

Dear Friend,

It has been an eventful month in the State House as the House budget debate for the 2011 fiscal year came to a close. My colleagues and I had to make difficult decisions on a budget suffering cuts to state spending totaling over \$1.4 billion.

I fought strongly for youth jobs and education programs, along with funding relative to economic development, public safety, housing, environmental affairs, and public health. Please refer to the "Legislative Update" and the "Public Health Update" below to read further about the FY11 House budget. I now look to my colleagues in the Senate to make their own budget recommendations, and I will continue to work to make certain funding is appropriated to the priorities of this district, as well as for the benefit of public health.

I had the pleasure of participating in the 41st Annual Opening Day Ceremony and Parade of the JP Regan Youth League on Saturday, April 24th. As you may already know, the JP Regan Youth League is a volunteer-run baseball and softball league for youth ages 5-18 years. Nearly 800 boys and girls that play in the league during the spring and summer seasons walked the parade to celebrate the start of the season. The parade was led by a fire truck and a lively jazz band playing songs like "Take Me Out to the Ball Game" and began at the Eliot School, continued along Centre Street to South Huntington, and finished at Daisy Field where I was able to throw the first pitch. I was also able to attend the Mission Hill Little League parade and was happy to be a part of this tradition to support youth throughout the district.

This month began with the 31st Wake Up the Earth Festival! that took place in the Southwest Corridor Park. Local artists, community groups, schools, and institutions collaborated to make a great day full of celebration and activities in the park to commemorate the group of local neighbors and activists who joined together to stop the Interstate-95 expansion into Jamaica Plain 30 years ago. The event had a great turn out and is always a lively and fun celebration in our community.

As you know the water main break and boil water order issued for drinking water in all Massachusetts Water Resources Authority (MWRA) communities east of Weston was a disaster that should not have happened in Massachusetts. It was a major inconvenience to every resident affected by the order and a disappointment. Our state should have a long-term plan for delivering safe, clean water to all residents in the Commonwealth. As the lead sponsor of the bill passed into law last year that created the Water Infrastructure Finance Commission, my objective was to initiate the development of a long-range infrastructure financing plan for Massachusetts to ensure that safe drinking water and secured waste water systems be implemented throughout the state.

Our water and wastewater crisis created by antiquated infrastructure and a failure to properly invest in maintaining existing infrastructure impacts the continued economic growth and the public health of the Commonwealth. Investments in drinking water infrastructure create jobs, making our state more competitive and economically robust. Water-borne illnesses and the lack of running water are hazardous to public health and can be prevented with proper water infrastructure development. The Water Infrastructure Finance Commission is currently working with the Legislature to provide recommendations on how to fund the needed upgrades to our existing water systems.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact my office with any questions, comments, or concerns. Thank you for your continued support.

Yours in Service,



Jeffrey Sánchez
State Representative
Chairman, Joint Committee on Public Health

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

As you may know, the House budget debate for Fiscal Year 2011 wrapped up last month with a \$27.83 billion balanced budget that closes a projected \$3.2 billion budget gap through cuts to state spending totaling over \$1.4 billion. We were able to pass the House budget without any increases in taxation or a draw from stabilization fund reserves. It was a challenging budget but I fought for several initiatives in the state's budget appropriations that I have vigorously worked for years to support, including programs for youth, education, housing, and public health—fundamental programs that benefit the people of my district and the Commonwealth.

As a long standing supporter for the development, health, and safety of young people across the Commonwealth, I fought for increased funding in summer jobs programs for at-risk youth and in programs for school to career connecting activities. These programs link youth with economic and learning opportunities to keep them active in the workforce and engaged in the community. In addition, I was able to successfully appropriate \$3.5 million, an increase of \$1.5 million from FY10, for Violence Prevention Grants to provide youth with skills to foster their success as leaders in their communities. I was also able to restore Reading Recovery at \$750,000 to provide a one-to-one, early intervention, individual tutorial literacy program designed for children at risk of failing to read in the first grade.

