



SOMERVILLE HOUSING AUTHORITY
MYSTIC NEWSLETTER

AUGUST 2026



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Somerville Housing Authority

MYSTIC END OF SUMMER PICNIC!
MONDAY, AUGUST 10TH | 3:00PM-6:00PM
ENJOY MUSIC, GAMES, FOOD, PRIZES,
TIME OUTSIDE WITH NEIGHBORS, AND MORE!
RAINDATE TUESDAY, AUGUST 11TH

Digital Navigator Program:

Helps all Mystic residents build digital literacy skills and access essential online resources, including job applications, benefits enrollment, telehealth, and communication tools. By appointment or drop in at the MAC Computer Lab.

Wednesday: 9:00am-7:30pm

Friday: 9:00am-7:30pm

Saturday: 9:00am-6:00pm

Sunday: 9:00am-3:00pm

Tuesday: 10:00am-1:00pm

Contact:

Rafael Pineda, Digital Navigator

617-996-0957 | RPineda@sha-web.org

Mystic Activity Center Computer Lab | 530 Mystic Ave

Mystic River | Memorial Road or Mystic Avenue:

Resident Service Coordination:

Connects residents with social services, healthcare, educational programs, and community engagement opportunities.

State Self-Sufficiency Program (SSP):

A voluntary work-based program helping families build economic independence through case management, education, job training, and motivational support.

Participants can earn an escrow account and access employment counseling, transportation, education, skills training, homeownership counseling, childcare assistance, financial counseling, and credit building. Now enrolling! Available to SHA residents living in the Mystic River development.

Contact:

Georgina Barnes, SSP Coordinator
617-702-2002 | GeorginaB@sha-web.org.

Mystic View | River Road or Canal Lane:**Resident Service Coordination:**

Connects residents with social services, healthcare, educational programs, and community engagement opportunities.

Contact:

Avi Samaha, ROSS Coordinator
617-996-0945 | AviS@sha-web.org.

Federal Family Self-Sufficiency Program (FSS):

A voluntary work-based program helping families build economic independence through case management, education, job training, and motivational support. Participants can earn an escrow account (up to \$20,000) and access employment counseling, transportation, education, skills training, homeownership counseling, childcare assistance, financial counseling, and credit building. This program is currently waitlisted — intakes are still encouraged for when a spot opens. Available to all Mystic View residents who have not yet completed the program and received the full \$20,000 escrow.

Contact:

Suze Montana, FSS Coordinator (English/Haitian Creole)
617-625-1152 x356 | SuzeM@sha-web.org

City of Somerville Events, Arts, & Culture

[Yart Sale](#) | August 8th 12:00pm-6:00pm | Citywide!

[SomerFest](#) | August 2nd 3:00pm | Seven Hills Park

[SomerStreets](#) | August 9th 12:00pm-4:00pm | Highland Ave

[24hr Culture](#) | August 16th 4:00pm-10:00pm | 90 Union Sq

[National Night Out](#) | August 4th 4:00pm-7:00pm

Dillboy Stadium | 110 Alewife Brook Parkway

[SomerMovieFest](#) | 7 Hills Park | Davis Square

Free Screenings: The Wiz August 6th | Zootopia 2 August 13th

Free Gardening Workshop | Green City Growers

Central Library | 79 Highland Ave, Somerville MA 02143

[August 1st 10:00am-11:30am](#) | [August 22nd 10:00am-11:30am](#)

Free Yoga in Powder House Park | Lotus Studio

Powder House Park | 850 Broadway, Somerville MA 02144

[Saturdays](#) | 9:00am-10:00am

Somerville Public Schools

[Back to school! Grades 1-12](#) | August 31 (Early dismissal)

Somerville Veterans Services

[Information](#) | [SomerVet Registration](#) | [DAV of Somerville](#)

Location:

167 Holland St. Ste 322B

Somerville, MA 02144

(617) 625-6600 x 4700

Somerville Food Resources

Free Produce at Mystic Activity Center | 530 Mystic Ave

Thursday August 13th | 2:45pm

Thursday August 27th | 2:45pm

Free Food Mart Somerville Public School Families

[East Somerville School](#) | August 6, 1:30-3:30pm

Union Square Farmers Market | 70 Union Square

Saturdays | 9:00am-1:00pm

Davis Square Farmers Market | 44 Day Street

Tuesdays | 12:00pm-6:00pm

Assembly Row Farmers Market | 355 Artisan Way

Fridays | 3:00pm-7:00pm

Somerville Mobile Farmers Market

Thursdays | 4:00pm-6:00pm | Clarendon Hill Towers

Fridays | 10:30am-12:30pm | Council on Aging

Fridays | 2:30pm-4:30pm | Somerville Library East

Saturdays | 10:00am-12:00pm | Mystic Playground

[Somerville Food Resources](#) | [Get assistance with SNAP benefits](#)

City of Somerville Parks & Recreation

[Information & Heat Safety](#)

[Extreme Heat Resource Map](#)

[Somerville Splashpads & Pools](#)

Pool Locations:

Dilboy Pool - 110 Alewife Brook Parkway

Ginny Smithers Pool - 5 Cherry Street

Latta Brothers Memorial Pool - 235 Broadway

Somerville Public Library

[Citizenship Preparation Class](#) | [English Language Classes](#)

[Social Services](#) | [Events](#) | [Library Card Registration](#)

Locations:

Central Library | 79 Highland Ave. Somerville, MA 02143

East Branch | 115 Broadway Somerville, MA 02145

West Branch | 40 College Ave Somerville, MA 02144

Mystic Tenant Association | To empower and uplift the residents of the Mystic View and Mystic River developments within the Somerville Housing Authority.

[Events](#) | [Contact MTA](#)

Somerville Hub | Info for youth and families in Somerville.

[Events](#) | [2026 Summer Guide](#) | [Community Resources](#)

Mystic Learning Center | To improve the lives of children and families who live at the Mystic Public Housing Development and surrounding neighborhoods.

[Events](#) | [Programs](#)

Dojo at SomerNova | Teen center, events, and programming for Somerville youth with different events everyday.

[Events](#) | [Programs](#) | [Contact](#)

Location:

15 Properzi Way, Somerville, MA 02143

Somerville Council on Aging | Programs for seniors such as: Bowling, Music, Walking Group, Nutrition, Line Dancing. Socialize with your community or get helpful resources, and much more.

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Locations:

Holland Street Center

167 Holland Street

Somerville, MA 02144

617-625-6600 x 2300

Somerville Cambridge Elder Services

[Community Support Center](#) | [Caregiver Support](#)

Somerville Housing Authority

30 Memorial Road Somerville, MA 02144

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