

Athol Public Library
Community Information Booklet
Updated Fall 2015

AARP

Linda S. Fitzgerald, President
Debra Banda, State Director
Massachusetts Office 866-448-3621
1 Beacon Street, Suite 2301
Boston, MA 02108

ACOA AlAnon

Saturdays at 10 AM in conference room at the Athol
Memorial Hospital 413-545-0883
www.umass.edu/ewc/rr/iris_web/ewcr0263ai.html

Adult Children of Alcoholics

There are no local counseling centers.
www.adultchildren.org
Al-Anon Family Groups of Pioneer Valley
www.valleyalanon.org

Adult Day Health Services (Gardner Visiting Nursing
Association), North Quabbin Adult Day Health Service

1471 Main Street Rear, Athol
Kathy Kilhart, Program Director 978-544-5478
www.gvnahealthcare.org

AIDS information line 800-235-2331

AIDS Services North Quabbin

Pam Jobst, Outreach Case Mgr. 978-249-3511 ex283

AIDS Project (Worcester) Inc.

85 Green St., Worcester, MA 01604 508-755-3773
www.aidsprojectworcester.org FAX: 508-795-1665
Email: info@aidspjorprojectworcester.org

AIDS Hotline, Info on HIV Testing 800-750-2016

ALANON

Mondays at 7 PM in conference room at the Athol Memorial
Hospital 413-545-0883
www.umass.edu/ewc/rr/iris_web/ewcr0263ai.html

ALANON family groups of MA 508-366-4663

Alcoholics Anonymous

See Beacon Clinic Saturday 10a.m. *
Western MASS Intergroup (AA) Alcoholics Anonymous
474 Pleasant St., Holyoke, MA 01040 413-532-2111
Tues. – Sat. 9am-1pm & Thurs. until 5:45pm
Office Manager, Kevin L. intergro4@aol.com
www.westernmassaa.org FAX: 413-534-0929

ALS Support Group

Meets the last Thursday of the month 978-249-3511
at 6:00 pm at Athol Memorial Hospital

Alternative Schools

Franklin County Technical School 413-863-9561
82 Industrial Road, Turners Falls, MA 01376
CAPS Collaborative School, 978-632-2491
53 School St., Westminster Cheryl Rorik: 978-669-5150
Montachusett Regional Technical School 978-345-9200
see Montachusett Regional Tech.
Village School, Royalston 978-249-3505
On the Common, P.O. Box 122
www.villageschoolma.org info@villageschoolma.org
Winchendon School 978-297-1223
172 Ash Street, Winchendon, MA Fax: 978-297-0911
admissions@winchendon.org

Alzheimer's Care-Givers Support Group

2nd Wednesday, 3-4 PM at Adult Day Health 978-249-3717
Wanda Landry 978-248-6334

Ambulance Service (non-emergency)

978-249-8275
Athol Fire and Ambulance Emer. 911
Woods Ambulance 978-249-2711
Athol Firefighters Association 978-249-8275

American Legion, *see Edward H. Phillip Post #102*

American Legion Auxiliary, Post #102 American Legion

Becoming Inactive. For more information, speak to Mary.
Mary Brick, Treasurer 508-886-6160

American Lithuanian Naturalization Club

365 South St., Athol 978-249-3787
Paul Sundstrom, President
Paul Pace, V.P.
Bob Cramm, Treasurer
Linda Yuconis, Secretary
Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Athol-American-Lithuanian-Club/234243553264589>

American Red Cross (Central MA Branch)

2000 Century Drive 508-595-3700
Worcester, MA
www.redcross.org/ma/boston

Animal Control Officer

Jen Arsenault 978 249-2494

Animal Inspector

Call Town Hall for new inspector 978-249-2179
395 Pinedale Rd., Athol

Animal Protection and Problems

Animal officer: Jen Arsenault 978-249-2494
Dakin Pioneer Valley Humane Society 413-548-9898
MSPCA 800-628-5808