In addition to youth and education programs, I strongly supported several other appropriations relative to the needs of the district, including economic development, public safety, housing, and environmental affairs. The Senate will soon be taking up its own budget recommendations, at which time I will continue to work to ensure that my budget initiatives be included in the legislature's final recommendations. I want to thank all of you that contacted my office on the budget. Whether it was a letter, email, phone call, or drop-in, your requests were more than appreciated and greatly influenced the decisions I made on the House floor.

PUBLIC HEALTH UPDATE

The FY11 House Budget truly reflects the Committee on Public Health's long-standing commitment to continuing to provide vital health services for the most vulnerable populations. I successfully lobbied for several initiatives in the state's budget appropriations despite the constraints of a difficult fiscal climate, including comprehensive asthma care for high-risk children, health care transparency, quality nursing home care, and substance abuse prevention programs.

An amendment I championed into the state budget will enable children on Medicaid who suffer from chronic asthma to receive better care at a lower cost to taxpayers. The proposal directs the state Medicaid program, commonly known as MassHealth, to establish a bundled payment for high risk pediatric asthma patients allowing doctors to augment their direct care with a variety of currently non-reimbursable tools and services that are demonstrated to be effective in saving health dollars while improving patient health.

MassHealth currently spends an estimated \$21 million annually on pediatric asthma related hospitalizations and emergency room visits. By adopting the measure I proposed, the Medicaid agency will achieve a total net savings estimated between \$2.7 million and \$3.3 million within the first 5 years. As the state works to reduce the amount we spend on health care, this vote demonstrates the importance of acting on what the research indicates: that preventing and managing chronic disease is a prerequisite for curbing health care costs.

I successfully amended the House budget to expand health care transparency for Massachusetts consumers to access information on health care costs more easily. This amendment ensures that for the first time in this state's history, this true all-payer claims database will offer, like never before, a broad understanding of health care costs and medical services utilization across institutions and populations.

This amendment enhances the state's current claims database from 21 commercial plans to include data from third party administrators, Medicare, and Medicaid. The data to be collected will include all inpatient, outpatient, pharmacy, and dental claims. Essentially, the all-payer claims database will serve as a clearinghouse for comprehensive quality and cost information that will help consumers, employers, insurers, and government have the necessary data to make prudent health care purchasing decisions; and in that way, help to lower costs by encouraging them to use high-quality, more efficient providers.

I also won approval for an amendment that dedicates \$2.8 million from the Nursing Home User Fee to provide incentives to nursing homes that give their employees enhanced training programs designed to improve their ability to care for facility residents. This program will be paid for by existing funds and will not increase the bottom line of the budget, and nursing homes must meet eligibility requirements, as determined by MassHealth, in order to participate.

An appropriation of \$76 million from the Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Fund to level fund prevention and treatment services will support access to treatment for the indigent and uninsured. Level funding this account helps to assure that the state is able to maintain matching Federal Funds for the bureau of Substance Abuse Services. I was also able to secure funding for step-down recovery programs, family intervention services to fund a young adult treatment program and early intervention services for those addicted to alcohol or controlled substances, as well as two pilot jail diversion programs for nonviolent offenders with addiction.

These appropriations will greatly cut state spending on health care and will improve the overall health in the Commonwealth. Again, I truly appreciate everyone who contacted the Committee with requests. I am committed to continue to advocate and ensure that these budget initiatives be included in the final FY11 budget.

COMMUNITY EVENTS & HAPPENINGS

Jamaica Plain:

Jamaica Plain Neighborhood Council: Fourth Tuesday of the month, 7 p.m., Curtis Hall, 20 South Street. For more information, please call 617-522-1150.

JPNC Zoning Committee Meeting Thurs., April 15, Curtis Hall, 20 South St. Info: dave_baron@mindspring.com.

JPNC Public Service Committee, normally first Tuesday of the month, Tues., April 6, 7pm, Cheverus Building, rear 365 Centre St. behind Blessed Sacrament Church. For more information, contact Michael Reiskind at jpmichael@rcn.com.

