিউনিটির উন্নতির লক্ষ্যে প্রকল্প গঠিত হয়ে $6.3 মিলিয়ন টি বাড়ি তৈরি করেছে।
• অ্যাকিনস বাসিন্দারা সহ, 12 বছর বয়সের বাসিন্দারা, বার্থিক অর্থ মূলকের বাজার প্রতিযোগিতায় অংশগ্রহণ করতে পেরেন।

সিটি স্কুলের শিক্ষার বাসিন্দাদের বর্ধন শিক্ষা বর্ধনের ক্ষেত্রে সাহায্য করে

• সিটি প্ররোচিত ও উন্নত বিদ্যালয়ের বাইরে শিক্ষা প্রদানকারী সংগঠন যা শিক্ষকদের এবং প্রশিক্ষকদের আর্থিক সহায্য প্রদান করে।
• 1993 সাল থেকে, সিটি 1,188 জন শিক্ষককে $2.9 মিলিয়ন রুপি প্রদান করেছে।
• আর্থিক প্রচেষ্টায় জন্য অনন্য হওয়ার জন্য অনন্য হওয়ার জন্য www.Cambridgema.gov/cityscholarship এ নিয়মে দেখুন।

সিটির স্থলবিষয়ক ভাষায় ফায়ারের উপাদানগুলোর ব্যাপক সংগঠন করা হয়েছে।

• সর্বোচ্চ তরুণ ফায়ারের উপাদানগুলোর মূলক প্রকল্পের নির্মাণ প্রকল্পের প্রথম স্তরে জড়িত।
• সিটিতে সর্বশেষ নির্দেশ করতে ক্যামব্রিজ সর্বোচ্চ প্রকল্পের উদ্ধৃত সংরক্ষণ এবং প্রশিক্ষণ করেছে।
• সিটির হৃদয়ের প্রতি ফায়ারের নির্দেশিকা 1800 চতুর্থতা নির্দেশিকায় হিঁস্ত জ্ঞান বর্ধনকারী হওয়ার জন্য ব্যবহারযোগ্য করে তোলে।

• ক্যামব্রিজের স্যাটিভিসিক ফায়ারের উপাদানগুলীর সংগঠন করা হয়েছে।
• সিটির চাকরি বক্সের উদ্ধৃত সন্ধানগুলো উপভোগ করেক।
• আমাদের চাই আমাদের উদ্ধৃত সন্ধানগুলো কমিউনিটি বিশ্বাস করতে আমাদের সহায্য করতে।

উপজেলা এবং নিজের কমিউনিটিতে সর্বশেষ রাখুন

• আমাদের COVID-19 ভাস্করন এবং সর্দিত শর্ত নিন।
• যতক্ষণ শর্ত মাত্র পরে জ্ঞান নিন।
• সামরিক সর্বোচ্চের শয়ন দেওয়ার আগে নিজের বিজ্ঞাপন কথা ভাবুন।
• অবশ্যই বহু বহু বর্ধন এবং বাহু শাখা ভাবুন।
• পরীক্ষা করান।

আরো জানেন এখানে: www.cambridgema.gov/TCLBangla
সিটির ওয়েবসাইট, www.Cambridgema.gov-কে একাধিক ভাষায় অনুবাদ করা যাবে।

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剑桥 (Cambridge) 致力于为居民创造和保留经济适用房

- 为我市居民提供经济适用房是本市的重要任务。
- 本市已新增 569 套经济适用房，其中包括 Fresh Pond 公寓。
- 自 2020 年以来，剑桥已新建 160 多套经济适用房。

参与式预算部门请各位居民分享想法并给项目投票，以使剑桥越来越好

- 参与式预算部门让居民决定如何在对其重要的项目上花钱。
- 本市居民对 630 万美元的项目进行了投票，以改善我们的社区。
- 12 岁及以上的居民（包括非美国居民）可以参与年度参与性预算流程。

城市奖学金计划帮助居民承担日渐增加的教育费用

- 城市奖学金 (City Scholarship) 计划为寻求高中以上教育的学生和成年人提供经济帮助。
- 自 1993 年以来，本市已向 1188 位居民奖励奖学金 290 万美元。
- 您可以在线申请奖学金，网址：www.Cambridgema.gov/cityscholarship 截止日期为 2022 年 3 月 7 日。

