



NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

Residents of the Hampshire and Hampshire County

You are hereby notified that there will be a meeting of:

Hampshire-Franklin Commission on the Status of Women & Girls

This commission was legislatively created in 2017 and is subject to Massachusetts open meeting laws. The commission represents and recognizes all women, regardless of their age, race, color, creed, abilities, socio-economic status, immigration status, sexual orientation, or gender identity at birth residing in Hampshire and Franklin Counties.

Public Meeting Agendas for:

Date and time: Monday, November 25, 2019 at 6-8:30 p.m.

Location: Community Health Center of Franklin County, 102 Main Street, Greenfield, MA

From: Bonnie MacCracken, Chair, Hampshire-Franklin Commission on the Status of Women & Girls
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Meeting agenda and topics anticipated to be discussed:

- 6:00 pm-Welcoming of guests & public speak out, an opportunity for members of the community to address the commission.
- Introductions
- 6:15 pm to 7:45 pm-Guest Speakers: Attorney Tahirah Amatul-Wadud, and Amy Cronin DiCaprio, Outreach Coordinator at Safe Passage. Discussion on Domestic Abuse in the Pioneer Valley, available resources available in the area for survivors, information about protection orders and the judicial process.
- 7:45 pm Q&A
- 8:15 HFCSWG Resumes their monthly meeting.
- Updates and Check-in by Commissioners
- Any other items that may lawfully come before this body
- 8:30 pm Adjournment

Upcoming events:

November 16, 2019: Legislative Coffee, Saturday, 10AM-12PM, Element Brewing Company, 16 Bridge Street, Millers Falls, MA Hosted by League of Women Voters of Franklin county, element Brewing Company and Hampshire-Franklin commission on the Status of Women and Girls.

November 17, 2019: First Congregational Parish Unitarian Church, Petersham, MA, Bonnie MacCracken, will speak on the mission of the Commission

December Public Meeting: December 16, 2019, 6pm-8:30 pm, at the Meridians' Office at 18 Henshaw Ave, Room B2, Smith College, Northampton, MA, Guest Speaker: Senator Jo Comerford

The Hampshire-Franklin Commission on the Status of Women and Girls is a regional commission. HFCSWG's duties include: studying, reviewing and reporting on the status of women in the county; promoting and facilitating collaboration among local women's organizations; recommending policies that benefit women to agencies, officers of the state, and local government; and holding fact-finding hearings and other public forums as it may deem necessary.

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