JPNC Parks and Open Space Committee: 3rd Tuesday of every month at JP Licks, 659 Centre Street at 6:30pm. Contact Jay for more information at 617-642-4633

JPNC Housing and Development Committee: 3rd Tuesday of every month at the Bowditch School, 80-82 green St. at 7pm. Contact Steve for more information at 508-212-3976

Jamaica Pond Association Board: First Monday of every month at 7pm at the Jamaicaway Tower Community Room, 111 Perkins Street.

Southwest Corridor Parkland Management Advisory Committee: First Wednesday of every month, rotates monthly between 3 locations. Contact Jack Sinnott for more information at Jacksinnott@mckesson.com

Jamaica Plain Community Centers: Regular meetings are on the fourth Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. rotating among 4 sites. More information can be obtained by calling the Regional Office at Curtis Hall at 617-635-5195.

Jamaica Hills Association: Second Wednesday of every month, except July and August, 7:30 p.m., Springhouse, Allandale Rd. info: www.jamaicahills.org

Egleston Square Organizations: Many organizations [i.e. JPND, YMCA Teen Empowerment, ect.] meet every Tuesday of every month. For more info and Egleston Sq. events visit: www.eglestonsquare.mainstreets.org

Sumner Hill Association: First Monday of each month, 7 p.m., various locations. Info: secre-tary@sumnerhillassociation.org.

The True Hip Hop Culture Program: Come chill out with other teens in the community, exploring hip hop culture, the arts/entertainment industry, live performance, life and the world around us. Free, with light refreshments served. Every 3rd Thursday of the month, 5-7 p.m., English High Community Center, 144 McBride St. Info: Jazz Wise thepro-gram@excite.com, or 617-635-5244.

American Cancer Society Relay For Life Planning Committee: First Wednesday of the month at 7pm, through June at the Astra Zeneca Hope Lodge, 125 S. Huntington Ave.

Spontaneous Celebrations: Offers a number of art, music and dance classes, as well as a youth karate class. For more information, visit: www.spontaneouscelebrations.org.

Sunday Nights aLive: Non-traditional, music-and-arts worship service, featuring live music, signing and community-building. Relaxed atmosphere; dinner served, childcare provided. Last Sunday of every month, 6-8 p.m., First Church of JP, Unitarian Universalist, Centre and Eliot St. For more information, visit: www.sundaynightalivejp.org.

Connolly Branch Library: The library offers community programs for students and adults. Visit the library for one of its events (listed below) at 433 Centre St. Info: 617-522-1960.

Homework Assistance: Mondays, 4-6 p.m., Homework Assistance Program, with Boston Public School teacher; Mondays-Thursdays, 3:30-5:30 p.m., Saturdays, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Homework assistance with high school mentors for grades K-8.

Children's Films: Short, fun films for young children, groups Welcome! Weds, 10:30 a.m.

Reading Readiness Fall Story time: Stories & songs for kids ages 2 – 4 years with an adult. Please register before-hand! Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m.

Winter Story time for Little Ones: Weekly program of stories, songs, and playtime for children ages 0-4 years with an adult on Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m. Please register.

Playing with Paper: An art workshop for kids to learn different ways of making collages with artist Anita Barnes. Please register.

Homework Assistance Program: Mondays, 4-6pm, with BPS teacher; Mon-Thurs, 3:30-5:30pm, with high school mentors, Connolly Branch Library, 433 Centre St. Info: 522-1960.

Jamaicaway Books: Visit the local bookstore for one of their upcoming events at 676 Centre Street, or call them for more information at 617-983-3204 or visit their website: www.jamaicawaybooks.com.

Franklin Park Zoo

Summer Hours at the Zoo: April 1-Sept. 30, weekdays, 10am-5pm weekends, 10am-6pm, Franklin Park Zoo: www.zoonewengland.org.

Kid's Price Saturdays: Admission on the first Saturday of every month for the Franklin Park Zoo is \$8 for everyone.

Queer Tango Boston: Argentine Tango with Gender Flexibility: Dance at the Democracy Center, 45 Mt. Auburn Street, Cambridge. All skill levels are welcome, from beginners on Monday and advanced dancers on Thursday evenings. For more call Spontaneous Celebrations at 617- 344-5550, email info@queertangoboston.org, or go to www.queertangoboston.com.