剑桥历史悠久的消防站正在进行重大改造

- 改造后的消防站将有助于保护消防员的安全。
- 剑桥消防部门 (Cambridge Fire Department) 拥有优良的设备和训练，以确保本市安全。
- 本市正在花费数百万美元改造 8 个消防站。
- 我市大多数消防站始建于 19 世纪，当时消防员使用的还是马力设备。

本市转变商业区中小型空间的用途，为社区使用

- 剑桥有 80 多个公园、游乐场和开放空间。
- 本市希望人人都能享用我们的开放空间。
- 我们希望您能帮助我们规划如何使用未来的公园和开放空间。如欲了解参与方法，请访问 www.Cambridgema.gov/OpenSpacePlan

共同抗击老鼠

- 将垃圾中的食物分离出来并放入本市提供的堆肥箱，有助于解决啮齿动物问题。
- 餐厨垃圾占家庭垃圾的 40%。
- 要确保垃圾桶时刻被盖住。
- 本市为含有 1-4 个单元的住宅物业提供免费的检查和害虫防治服务。更多信息请访问 www.Cambridgema.gov/Rodents

保护自己和您的社区

- 接种 COVID-19 疫苗和加强针。
- 尽量佩戴口罩。
- 在参加社交聚会之前考虑一下风险。
- 如果感觉不适，请待在家中。
- 接受检测。

更多信息请访问：www.cambridgema.gov/TCLChinese

本市网站 www.Cambridgema.gov 可翻译成多种语言。
Rodents are a community problem that require a community solution, and the City of Cambridge is committed to confronting this problem in a variety of ways – by addressing rodent issues on public property, working to control rodents during construction projects, enforcing sanitary codes and ordinances, and educating the public. By working together with local businesses, property owners, and tenants, we can make Cambridge as free from rodents as possible.

**Combatting Rats as a Community**

**What Residents Can Do**

To control rats, you have to remove everything they need to survive: food, water, shelter and ways to get around.

- **Rats only need one ounce of food per day.**
- **The most important thing you can do to prevent rats on your property is to control their access to food.**
- **Bring trash and compost barrels to the curb as close to pick-up time as possible (7 a.m.).**
- **Compost as much food as possible to keep all food scraps and organics waste in tight-locking compost bin.**
- **Recycle as much as possible to reduce trash.**
- **Make sure you have enough trash barrels with tight lids to hold trash between pickups. If you have tenants, insist that they use the trash barrels.**
- **Use hard plastic or metal trash barrels with tight fitting lids.**
- **Don’t put food out for cats, pigeons, or squirrels.**
- **Put bird food in feeders only, and don’t overfeed. Consider not feeding birds until rodent problem subsides.**
- **When out in the city on the street or in a park, always put your litter in a barrel and do not feed birds or other wildlife to help deter rodents.**
- **Report rodent sightings using the City’s free Commonwealth Connect app for iPhone/Android or by emailing rodents@cambridgema.gov.**

**What the City Will Do**

The City’s Inspectional Services and Public Works departments work closely together to respond to rodent issues and complaints.

- **Use ordinances to regulate dumpsters and to tighten curbside pickup rules.**
- **Issue fines directly to curbside trash violators.**
- **Respond to resident complaints received quickly to investigate.**
- **Use strategies to identify problem areas like area sweeps to tag at-risk conditions, mapping of complaints, and enhanced staff training on rodent behavior and control.**
- **Install new public trash receptacles that keep rats out and more frequent trash collection in high-impact areas.**
- **Provide baiting/trapping on private property for residential properties with 4 or fewer units as part of the City’s new Private Property Rodent Control Program that offers 60 days of free rodent control at no cost to residents. Learn more and apply at cambridgema.gov/rodents.**

As part of Cambridge’s broader rodent control efforts, the City will be rolling out a standardized trash cart for curbside collection in spring 2022. The Department of Public Works will be delivering free new trash carts to all buildings that receive curbside collection services from the City.

To help control rats, these new carts will reduce trash spilling onto streets/sidewalks and serve as a replacement for many barrels across the city that show signs of rodent activity that provide as easy points of entry for rodents.

Learn more about the City’s efforts, what you can do, and report issues at cambridgema.gov/rodents.
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