Environmental problems 800-632-8075

Arson Hotline

State Fire Marshall's office 800-682-9229

Athol Area United Way = United Way of North Central MA

649 John Fitch Hwy, Fitchburg, 01420 978-345-1577

Athol Bird and Nature Club

David Small, Exec. Dir. & President 978-248-9491

Robert Mallet, V.P. 978-249-2094

Wanda Rugoski, Treasurer 978-249-2828

Susan Bredesen, Membership Secretary

Sarah Mildren, Development Director

www.atholbirdclub.org Email: abnc@millersriver.net

Athol Board of Assessors *see Government-Athol*

Athol Board of Health *see Government-Athol*

Athol Board of Public Works *see Government-Athol*

Athol Community Development Program

Call for new director

Mary Ann Murphy 978-575-0301

Housing rehabilitation program

Available to residents living in Athol

Athol Conservation Commission *see Government-Athol*

Athol Council on Aging

Cathy Savoy, Director 978-249-8986

Judy Thayer, Coordinator

82 Freedom St.

Office: Mon-Th, 8:00 am - 3:00 pm, Special Events on Fri.

Bd. of Directors meets 3rd Tues. of month @ 1 p.m.

Margaret Young, Chair

Meal-site: Athol Senior Center, 82 Freedom St

Open Mon-Th 8:00am - 3:00 pm 978-249-9001

Senior Transport provided by MTG 978-575-9966

Athol Cultural Council

Brianna Haskins, Chair 978-249-0428

Marie Lehmann, Treasurer (*Resigning*)

Jean Shaughnessy, Secretary

Athol Finance Committee *see Government-Athol*

Athol-Gardner Council Knights of Lithuania

Meet 1st Tuesday (monthly) at 6:30pm at St. Francis Church

Richard Gatautis, President Cell: 978-501-7480

Contact: William Wisnauskas, V.P. 978-632-6942

Rev. Joseph Jurgelonis, Spiritual Advisor

Jackie Doherty, Financial Sec.

Athol Head Start (MOC)

CDC Center, 925 Main Street, Athol 978-249-9109

Athol Historical Commission

J.R. Greene, Chairman 978-249-0156

Shelley Small, V.P.

Jean Shaughnessy, Secretary

Carol Broulliet, Member

Richard Chaisson, Associate Member

Mark Killay, Member

Athol Historical Society Inc.

1307 Main Street, Athol

Susannah Whipps Lee, President 978-249-4342

Russell Kennedy, V.P.

Debra Ellis, Treasurer 978-249-5835

Kathy Cygan, Director

Hours: Sundays in June & July, 1-3 p.m.

www.atholhistoricalsociety.com athol250@gmail.com

Athol Housing Authority

21 Morton Meadows, Athol 978-249-4848

Christi Martin, Exec. Dir. FAX: 978-249-9604

Board: Charles Winn, Edward Sawin, Cathy Savoy, Edward

(Ted) Ledgard, Cathy Muzzy

www.athol.housing@verizon.net

Athol Industrial Development Comm. *See Greater Orange/Athol Industrial Development District*

Athol Lions Club

Meet on the 1st & 3rd Tuesday of every month at Athol Legion

Dave Flint, Contact & Former President 978-249-9038

Bryon Hall, President 978-544-8144

(*Bryon is President until the end of June 2015*)

Athol Memorial Hospital

2033 Main Street, Athol 978-249-3511

Amanda Madsadgen, Community Relations 978-630-5982

www.atholhospital.com 978-249-1226

Athol Memorial Hospital Aux.

Judy Howland, President 978-249-1145

2nd Tues @ 1:00 pm

Athol Mental Health *see Clinical & Support Options*

Athol/Orange Aero Club

Zane Dubour, Contact, Secretary 978-249-9212

David Bramhall, President

Meet at Orange Municipal Airport

P.O. Box 327

Athol/Orange Baptist Church

131 Ridge Avenue, Athol 978-249-8697

Rev. Mark Barilone, Pastor

Services: Sundays at 9 and 10:45 a.m.

