## PACE Is Hosting Friday Fun Day On July 19th In New Bedford

PACE is holding a community event on July 19th from 12:00pm - 3:00pm at the PACE Community Food Center Park located at 477 Park Street, New Bedford, MA.

Brooke L'Etoile, Health & Food Access Director at PACE, shared, "Join us for our 1st Annual Community Fair at the PACE Community Food Center, located at 477 Park St, New Bedford, on Friday, July 19th from 12pm to 3pm. This is a FREE family event featuring activities, music, and various community resources. Come explore what PACE and other organizations in our community have to offer!"

## Programs attending include:

PACE Head Start provides part-time and full-day center-based services from birth age to 5 years old to families in the Greater New Bedford area. Services include early education that builds upon a child's strength, care that addresses diverse family needs, parent involvement, and collaboration with community agencies.

PACE Fuel Assistance is partnered with the Massachusetts Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) to help eligible households pay a portion of winter heating bills for ALL sources of heat.

Diapers N' Things is a PACE program entirely supported by community donations working to improve children's health. Pick-up for supplies is available every Tuesday alternating between PACE and The Center for Economic Development Center (CEDC).

PACE Housing Opportunity Center offers programs and resources

to help people in financial hardships keep their apartments or houses. They provide limited rental assistance and guide families in the right direction regarding local and state programs.

## Other community organizations who will be at the event include:

Parents as Teachers support families by enhancing parental knowledge of child development, detecting developmental delays, and improving family health. They use an Evidence-Based Home Visiting Model to assess family needs and goals, aiming to prevent child abuse, increase school readiness, and strengthen community ties. For more information, visit Parents as Teachers.

Boys Town New England offers life-changing care through its Family Home Program, which supports children aged 12-17 with trained caregivers teaching life skills. Their Foster Family Services train and support future foster parents, while In-Home Family Services help parents learn new skills while children remain at home.

M.O.L.I.F.E enhances the lives of individuals with intellectual and developmental disorders through career development, housing, and community inclusion. They offer residential services, a Community-Based Day Support Service, and individual support to help individuals live with their families or independently.

New Bedford Public Schools consists of 25 schools across the Greater New Bedford area and are dedicated to fostering academic excellence and opportunities for all students. They offer early childhood education as well as career and technical education.

MassHire connects jobseekers and businesses for employment opportunities. Their New Bedford branch assists employers in hiring and training, provides youth programs for employers and

schools, career counseling for ages 14-24, and prioritized services for veterans. For more information, visit MassHire.

Join PACE for a fun-filled afternoon of community engagement and valuable resources!