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## OFFICE OF THE MAYOR EDWARD A. BETTENCOURT, JR.

### Mayor Bettencourt Touts Shuttle Service for Veterans

Mayor Edward A. Bettencourt, Jr. announced that the city is once again offering its military veterans round trip shuttle service to the Jamaica Plain VA Hospital in 2016.

The shuttle will go to the Jamaica Plain VA on the first Tuesday of every month and the third Wednesday of each month. The Tuesday shuttle will depart from the Torigian Community Life Center at 75R Central Street at 8:30AM and depart from the VA hospital at 2:00PM for the return trip to Peabody. The Wednesday shuttle will depart the Torigian Community Life Center at 8:30AM and depart the VA hospital at 1:00PM for the return trip to Peabody.

“I have heard from many veterans that getting to and from the VA hospital can be quite an ordeal in terms of transportation, parking and finding a family member or friend to accompany them,” said Mayor Bettencourt. “This shuttle service is designed to alleviate some of that burden so our veterans can focus on getting the medical care they need.”

Those veterans interested in obtaining shuttle service are asked to set up their own appointment with the VA Hospital on the corresponding Tuesday and Wednesday that shuttle service is offered. Once they have their appointment with the VA, veterans are asked to contact the Council on Aging to reserve their spot on the shuttle. One escort per veteran is allowed.

Contact the Council on Aging at 978 531-2254 for more information or to make a reservation. The shuttle service is funded by the JB Thomas – Lahey Foundation.

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