Family to Family (F2F) in Spanish: F2F 2010 Courses are offered by the affiliates throughout the state. Spanish program sponsored by the Veterans Administration. If interested please contact Valerie at ravnhammond@comcast.net.

Academics, the Arts and Athletics After-school Program (AAA): run by Prevention Now, for youth ages 5-13, weekdays, 2-6pm, vacation & summer, 8-5pm, Hennigan School, 200 Heath St. For more information and to register, contact 617-445-4582.

Eliot School- Classes in Crafts & Fine Arts (for all ages): Registration is open for summer classes! Woodworking, painting, drawing, and more. New classes at the Eliot begin in June. Spring classes are still available. The 2nd Session Spring classes still open for registration.

Basic Clothing Design - begins May 4

Photo Based Mixed Media - begins May 12

Seat Weaving, Caning and Rushing - begins May 12

Green Furniture Design - begins May 6

For More information, contact info@eliotschool.org

Jamaica Plain Republicans, Wards 11 & 19, first Tuesday of every month, at 8p.m. at Doyle's Café, 3484 Washington St. For more information, contact 617-524-5352/edward59@earthlink.net.

Walking Tours of Historic Jamaica Plain, Monument Square, Leaves from Loring-Greenough House, 12 South Street, June 26th and August 14th; Sumner Hill, leaves from Loring-Greenough House July 3rd and August 21st; Stony Brook, Leaves from Stony Brook Orange Line T Station, July 10th and August 28th; Hyde Square, Leave from in front of Sorella's, 388 Centre Street, May 29th, July 17th, September 4th; Green Street, Leaves from Southern JP Health Center, 640 Centre Street, June 5th, July 24th, and September 11th; Woodbourne, leaves from Bethel AME church steps, corner of Walk Hill and Wachusett Streets, June 12th, July 31st, and September 18th; Jamaica Pond, leaves from the bandstand, Pond Street and Jamaica Way, June 19th, August 7th, and September 25th.

Mission Hill:

Mission Hill Neighborhood Housing Services Board of Directors: first Monday of every month 6-7:30pm, Mission Church Parish Center, 1545 Tremont St. For more information, call 617-566-6565.

Mission Hill Crime Committee: last Thursday of every month, 7p.m., Mission Church Music Room, 1545 Tremont St.

Community Alliance of Mission Hill: Usually third Wednesday of every month, 7 p.m., Kresge Hall, Harvard School of Public Health. For more info, call 617-733-8321 or email rjohnson@camhonline.org.

Mission Hill Farmers Market: Every Thursday, from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. there will be a farmers market in Hanlon Square (735 Huntington Ave). To learn more, stop by the market.

Parker Hill Branch Library: The library offers community programs for students and adults. Visit the library for one of its events (listed below) at 1497 Tremont St. Info: 617-427-3820.

Toddler Storytime: Stories for kids ages 2 – 3 years with an adult. Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m.

Homework Assistance: Mondays-Thursdays, 3:30-5:30 p.m., Saturdays, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Homework assistance with high school students for grades K-8. BPS Teacher help on Thursdays.

Inaugural Mass Dash: Two-day relay across Massachusetts Benefit for the Jimmy Fund, July 17th-18th. For more information, visit www.dana-farber.org.

Gardner After Hours: cutting edge art, music, performances, cocktails and more, third Thursdays, 5-9p.m., Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum, 280 The Fenway. For more information, visit: www.gardnermuseum.org.

Domestic Violence Community Advocacy Program: Renewal House is open for walk in appointments on Wednesdays, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., 10 Putnam Street in Roxbury (First Church in Roxbury—big white church on the hill near Roxbury Crossing T station or Dudley Station). If you would like to make an appointment, please contact Ada at 617-277-4194.

