New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park Center's hours to change January through March

"New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park has announced winter hours of operation for the park's visitor center.

The visitor center, located at 33 William Street, will be open to the public Wednesday — Saturday from 10 am — 4 pm. This change in hours begins January 1 and remains in effect until March 31, 2024. The visitor center will be closed on Sundays, Mondays, and Tuesdays, including New Year's Day.

Established on November 12, 1996, New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park serves as a model for community partnerships in the National Park Service. Located in the urban setting of downtown New Bedford that spans over 13 city blocks, the park and its partners preserve, protect, and interpret the cultural resources associated with the history of the American whaling industry.

The park is more than whaling as it includes stories of global immigration, Underground Railroad, women's history, cultural diversity, architecture, art, and their relevance to current topics. The Visitor Center is located at 33 William Street in downtown New Bedford and is open every Wednesday through Sunday, 10:00~AM-4:00~PM (April-December). Park Rangers offer orientation to visitors, maps, and brochures on the surrounding area. The building is wheelchair-accessible and is fee-free.

For more information, call 508-996-4095, visit nps.gov/NEBE or

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