

## Community E-Newsletter

April 2022

*How you've helped your neighbors in need on their road to self-sufficiency.*

**We couldn't do it without you**

### Education Returns To In-Person Learning!

We are excited to announce that our classrooms are open! At the end of March, the voices of English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) students were filling our halls. Our language learners have the option to study in person or remotely via Zoom. Here is one student's story:



Hernando\* immigrated to the United States two years ago and settled in Beverly. He has struggled to learn English. English classes were too expensive, or too rigid in their attendance policies. When Hernando heard that the free ESOL classes at Beverly Bootstraps offered a flexible schedule, he thought it was too good to be true. Hernando enrolled and now works one-on-one with a volunteer language tutor during the early evening hours. Hernando is able to continue his language classes even on the weeks when he picks up extra shifts at work. Hernando doesn't have to choose between earning extra money for his family and attending English classes. Now he can do both.

Hernando works in janitorial services, but his dream is to return to a profession in accounting. This is the occupation that he had in his native country, Uruguay. By improving his language skills, Hernando hopes to realize his dream and find a better job with higher wages so that he can care for his growing family.

Our education department would not be able to help people like Hernando without the generous donations from our community and the amazing volunteers who contribute their time to tutor our students.

The online model that came out of the pandemic proved successful for so

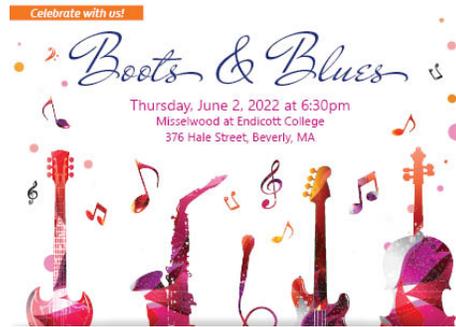
many of our students. Remote learning allowed students to focus on studying without the difficulties of childcare, transportation, and parking. Adult Education will continue to offer remote tutoring for our language learners and for those studying for their high school equivalency diplomas. If you, or someone you know, would benefit from these classes please contact Yvonne at 978-288-6150 or [yvonne@beverlybootstraps.org](mailto:yvonne@beverlybootstraps.org).

\*Names were changed to respect client privacy.

## Exciting news

### Boots & Blues Tickets Are Now On Sale!

Join us for a casual, outdoor gathering of friends to celebrate 30 years of community support. Let the sounds of the ocean and blues music fill your night. Enjoy Southern fare and dancing while sipping lemonade or something from the cash bar. Together, we will toast to all the lives you've impacted over the years.



Individual tickets start at \$100.

Interested in becoming a sponsor?  
Contact our Director of Development [Chris Nazareth](#)

To purchase tickets, head over to our [Boots & Blues site >>](#)

## How you can help

### Seeking Diapers and Clean Egg Cartons!

Our Food Pantry is currently seeking donations of diapers (sizes 4-6) and clean egg cartons! The Food Pantry uses donated egg cartons to give fresh eggs to our clients. We are open to accept donations:  
Monday-Thursday: 8:30 am - 6:00 pm  
Friday: 8:30 am - 4:00 pm



### Calling All Springtime Donations!

[Beverly Bootstraps Thrift Shop](#) is now seeking spring donations! Drop off your gently used spring clothes and housewares

during any of our open donation hours!

Monday-Friday: 9:30 am - 4:00 pm

Saturday: 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

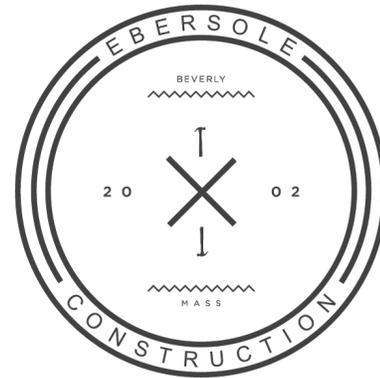
[See what we accept >>](#)



**Thank you!**

## **Ebersole Construction Helps Us Look Our Best!**

Special thanks to [Ebersole Construction](#) for all the work they've done renovating our offices at Beverly Bootstraps over the past year - Andre and his team do amazing work!



## **Beverly Girls Softball Trains and Gives Back!**

Recently, [Beverly Girls Softball](#) held their annual Skills & Drills Clinic. During their training, the girls also collected 110 pounds of donations for our Food Pantry! Great work!



## **Church in the Cove Creates Snack Bags For Kids in Need!**

The children at Beverly's [Church in the Cove](#) recently worked together to make snack bags for families who utilize our Food Pantry. Their great teamwork will go a long way towards helping kids who are food insecure!



## **Adult Foster Care of the North Shore Hosts A Very Successful Menstrual Product Drive!**

Big thanks to [Adult Foster Care of the North Shore](#) for their great work in hosting a menstrual care product drive! Menstrual care is an expensive and often overlooked need for those who have food, housing, and monetary insecurities. Thanks to drives like these, we are able to help members of our community with these necessities.



## Happenings

### **Fun Day, Sunday Sale at Thrift Shop**

**Sunday, April 24, 10:00 am – 4:00 pm**

**Beverly Bootstraps Thrift Shop, 198 Rantoul Street, Beverly**

Join us at The Thrift Shop, located at 198 Rantoul St., on Sunday, April 24th, from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm for our 2nd Annual Fun Day, Sunday Sale! Specially-selected and unique items will fill the racks and shelves, providing a fun shopping experience! You can feel good about shopping because 100% of the net profits help fund the critical programs of Beverly Bootstraps.

### **Stamp Out Hunger**

**Saturday, May 14, 2022**

NALC's #StampOutHunger Food Drive is just around the corner! Remind your family, friends, and neighbors to leave a bag of nonperishable food by their mailbox on Saturday, May 14, and their letter carrier will handle the rest! All donated food stays within the local community. Learn more [here](#). Please note, the food drive is subject to change or cancellation if necessary to protect the safety and health of those involved.

### **Touch-A-Truck**

**Sunday, May 15, 2022, 10:00 am - 1:00 pm**

**Beverly High School, 100 Sohier Road, Beverly MA**

The Annual Touch-A-Truck Event is a unique, interactive, one-day event held in Beverly during National Public Works Week. This event allows children to see, touch and explore their favorite big trucks and vehicles as well as meet the personnel who protect and serve the Beverly community. During the event, Beverly Public Services and Beverly Bootstraps will be co-hosting a food drive to benefit those in need in our community!

### **Boots & Blues**

**Thursday, June 2, 2022, at 6:30 pm**

**Misselwood at Endicott College 376 Hale Street, Beverly, MA**

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Beverly Bootstraps has always been committed to social justice. Helping people who might not have their basic needs met or an opportunity to avail themselves of education, for whatever reason or life story, is at the core of our mission.

We proudly serve, work with and employ individuals regardless of race, gender, age, sexual orientation, religion, or nationality. Further, we ask our community and world to do better and work towards justice and equal opportunities.

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