Tobin Community Center Memberships: 1481 Tremont Street, Info: 617-635-5216. Community Center membership: family & adults \$20, teens \$10, 12 and under \$5

T.C.C. Summer Sports Camp: Ages 6 – 13 years, two 3-week sessions July 6th - 23rd and July 26th - Aug. 13th, \$150 per session, breakfast and lunch provided. Applications available now.

Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum, 280 The Fenway

Jazz at the Gardner: May 20th: Mark Whitfield Jr. Quartet. June 17th: Folk Arts Quartet. \$23 for general admission; \$18, seniors; \$15 members; \$10, college students; \$5, children ages 5-17 years. For more information, visit: www.gardnermuseum.org.

Gardner Sunday Concert Series: Young classical artists featured from around the world, \$23, general admission; \$18, seniors; \$15 members; \$10, college students; \$5, children 5-17. For more information, visit: www.gardnermuseum.org.

Recording Studio: Sociedad Latina's Music Club House has a high-quality recording studio available for the community, Fridays 1-5p.m.; Saturdays 11-3p.m., 153 Tremont St. For more information and scheduling, contact Hernando Buitrago at 617-442-4299/www.sociedadlatina.org, or 617-522-5386.

Free Parent-Child Playgroups: Offered by Boston Public Schools for toddlers at the Tobin Community Center. Registration is ongoing for 1- 3 year olds and their caregivers. Several dates and times are available. For more information, call: 617-756-9492.

Grief Support Services: Samaritans provide services for community members who have lost loved ones to suicide, including the support group SafePlace, 2nd and 4th Tuesdays, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m., JCRT Radiology Conference Room, 5th Floor, Shapiro Building at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center. For more information, contact Kim Kates: 617-536-2460.

Roslindale:

Longfellow Area Neighborhood Association: The association meets bi-monthly on the 2nd Monday of the month, from 7:30 - 9 p.m. in the community room of the Longfellow House, 885 South Street at Walter Street. Contact Tim Skaar at tim.skaar@gmail.com if you have any questions.

Roslindale Branch Library:

Homework Assistance Programs: High school mentors are available to offer homework assistance Monday-Thursday, 3:30 to 5:30 p.m., on Saturdays, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. No homework assistance is available during school vacation week.

ESL Conversation Group: Conversation Groups for new English speakers continues to take place Wednesdays at 6 p.m. Anyone learning English is encouraged to join any or all of the groups to practice English in an informal setting.

YMCA Sports, Aquatics and More: The Roslindale YMCA offers a variety of sports classes for preschoolers, students, teens, and adults, including tee ball, soccer, karate, and the new Junior Celtics basketball. For a complete listing, visit the branch website at www.ymcaboston.org/roslindale/programs/sports.

Jazz in the Square Concerts: See upcoming concerts at the Roslindale Congregational Church by visiting www.jazzinthesquare.net.

Parking Permit Applications now Online: The Boston Parks and Recreation Department has announced that Athletic, Special Event and Street Blocking permit applications are now available for the 2010 season online at City of Boston website, www.cityofboston.gov

Roslindale open Mic: Roslindale Open Mic is an all-volunteer, free event held on the second and fourth Mondays of the month hosted by local singer/songwriters Mike Delaney and Neal Braverman. The series

welcomes acoustic musicians and poets of all ages. For more information, visit www.roslindaleopenmic.org, or call 617-308-8489

West Roxbury Branch Library:

Drop-in Knitting Program: 3:30-5:30 on the first and third Tuesdays of every month. Participants should bring their own needles, patterns, and yarn. There will be assistance available.

Preschool Storytime: 11:00-11:45 a.m. on Tuesdays, for Kids aged 3-5 years. To register, please call 617-325-3147 ext. 3156.

Brookline:

Save the Date: Sunday May 23rd, 2010 at 4pm—Friends of the Muddy River Annual Meeting (to be announced)

ESL Conversation Groups: Open at all three Brookline Public Library Branches for anyone looking to improve their English skills. The group meets on Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. at the Main Library on Washington St. and on Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. at both the Coolidge Corner and Putterham Branches.

Greater Boston:

The Boston Public Library:

Homework Assistance Programs: Mondays, 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.

