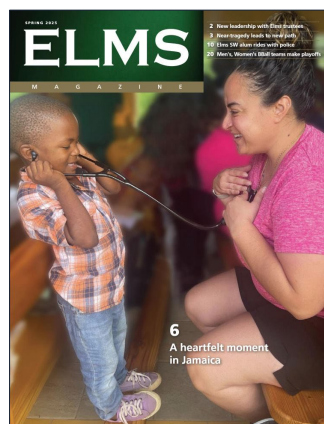


NPD NEWS LETTER

JUNE 2025



DEPARTMENT NEWS



Our JDP Lynn Botsaris was featured in an article in Elms College's semi-annual alumni publication.

Read the article [here](#).

DEPARTMENT NEWS

What's new inside the NPD

RESIDENT FYI

Public safety alerts and information

TRAINING

Keeping current with the latest training opportunities to ensure the safety and wellbeing of our department and town

IN THE COMMUNITY

Engaging with our residents, visitors and businesses

MONTH IN REVIEW

Significant incidents and department statistics for the month

This month NPD's Jail Diversion Clinician, Lynn Botsaris, was featured in a [full-page article](#) in Elms College's alumni publication.

The Northborough Police Department is proud to partner with the Advocates Boroughs Jail Diversion Program, an initiative that places a strong emphasis on mental health support, public safety, and community well-being.

Our licensed mental health clinician, Lynn Botsaris, works directly with our officers, responding to calls involving individuals experiencing behavioral health crises. Instead of defaulting to arrest or hospitalization, the program offers on-scene clinical support, crisis intervention, and connection to appropriate community-based services.

By integrating mental health expertise into our daily operations, the Jail Diversion Program helps reduce unnecessary arrests and promotes more compassionate, effective outcomes for individuals in crisis. This approach not only enhances the safety of all involved but also strengthens our commitment to treating mental health challenges with the care and professionalism they deserve.

The Boroughs Jail Diversion Program serves multiple communities in the region and is a vital part of our efforts to provide equitable, trauma-informed public safety services.


Advocates
Caring Partners. Creative Solutions. Better Lives.

LATEST TEXT SCAM CLAIMING TO BE THE RMV

Yet another text scam in Massachusetts is attempting to trick individuals into sharing credit card numbers and other sensitive information.



A wave of current text messages circulating, which allege to be from the RMV, warns of traffic ticket enforcement and that immediate action must be taken to avoid license suspension, vehicle registration revocation and impact to one's credit score. These texts are being customized with dates and can include the word "Massachusetts" to trick individuals into immediate payment.

Scammers often convey urgency as a form of manipulation. If you receive any kind of message requesting payment, do not click the link. The RMV will never text you looking for payment. If you need to perform a Registry transaction online, be sure to only use [Mass.Gov/RMV](https://www.mass.gov/rmv).

There is no need to contact us about this scam if you receive this message, just delete and ignore it. However, if you do fall victim to this or any other scam, please report it. You can file a police report by requesting an officer to your home, coming to the station, or filing a report online through our website, www.northboroughpd.com.



"If you receive any kind of message telling you to make a payment or that you need to act quickly, **do NOT click the link. The RMV will never text you looking for payment."**

-Registrar of Motor Vehicles, Colleen Ogilvie

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ANNUAL TASER RECERTIFICATION TRAINING



This month, our officers completed their annual recertification training on electronic control weapons (ECWs), commonly known as Tasers.



The training covers safe handling, proper deployment techniques, de-escalation techniques, updated legal standards, and scenario-based exercises. Officers are required to demonstrate competence in both theory and application, ensuring responsible and effective use in the field.

Training was conducted by Sergeant Justin Faucher and Sergeant Sean Montville .

In addition to receiving training, our department often conducts training sessions at local schools and businesses.

This month Chief Griffin, Detective Sergeant Trefry and Detective Buzzell conducted a workplace safety training for the employees at Town Hall.

WORKPLACE SAFETY TRAINING



town_of_northboroughma Workplace Safety Training at Town Hall

This week, Town Hall employees participated in a Workplace Safety Training session led by the Northborough Police Department.

We're incredibly thankful to our Police Department for their time, knowledge, and commitment to keeping our employees and community safe. Staff came away with valuable tools and insights to help them stay alert, prepared, and protected in any situation.

Thank you, Northborough PD, for your dedication to public safety and for investing in the well-being of our team!



IN THE COMMUNITY

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Congratulations to the safety-conscious kids who were spotted by our officers wearing their bike helmets and received a coupon for a free [Uhlman's](#) ice cream!



Thank you Be Well Northborough for inviting the NPD to join you in kicking off summer at Carnival Day!



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UPS Dogs

June 5 at 5:30 PM · 🌐

While out and about in Northborough, Massachusetts, Marshall the Comfort Dog spotted a big brown truck! UPS Delivery Driver, Don, was more than happy to take a picture with Marshall! Marshall is in training to become a certified comfort dog with the Northborough Police Department. Thank you, Don, for helping Marshall train just by saying hi and giving all the loving pats! Marshall's Instagram page is @marshall_npd_comfortdog

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#cookiemonster #dogpics #dogs #animals #friends
#love #dogsofinstagram #ups #lovedogs
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#dogstagram #dogslife #dogstyle #instagramdogs
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Marshall was spotted by a UPS driver and made the [UPS Dogs](#) Instagram page.

Good job expanding your social media presence Marshall! 😊



MAKE WAY FOR DUCKLINGS...



