



## **JULY 2020 BCHRAC COORDINATOR'S REPORT**

### GENERAL RESPONSIBILITIES

- Circulate and post July 13, 2020 agenda with June minutes for approval
- Time to re-evaluate membership of Working Groups
- Secured Richard Vengroff, Professor Emeritus, for discussion on new asylum regulations being proposed by the Trump Administration

### BARNSTABLE COUNTY

- The Falmouth Hospital proposal to close the maternity and pediatric units of the hospital, was rejected after a public hearing; DPH found these services necessary to preserve health services within the Hospital's service area
- Continuing to work with Sonja Sheasley, Communications Director, to post pertinent information on our website and Facebook page
- Wendy Bierwirth was given administrative privileges to assist Sonja in posting items on HRAC Facebook page
- Advisory Commission members are urged to forward me any items for posting on the HRAC website or our Facebook page

### OTHER

- HRAC and Chief Frank Frederickson, with the Police Chiefs Association of the Cape & Islands, co-hosted a second call to discuss specific policing policies and procedures. Feedback was mixed with some people wanting to tell their individual experience with the police. Others viewed it as an opportunity to learn more about specific policies. Dialogue will continue with police to see how we can bring it to public meetings throughout the Cape.

- Received approval to hire an Assistant for 5 hrs./week. Working on job description, which will be shared with HRAC Board members prior to posting the position.

**Suggested viewing: Mask PSA-Falmouth Clergy Association**

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jTojMPCdMLk&fbclid=IwAR3P1ghDQzWiJOB5BlxyyChlQWQblxOlsCXtiZbT75\\_NRznpP-MY3WnN1Kg](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jTojMPCdMLk&fbclid=IwAR3P1ghDQzWiJOB5BlxyyChlQWQblxOlsCXtiZbT75_NRznpP-MY3WnN1Kg)

**Webinar: July 23, 2020, 7:30 pm: Policing: The Change America is Awaiting**

Americans have taken up the fight for fairness and equity in the policing of their communities. The numerous stakeholders for change and reform are debating concerns for what it will take to create model policing that serves the interests of our communities and policing as well. Three experts will help “unpack” this long-festering issue. They bring to our discussion experience in policing, activism, research, and solutions they believe essential for reform and change.

**To RSVP for the Zoom webinar:**

[https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_jZP4R1fxQYaUa60eaqbrMA](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_jZP4R1fxQYaUa60eaqbrMA)