

Statement of Carol Haney, Revere Beach Partnership

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Metropolitan Beaches Commission

The improvements that have been made on the metropolitan beaches as a result of the first MBC report are amazing. These were accomplished by the dedicated crew that now manages the beach and the infusion of funding to purchase and maintain equipment that provided the crew with tools they need to do their jobs well. These goals have been reached as evidenced by the number of people who now use the beaches.

The commission has also addressed the need monies provided to fund activities on the beaches. Understandably, this was considered of lesser importance at the time of the original report, but now is something on which I feel we should commit a greater focus.

The need for these events is very real, especially in a community such as Revere. Many newly arrived and underserved citizens reside here and have neither the opportunity nor the wherewithal to attend entertainment that costs money. I ask the Commission to consider placing the need for increased funding of activities on the beaches as a top priority.