A GREAT COMMUNITY EFFORT!

Responding to a call from neighborhood children, the NPD and DPW teamed up to rescue 10 ducklings who fell into a storm drain.

Thanks to our amazing Westbrook Road and Assabet Hill Circle neighbors, especially the kids who spotted them, and all the residents who jumped in to help.

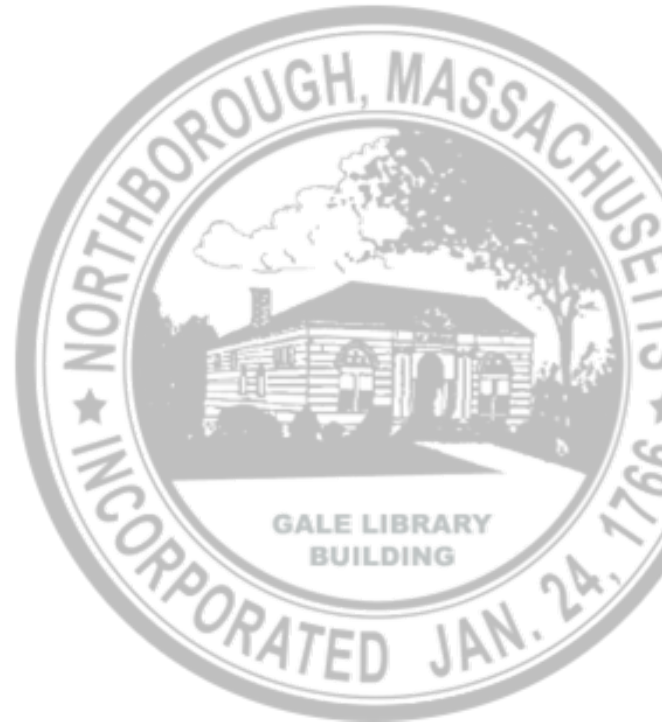
Special shoutout to the real heroes of the day: Robo and Dave from the DPW who did the hands-on rescue work!

Mother and babies were reunited after the rescue.

MONTH IN REVIEW

JUNE 2025

INCIDENT TYPE	JUNE TOTAL
TOTAL INCIDENTS	2065
ARRESTS	32
BURGLAR/PANIC ALARM CALLS	26
AMBULANCE / MEDICAL CALLS	76
ANIMAL CALLS	10
CRIMINAL COMPLAINTS ISSUED	23
DISABLED MOTOR VEHICLES	38
DISTURBANCES	18
DOG COMPLAINTS	20
FAMILY OFFENSES / DOMESTIC DISPUTES	8
FRAUD / IDENTITY THEFT	5
LARCENY	3
MENTAL HEALTH INTERVENTIONS	7
MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENTS	38
NARCOTIC DRUG VIOLATION	1
OPERATING UNDER THE INFLUENCE	12
SCHOOL VISITS	8
SHOPLIFTING	8
TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENTS	26
TRAFFIC STOPS	635
WARRANT ARREST	5
WELL-BEING CHECKS	21



MAY TOTALS

911 CALLS RECEIVED	451
BUSINESS LINE CALLS	1905
FIRE RADIO TRANSMISSIONS	1988
POLICE RADIO TRANSMISSIONS	4788

JUNE
AT-A-GLANCE

REMEMBERING SGT ELLSWORTH

JUNE 2025



MICHAEL W. ELLSWORTH

12/13/1952 - 6/13/2025

We were saddened to hear about the passing of Mike Ellsworth, a dedicated and longtime member of the Northborough Police Department.

Sergeant Ellsworth served our community with honor, integrity, and unwavering commitment. His laugh and smile could brighten up anyone's day.

Our deepest condolences to the Ellsworth family.

Below is just a sampling of the hundreds of comments left on our Facebook post announcing his passing. A true testament to the type of person and officer he was, shared by just a fraction of the people who's lives he touched:

"The one officer I didn't mind getting pulled over by in my teens."

"Mike was a wonderful man. Probably more than 40 years ago he was at our house in Northboro. Our son's brand-new BMX bike was stolen off our deck. Mike was wonderful with our son, Adam making him feel better. We have nothing but great things to say about Mike. He was special. Fly High Mike and RIP. So sorry for your loss"

"Great person, friend, and officer. Enjoyed the mentorship and coaching on so many ride along shifts with him."

"Heartbroken to hear of the passing of Mike. I had the honor of working alongside Mike for several years – a true professional, a steady presence, and a great guy. He will be deeply missed by all who knew him. Rest in peace Mike."

"Prayers for the Family. He protected me from the teen fighting at the plaza now CVS, many years ago."

"Mike was a real class act both personally and professionally and will be truly missed. RIP brother and keep watch over those still on the job"

"RIP Mike. Great friend & mentor who showed me around when I started. Cared about people and always a professional...he will be missed."

"A true class act. Symbolized everything a police officer and a person should be. He always stood up for what was right and fair. Thoughts and prayers for him and his family."

"My sincere condolences to his family. Mike was a very good police officer, and an even greater man."

"You were the Best of the Best. My deepest condolences to the Ellsworth Family and your Family in Blue. Thank you for your years of service. Sending hugs, lots of love & prayers for all of you. Rest Easy Hero. Godspeed!"

"Mike was a true gentleman, a dedicated public servant and a good man. I was blessed to call him a friend and proud to have served under him when he was Chief in Bolton"

"He was such a good person, police officer and friend. He will be greatly missed"