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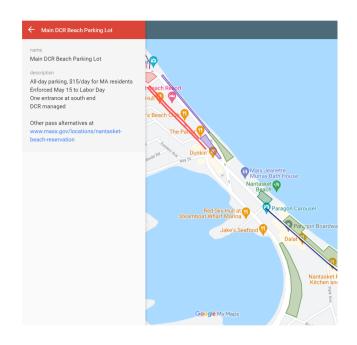


State Representaive Joan Meschino and State Senator Patrick O'Connor speak at Humans of Nantasket Beach photo exhibit opening at the Mary Jeannette Murray Bathhouse on August 1, 2021. Photo by Joe Berkeley.

Humans of Nantasket Beach photo exhibit successfully launches Friends group

With funding support from Save The Harbor/Save The Bay and the DCR, the new Friends of Nantasket Beach non-profit had a sucesssful launch event this summer with the Humans of Nantasket Beach photo exhibit. The exhibit was shown on Sunday afternoons throughout the month of August. Over 100+ people walked through the exhibit of photos taken at Nantasket Beach by local photographer Joe Berkeley. The Friends board engaged with visitors and new supporters.

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The Friends of Nantasket Beach website, www.friendsofnantasketbeach.org, got a significant upgrade this summer. More information was added after conversations with the DCR staff regarding facility hours, recreational activities and more. Additionally, the Friends created an interactive informational parking map in order to provide information in one place about parking options when visiting the Nantasket Beach Reservation.

Strategic discussions begin with DCR staff

The Friends of Nantasket Beach held multiple Zoom meetings and calls with DCR staff this past year in order to share information and strategize for the long-term. The DCR has a Partnership Matching Funds Program that matches 2-to-1 any funds raised by a group to support improvements at DCR properties. The Friends has discussed multiple options for an initial project including more bike racks, informational signage and more. The goal is to make improvements in line with the 2016 DCR Nantasket Beach Master Plan.



The Friends of Nantasket Beach are looking for more volunteers and members, **especially** those who visit the Beach from outside of the Hull area. Our goal is to build a membership and Board that represents the diversity of Nantasket Beach. Please share this with anyone that is interested. They can get in touch directly by emailing us at friendsofnantasketbeach@gmail.com.