



## New Neighbor Profile

Welcome, **Caron Bixby**, to 100 Cummings Center, Suite 333-A. Caron is a psychiatric mental health nurse practitioner (PMHNP), who was previously located in Salem, MA. Please join us in welcoming her to Cummings Center.

## COVID-19 Relief Funding

### Massachusetts State Funding - \$668 Million

Last week, the Baker-Polito Administration announced a \$668 million program to provide **new financial assistance** to Massachusetts restaurants, retailers, and other small businesses impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. The new business relief program will provide grant recipients with up to \$75,000 each, to be used for employee wage and benefits costs, space-related costs, and debt service obligations.

**The online application portal for the new program will close Friday, January 15.** More details on how to apply and eligibility requirements are available at [www.empoweringsmallbusiness.org](http://www.empoweringsmallbusiness.org).

### Federal Funding – Additional \$284 Billion for Payroll Protection Program

President Trump has signed into law a bill expanding and extending a number of pandemic relief benefits. An additional \$284 billion was allocated for disbursement from the Payroll Protection Program (PPP). With this latest bill, eligible businesses may apply for a second round of PPP funding. Eligibility was expanded to include all nonprofits, including 501(c)(6) organizations.

Read more on the federal relief program and changes in an overview from Cummings' TradeCenter 128 client **McLane Middleton**.

US Small Business Association will provide more specific detail in the coming weeks. In the meantime, consult your lender or advisor for guidance.

## Referral Opportunity

Do you know of a growing life science or technology firm in need of lab space quickly? You could earn a cash bonus of \$1,000 or more—and help that firm solve its

space need—by making a successful referral to Cummings. With in-house design, construction, and purchasing expertise, Cummings is uniquely positioned to deliver specialized labs in short order for biotech, biomanufacturing, pharma, and research firms. This rendering, for example, shows our team's planned buildout for new small labs coming to Dunham Ridge in Q2 2021.



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## Friendly Reminders

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**New Year, New Info:** It is important for each Cummings Properties client to have an up-to-date emergency contact list on file with the leasing office. The list should include the names and phone numbers of the company's key employees who should be contacted in the event of an after-hours emergency and are authorized to sign out a duplicate key (if available) if someone is locked out of the space.

Any client who would like to update contact information to reflect personnel moves or other changes may download an emergency contact update [form](#). Please print out the form, complete it in full, have it signed by an authorized representative, and return it to the leasing office at 100 Cummings Center, Suite 107-L, or email it to [bevadmin@cummings.com](mailto:bevadmin@cummings.com).

## Simple Smiles

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Simple Smiles was created to help everyone start the week off learning, imagining, and smiling. We invite all North Shore News readers to submit photos of something or some place they find interesting, informative, or exciting. Please refrain from sharing photos that feature people.



## Shoe Snippets

*Fun facts about the historic Cummings Center site, formerly known as "The Shoe"*

Masons and carpenters were recruited from as far away as Canada and Italy to build The Shoe. All concrete forms were made from scratch, using wood plans, and all concrete was mixed on site, using aggregate from granite ledge blasted on location.

## Call for Submissions



**We want to hear from you!** Do you have news or a great photo to share? Is there a special you'd like to offer to Cummings clients? Email your news, offers, and photos to Helen at [newsbrief@cummings.com](mailto:newsbrief@cummings.com).

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