

# Winter Break Resources



## Free/low-cost Things to do

- **Boston Puppet Library – FREE**

15 Newbury St., Boston MA 02116 (enter by back door in public alley 437 between Newbury and Commonwealth)  
Tuesdays 2-7pm  
Stocked with parade puppets and banners that are loaned out across the Greater Boston area  
<https://puppetco-op.org/libraries.htm>

- **Rose Kennedy Greenway Winter Lights Display: Hatchlings – FREE**

Daily 5-10pm  
<https://esplanade.org/hatchlings>  
See link for locations and more details: <https://www.google.com/maps/d/u/0/viewer?mid=1HeX79kcX04bdXkjFSMtMBR7AvaAUhjc&femb=1&ll=0%2C0&z=15>

- **Snowport: Winter in Seaport – FREE**

Holiday Market  
NYE Ice Sculpture Stroll  
<https://www.bostonseaport.xyz/snowport>

- **First Night**

12pm – Family Festival Kickoff at City Hall Plaza  
Performances, ice sculpture viewings, and live entertainment throughout the day  
Also, performances at Faneuil Hall Marketplace and the Rose Kennedy Greenway  
6pm – First Night Parade through the streets of downtown Boston towards Boston Common  
7pm – Family Fireworks on Boston Common  
8pm – First Night Party on the Plaza  
12am – First Night Harbor Fireworks

- **Holiday Lights Trail**

Newbury & Boylston Street, Commonwealth Ave Mall, Boston Public Garden, Boston Common, Downtown Crossing, Faneuil Hall, Christopher Columbus Park Trellis, Seaport

- **Outdoor Ice Skating**

1. **Frog Pond** – free for kids under 58 inches, \$6 for anyone over 58 inches
2. **Skate @ Canal District** – 300 Athenaeum St., Cambridge  
\$1 for children under 13, \$4 for students & seniors, \$6 for adults
3. **DCR Kelly Outdoor Rink** - FREE  
\$2 skate rentals for kids and \$3 for adults

- **Candy Engineering, Chestnut Hill – FREE**

Wed. 12/27 and Thurs. 12/28  
Metropolitan Waterworks Museum  
Engineer amazing spice drop structures and design your own candy maze!

- **Bethel Pentecostal Church Free Toy Giveaway**

Ages 1 month – 10 years old  
One toy per child – first come, first served  
Saturday Dec 23 10am-1pm

- **Noon Years' Eve Countdowns – FREE!**

Mattapan Branch of the BPL (1350 Blue Hill Ave, Mattapan, MA)  
Brighton Branch of the BPL (40 Academy Hill Rd, Brighton, MA)  
Egleston Square Branch of the BPL (2044 Columbus Ave, Roxbury, MA)



- **Discounted Museum Passes through Boston Public Library**

<https://www.bpl.org/museum-passes/>

A physical library card is required to reserve museum passes by phone, online or in person at a BPL branch.

- **TD Garden Guest List**

[https://tdgarden.formstack.com/forms/td\\_guest\\_list](https://tdgarden.formstack.com/forms/td_guest_list)

Sign up online for complimentary tickets to concerts and special events.

## *Fuel/Heating Assistance*

- **ABCD**

(617) 357-6012

Assists with heating bills for qualifying households

- **Citizens Energy Assistance**

(617) 338-6300

<https://www.citizensenergy.com/heating-assistance-resources>

- **MA Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)**

Pays a portion of heating cost for eligible households

Eligibility – gross income is 60% of the estimated state median income or less

<http://www.toapply.org/MassLIHEAP>

- **Green Energy Consumers Alliance**

(617) 397-5199/ [hell@greenenergyconsumers.org](mailto:hell@greenenergyconsumers.org)

Assistance with oil delivery

- **Salvation Army**

(617) 536-5260

1500 Washington St., Boston, MA

<https://easternusa.salvationarmy.org/massachusetts/boston-south-end/>