High School Mentors: For grades K-8, Monday-Thursdays, 3:30 – 5:30 p.m. and Saturdays 11:00 – 1:00 p.m.

Children's Films: Short, fun films for preschool children. Groups welcome! Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m.

The Registry of Motor Vehicles: The RMV launched a new electronic notification service for license renewals. It is a free service that will remind you to renew your Massachusetts driver's license or ID by email, phone, or text (SMS) message. For more information on how to subscribe for the notification service, visit <https://secure.rmv.state.ma.us/RMVReminder/intro.aspx>

If you know of a future community event or meeting that you would like us to include in the update, send us an email at Rep.JeffreySanchez@hou.state.ma.us

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Liberty Belle Chorus Singers Wanted: participants wanted for singing, dancing, and performing Broadway show tunes and songs of yesterday and today in the Liberty Belle Chorus. Learn vocal production techniques and presentation skills. Come to rehearsals any Monday at 7pm, St. Camillus Church Hall. 1175 Concord Turnpike (directly off Rt. 2 exit 57). For more information, contact: 617-735-9254/www.libertybellechorus.org.

Head Start: Action for Boston Community Development is accepting application for ages 2-4 years for its Head Start program. For more information, call 617-384-6272.

Apply Now for ABCD Youth Summer Jobs: Teens and older youths ages 14-24 are encouraged to apply, for over 2,000 jobs available. Info: 348-6548/www.bostonabcd.org

JumpStart: This program allows seniors aged 50+ to volunteer with children in Jamaica Plain preschools. The goal of the program is to ensure a successful transition to Kindergarten. Training and stipend are provided. The program runs from October to May. Inquiries should be made to Liana at 857-413-4631.

Massachusetts Biologic Laboratories: The laboratories are seeking college science majors for internship positions. Some applications will be reviewed for full-time positions. Please reply to mbbresumes@umassmed.edu.

Hyde Square Task Force: The task force is seeking a Music Clubhouse Coordinator to create and lead lessons for youths aged 10-18 years. Please contact Brenda Rodriguez-Andujar at brenda@hydesquare.org, or 617-524-8303. Another open position is Systems Administrator. This position requires knowledge of computer networking and 2-3 years VPN experience. This is a part-time position. Please contact Enoes Andujar at enoes@hydesquare.org, or 617-524-8303.

Hyde Square Task Force: Seeking part-time Bookkeeper to assist Finance Manager in financial preparations. Candidates should be familiar with financial language, have good computer skills, and be efficient and reliable. To apply, please email (preferred method) your resume and cover letter to enoes@hydesquare.org, or mail to Enoes Andujar, Manager of Finance and Human Resources, Hyde Square Task Force, 375 Centre St. Jamaica Plain, MA 02130.

Jobs at the New England Baptist Hospital (NEBH):

Administrative Director of Patient Care Services (5061), Central Sterile Supply Technician (5087), Certified Nursing Assistant (4963), Certified Nursing Assistant (4816), Clinical Leader (5039), Hospitalist/Intensivist (4487), Hospitalist/Intensivist (5066), Nursing Assistant (4012), Nursing Coordinator (4919), Other Patient Care Support - Position Not Listed (3764), Registered Nurse - Endoscopy (4941), Registered Nurse - IV (4379), Registered Nurse - Per-Diem (5042), Registered Nurse-ICU (5021), Registered Nurse-ICU (5065), Registered Nurse-Lahey 5 (4736), Registered Nurse-Lahey 5 (4958), Registered Nurse-OR (5116), Registered Nurse-PACU (4965), Surgical Technologist (5127), Registered Nurse (req num: 4889).

Contact: Alyson Morgan, Nursing Coordinator, (617) 754-5233
amorgan1@caregroup.harvard.edu.

