

Impact Update: June 2022

IT'S SCHOLARSHIP SEASON!



On May 25th, 64 local students gathered at the Buttonwood Park Zoo for the **SouthCoast Community Foundation Scholarship Reception** to receive their awards totaling more than **\$514,000**. This year's recipients were chosen from a pool of more than 1100 high school seniors and college students from throughout the region, representing 22 different educational institutions. [Read on](#) to learn about the recipients and click [here](#) to see more images from the event!

On May 13th, we hosted the **21st Annual Jacobs Family New Bedford High Schools Scholarship** reception virtually, where five New Bedford students received awards totaling **\$175,000**. **Zachary Bois, Raven DeGrace, Samuel Thomas Jupin, Sabrina Rosa Costa, and Katherine Maldonado Montoya** each received a four-year \$35,000 grant from the SouthCoast Community Foundation to support their STEM-focused academic pursuits. Joining the Community Foundation, school leadership, and

previous Jacobs scholars, were donors **Dr. Irwin and Joan Jacobs** and **Mayor Jon Mitchell**. [Read on](#) to learn about the event and the recipients.



CREATIVE SOUTHCOAST BLOG



LOOKING FORWARD

Through the Creative Commonwealth Initiative, we work with the **Barr Foundation** and four other community foundations across the state. Recently, this cohort met in Boston to discuss our successes and challenges after six years and map out the next four years of Barr support. One of the highlights was connecting with so many community leaders in one place. Read this month's [blog](#) for a full update.

Pictured: Barr Foundation Director of Arts and Creativity, San San Wong with Leonard Lee

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Spring Appeal



Your contribution allows us to build on our success and further our mission, mobilizing philanthropy by matching donors and resources with community needs. We hope you will help us move forward vigorously by supporting our [Annual Fund](#) as generously as possible.

EVENTS

Our Annual Meeting - Please Join Us!



KEEPING OUR
FINGER ON
THE PULSE

27TH ANNUAL MEETING

Tuesday, June 14, 2022
5:30 PM

Please join us to hear a recap of the past year, our plans for the future, and meet our new President and CEO, Leonard M. Lee! Reception to follow.

Where: University of Massachusetts Dartmouth
MacLean Campus Center - Main Auditorium
Register to attend [here!](#)

Thank you to our sponsor [BayCoast Bank](#).

Free Workshop: Business Strategies for Artists with Shey Rivera Ríos



Still Time to Register! Wednesdays, June 15 & 22, 2022 | 2 – 4 p.m.

Artists often run their own creative businesses. And as the world changes, artists continue building alternative structures to sustain themselves. This two-part workshop, presented in partnership with Assets for Artists, will present strategies for developing a more sustainable art practice and will also take a look at what opportunities exist for artists in today's economy. Click [here](#) to learn more and register.

Photo by Cat Laine, Painted Foot Studio

Arts & Culture Events

Fall River and New Bedford are exploding with activity. Elevating arts and cultural experiences in these gateway cities is a key focus area for us and we are delighted to share just a sampling of what is taking place. To learn about other events and to get more detail, check out these great resources: [New Bedford Creative](#), [Destination New Bedford](#), [New Bedford Light](#), [Standard-Times Entertainment](#), [Herald News Entertainment](#), and [Viva Fall River](#).

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June 3 - 6th: The Day of Portugal Festival

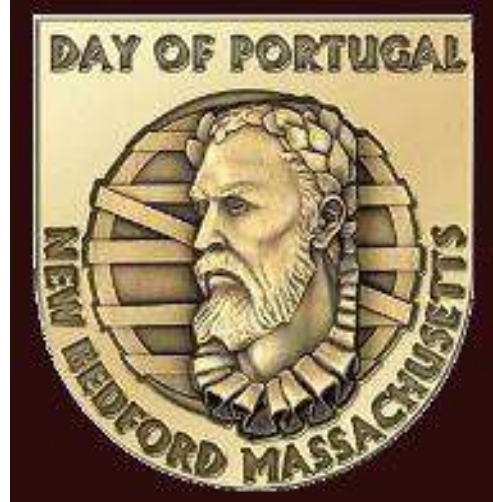
Society of Senhor da Pedra

New Bedford

June 3 - 5th: The Espirito Santo Church Feast

Fall River

June 9 - 12th: Day of Portugal



Pride Month

June 4: South Coast LGBTQ+ Network's New Bedford Pride
Buttonwood Park
New Bedford

June 5: Fall River Pride Festival
Government Center
Fall River

June 9: AHA! Pride Block Party
New Bedford



Juneteenth: Sunday, June 19th

Buy Black NB Pop-Up Market
Rotch-Jones-Duff House
New Bedford

Fall River Celebration
Kennedy Park



More Festivals & Experiences

June 4: Quequechan River Rail Trail Festival
Britland Park
Fall River

June 9 - 11: 20mi2
City-Wide Celebration
New Bedford



IN THE NEWS

WBSM TOWNSQUARE SUNDAY



President and CEO Leonard Lee caught up with Jim Phillips for Jim's [Townsquare Sunday WBSM Radio Program](#). Be sure to catch the show this coming **Sunday, June 5th** at 6:00 AM, 11:00 AM, and on their website.



STAFF



We are very proud of our Programs Officer **Werlaine Badio** who was sworn in to the **Bristol County Commission on The Status of Women**. Now, more than ever, women's issues need to be at the forefront of our minds, and Werlaine is doing her part to make sure that happens. Here is the [article](#) in the Taunton Daily Gazette with more detail.

Even more to celebrate! Board Vice-Chair **Gail**



Fortes was recently honored with the **2022 Distinguished Citizens Award** by Bristol Community College. Here is the [article](#) in the Herald News with more detail. Congratulations Gail!

HIRING

PROGRAMS OFFICER

The SouthCoast Community Foundation is looking for a Programs Officer who is eager to be part of a team mobilizing an innovative approach to improving people's lives on the South Coast. This role is a unique and exciting opportunity for someone to join a dynamic, growing, and community-based nonprofit organization. You can apply [here](#).

