

*City of Taunton  
Office of the Mayor*



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**O'Connell Shares Heat Advisory Information**

Taunton, MA... Today Mayor O'Connell shared important information related to the Heat Advisory now in effect through Tuesday, June 29, 2021.

According to the U.S. National Weather Service (Boston/Norton) a Heat Advisory is posted for most of the region through Tuesday, June 29, 2021. High temperatures are expected in the middle 90s across much of the region with oppressive heat indices between 98 and 104 degrees.

On Tuesday, June 29, 2021, the Taunton Emergency Management Agency (TEMA) will be opening and monitoring an emergency cooling center at the Council on Aging at 30 Olney Street in Taunton. The cooling center will be open from 11:00am-4:00pm and is open to all Taunton residents.

Residents are encouraged to take all necessary precautions to stay safe:

- Never leave children or pets alone in a closed vehicle.
- Recognize & respond to heat-related illnesses.
- Stay hydrated.
- Check on neighbors, older adults & those at risk.

Heat Safety Tips: <http://mass.gov/mema/heat>

For non-emergency assistance with heat-related matters in Taunton, please contact the Department of Human Services at 508-821-1420.

For emergency assistance, contact Taunton Emergency Management Agency (TEMA) at 508-821-1026.

Taunton Housing Authority (THA) residents may contact 508-823-6308 for assistance. The THA will open community centers to the public as cooling centers, if needed. If there is a loss of electricity for an extended period of time at any of the THA properties, residents can be transported to other community centers as needed.

The Hopewell Park splash pad is open from 9:00am-8:00pm.

Updates will be posted on the city website (taunton-ma.gov) and Facebook page as they become available.

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