Central Sterile Surgical Materials Coordinator (5047), Central Support Operator (5059), Cook (5102), Correspondence Clerk (5077), Housekeeping Aide (5075), Housekeeping Aide (5030), Medical Records Coder (5093), Nutrition Assistant (5101), Occupational Therapist (5010), OR Scheduler (5028), Other Support Services - Position Not Listed (4237), Patient Accounts Representative (4999), Physical Therapist-Inpatient (5111), Physical Therapist-Inpatient (4987), Radiologic Technologist (5081), Registered Nurse (4889), Supervisor (4959). Healthcare Administration Graduate Fellowship (req num: 5168), Nurse Practitioner or Physician Assistant (req num: 5138), Occupational Therapist (req num: 5134), Physical Therapist-Inpatient (req num: 5160), Project Worker (req num: 5051), Surgical First Assistant (req num: 5157)

Contact: Susan Motha, (617) 754-5232, smotha@caregroup.harvard.edu.

Other Nursing - Position Not Listed (3254). **Contact: Debra DiMartino, (617) 754 5232, ddimarti@caregroup.harvard.edu**

Volunteer for the American Cancer Society: The ACS needs volunteer drivers to take cancer patients to and from treatment. For info call 800-227-2345 or visit www.cancer.org.

Volunteer to Visit the Elderly: Call Rachel Burlingame at Ethos, a local non-profit. For more information call 617-522-6700, or email rburlingame@ethocare.org.

Brigham and Women's Hospital RN Care Coordinator, Ambulatory: The Ambulatory RN Care Coordinator is responsible for working with high-risk patients while establishing, implementing, monitoring, and evaluating high quality, cost effective care plans. This position requires knowledge of clinical care and systems' management, case management, good nursing judgment, problem solving skills, independent thinking, organizational and interpersonal skills, creativity, flexibility, and the ability to multi-task. This position is well compensated with a competitive salary and excellent benefits. If interested, please call Lisa Wichmann at 617-732-5500 X31934.

Barbara Lee Political Office and the Barbara Lee Family Foundation: The Barbara Lee Political Office and Barbara Lee Family Foundation is searching for a dynamic individual to fill the role of Political Assistant/Foundation Assistant. This is an entry-level position for someone who would support strategic grant making, political fundraising, event planning, and research projects. Candidates should have an interest in women's issues and politics. Experience in research, written communication, and event planning is required, as well as outstanding computer skills. Experience in basic administration and political work is preferred. Interested candidates can get a full job description by emailing Administrative Assistant Monnikue McCall at mcarmody@barbaralee.com. Applicants should write a cover letter and address it to Adrienne Kimmell, Political Director/Foundation Director. Send cover letter, resume, and reference list to Monnikue McCall Administrative Assistant Lee Family Office, 131 Mt. Auburn St., Suite 3 Cambridge, MA 02138.

GOVERNMENT GRANTS

Grants.gov: Your source to FIND and APPLY for federal government grants. The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services is proud to be the managing partner for Grants.gov, an initiative that is having an unparalleled impact on the grant community. Learn more about Grants.gov and determine if you are eligible for grant opportunities offered on this site.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Jordan Fundamentals: The 2010 Grant Cycle is now open! This is a Grant Program for schools. An eligibility quiz and grants guidelines are available by visiting www.jordanfundamentals.com.

Boston Scholarship Guide: Information about hundreds of scholarships available to help you pay for college! www.bostonscholarshipguide.com.

The Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences: Encourages students to apply for their scholarship programs ASAP. The college is offering the Mayor's Scholarship Program for Boston Latin School and the James T. King Memorial Scholarship. Visit www.mcphs.edu/admission to find out more.

HELPFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Our friends at the Mayor's Office and BPD have provided these helpful telephone numbers:

BPD Main Line.....617-343-5630
Community Service.....617-343-5624
Auto Investigations.....617-343-5634
Detectives Bureau.....617-343-5628
Drug Control Unit.....617-343-4958
Crime Watch Unit.....617-343-4345
Crime Stoppers.....800-494-8477
Mayor's Office.....617-343-4500
Anti-Gang Unit.....617-343-4444
Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Hotline.....877-785-2020
Loud Party Line.....617-343-5500
Anti-Graffiti Line.....617-343-5348
Rep. Sánchez's Office..... 617-722-2130