AWANA for all Children Wed@ 6:00 pm

www.aobc.net

Athol Orange Blind Visions Group

Joe Valez *See Clubs and Organizations*

Joe still provides help for equipment or mental or social assistance.

Athol/ Orange (Interfaith) Clergy Association

Not presently active. A new representative is to be announced.
Call Hands Across North Quabbin for an update:
Beverly Prestwood-Taylor. 978-249-6202

Athol/Orange Community Television (AOTV)

Carol Courville, Exec. Dir. 978-249-4470
163 S. Main Street, Athol Fax: 978-249-6500
www.aotv13.org info@aotv13.org

Athol/Orange Disabled American Vets.

Pine Street, Athol
Alan Bowers, Contact 978-249-7164
John Dodge, Commander
Paul Dubey, Adjutant
Jeffrey Quinn, Treasurer

Athol/Orange Health & Human Services

See North Quabbin Community Coalition

Athol/Orange Lodge of Elks

Hall and Clubroom rental 978-575-0653
Chad Songer

Athol/Orange (Area) Rotary Club

P.O. Box 181, Athol (supports the Lifeline Project)
Every Monday @ 12:15 pm
Carol Courville, Treasurer, Contact 978-249-4470
Kirby Lecy, President (Until June 2015)

Athol Police Department

280 Exchange Street, Athol 978-249-3232
Timothy Anderson, Police Chief Fax: 978-249-7903
www.athol-ma.gov

Athol Public Library

568 Main Street 978-249-9515
Jean Shaughnessy, Director FAX: 978-249-7636
Angela Dumas, Children's librarian
Mon, Wed, Thurs, Fri, 9:30 am – 5:30 pm, Tues 9:30-8:00 pm
www.athollibrary.org info@atholpubliclibrary.org

Athol/Royalston Community Partnership for Children

See MOC Community Partnership

Athol/Royalston Educational Foundation

P.O. Box 149, Athol
Beth Gospodarek, Contact 978-249-0358
Joann Deacon, President
The foundation raises money from local donors to support creative educational and enrichment programs that are outside the funding provided in the regular budget. They emphasize bringing the community into schools and schools into the community. www.atholroyalstoneducationfoundation.org

Athol/Royalston School Committee *see Government – Athol*

Athol/Royalston Regional School Dept.

1062 Pleasant St., P.O. Box 968, Athol 978-249-2400
Anthony Polito, Superintendent
<http://www.arrsd.org>

Athol Senior Center

82 Freedom Street, Athol 978-249-9001
Meals for aged 60 and up held Tues. – Thurs. @ 11:30 am
Reservations made one day ahead.

Athol Town Government

See Government – Athol

Athol Town Hall

584 Main Street, Athol 978-249-4551
Hours: M-W-TH 8:00 am – 5:00 pm; T 8:00 am – 8:00 pm
Fri – Closed

Athol Traffic and Safety Commission

Timothy Anderson, Chairman 978-249-5385
pchief@townofathol.org trafficsafety@townofathol.org

Athol Transfer Station

978 -249-9551

Athol Woman's Club

Joanne King 978-249-6886
Mary Williams, President Elect Cell: 508-475-2568
P.O. Box 194, Athol

Auto Theft Hotline (Auto Theft Tip Line)

800-468-2886

Battered Women

See NELCWIT

Bay State Franklin Medical Center

See Franklin Medical Center

Bay State Rehabilitation Care

Bay State Franklin Medical Center 413-773-2227

Bereavement Support Group

Athol Memorial Hospital 978-249-3511
Last Wed of each month, 3:30-4:30pm

Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Franklin County

16 Court Square, Greenfield 413-772-0915
Danielle Letouranu-Therrien, Director FAX 413-772-0911
(must be 18 or older to volunteer)

Birth Certificate

Issued by the Town Clerk's office 978-249-4551
Memorial Building, 584 Main Street, Athol

Blind

MA Commission for the Blind 800-332-2772
MA Association for the Blind 617-738-5110

Board of Planning and Community Development

See Government – Athol

Boys to Men

Jeremy Richman 781-789-9227
Free group for boys 11 & 12 in Athol & Orange.

