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Extending the Season of Giving: Quincy College continues year-round support of Salvation Army programs *December 8th to mark Quincy College Volunteer Bell Ringing Event*



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Quincy College staff are all smiles as they support the Salvation Army during a Bell Ringing event

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Social Release (130 Characters): .@QuincyCollege to host day of volunteerism at local #Quincy .@StopandShop to benefit .@SalvationArmyUS

Press Release Synopsis:

Quincy College is extending their annual tradition of giving back to local community programs by hosting a designated Quincy College Day of Bell Ringing on behalf of the Salvation Army's red kettle holiday events. Quincy College staff will be bell ringing at the Southern Artery Stop & Shop at 495 Southern Artery, Quincy, MA 02169 on December 8th from 9am - 4pm. In addition to this day of volunteerism, Quincy College is a proud kettle sponsor of this bell location for a month.

Quincy, MA (12/4/2017) - This event is but one of many year-round, local Quincy College events that support Salvation Army's community programs and initiatives. In the past, Quincy College has participated in the Christmas in July bell ringing event held in Quincy and the annual Quincy College softball game versus the City of Quincy is a fundraiser for the Salvation Army of Massachusetts.

The college is bell-ringing to benefit local Salvation Army services such as emergency services, youth programs, and food pantry services supporting the those in need in the City of Quincy and other south shore communities. Quincy College President Peter H. Tsaffaras will also participate in bell ringing on Wednesday, December 6th. In previous years, President Tsaffaras has assumed the role of Kettle Captain during the holiday season.

President Peter H. Tsaffaras reflects on cultivating a Quincy College culture of giving back and the importance of supporting local South Shore programs, like the Salvation Army of Massachusetts:

"What started as an annual tradition for Quincy College to join in the Salvation Army's efforts of giving back to those who are a bit less fortunate during the holiday season has transitioned to a year-round emphasis on supporting those in need in our local community. Need is not dictated by the time of year. Support is needed year-round in raising critical funds for services like emergency services, youth programs, and the local food pantry. I look forward to continuing to support local programs here in Quincy and on the South Shore year-round and toward the Quincy College community coming together on December 8th as an effort to give back to the communities that surround our campuses."

In addition to the Salvation Army day of bell ringing, Quincy College has started a canned food drive which concludes on Friday, December 8th to support Interfaith Social Services.

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ABOUT QUINCY COLLEGE

Founded in 1958, Quincy College is a two-year, municipally affiliated community college serving approximately 4,500 students at campuses located in Quincy and Plymouth, Massachusetts. Quincy College is an open access institution that encourages academic achievement and excellence, diversity, economic opportunity, community involvement, and lifelong learning. The College facilitates valuable learning relationships that inspire students to realize their educational and professional futures. The college offers 37 associate degree programs and 25 certificate programs in a variety of disciplines, including those within Professional Programs, Liberal Arts, Natural & Health Sciences and Nursing. The college is accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges, and is licensed by the Massachusetts Board of Higher Education to grant the degrees of Associate in Arts and Associate in Science. The college draws a diversity of students from the greater Boston area as well as 121 countries around the world.

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