Boy Scouts of America/Nashua Valley Council, Inc

1980 Lunenburg Road, Lancaster, MA 978-534-3532
www.nashuavalleybsa.org

Building Inspector; Building permits

See Govnment – Athol

Burning Permits

Issued by the Fire Dept. at certain times 978-249-3598

Business & Professional Women's Club

See Pioneer Jr. Women's Club, Orange

Cable Television *See Athol/Orange Community TV (AOTV)*
See Time/Warner Cable

Camp Wiyaka Information

Contact YMCA 978-249-3305 Ext. 21

Cancer

Cancer Information Service 800-4-CANCER
American Cancer Society 226237
Cancer Support Group Chairman
Bonnie Frank Hume 978-249-3511 Ext. 207
1st Wed. of month @4:30 PM in conference room
Bfrank-hume@atholhospital.org (Hume's cell) 508-517-2282

Catholic Charities Home Care Program

Paula Nicholson, Regional Supervisor 978-249-4563
12 Riverbend, Athol

Central Congregational Church

93 South Main Street, Orange 978-544-6895
Rev. Megan Leary 508-459-1887
Childcare & Sunday School provided
Service 10:15 am Sundays Sept-May-check for summer hours

Cemeteries

Maintained by the Dept. of Public Works 978-249-4542
Cemetery Division 978-249-8684
Active: Chestnut Hill
Highland
Gethsemene – Catholic, not maintained by DPW
Silver Lake
Mount Pleasant
Doe Valley
Inactive: Hapgood
Conant Road
Lower Pleasant Street
New Sherborn Road
Bigelow

Chamber of Commerce *See Athol Chamber of Commerce*

Chess Club

Mild Knights Chess Club
David Price, Contact 978-249-6040
Meets at Athol Public Library

Child Care Connection

413-475-3656

Child Care & Protection

Child at Risk Hotline, up to 13 years
After hours and weekends # 800-792-5200
Greenfield Branch 413-775-5000

CHD

131 W. Main Street, Orange 978-544-2148
Cathy Sickles, Director
357 Main Street, Athol 978-830-4120
332 Birnie Avenue, Springfield 413-733-6624
www.chd.org FAX: 413-439-2109

Christian Scientist Church

See First Church of Christ, Scientist

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints

634 Pearl Street, Gardner 978-632-8811
Meet 10 am – 1 pm every Sunday

Churches and Synagogues *See local listings in this book*

Check local Saturday paper for times

Athol Foursquare Church

Athol Congregational Church (United Church of Christ
Congregational)

Athol/Orange Baptist Church

Bethany Lutheran Church (M & Th evening free meal)

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints

First Church of Christ Scientist

First Unitarian Church

First Universalist Church, Orange

House of Love Ministries

Jehovah's Witness, Kingdom Hall

Mission Covenant, Orange

New Life Christian Fellowship of Assemblies of God

North Quabbin Bible Church

Our Lady Immaculate Roman Catholic

St. Francis of Assisi Roman Catholic

St. John's Episcopal

St. Mary's, Orange

Seventh Day Adventist

South Athol United Methodist

Starrett Memorial United Methodist

Temple Israel

The Salvation Army

Universal Life Church, Orange

Citizen Information Service

Info & referral on all aspects of State Gov't 800-392-6090

Civil Defense

See Government – Athol

Clinical & Support Options (CSO)

491 Main Street, Athol 978-249-9490
 Outpatient Mental health & counseling services
 Mental health center providing respite shelter 800-322-0424
 And crisis treatment FAX: 978-249-3139
www.csoinc.org Email: info@csoinc.org

Clubs & Organizations*See individual listings*

American-Lithuanian Naturalization Club
 Athol Area Mt. Grace Chapter of AARP
 Athol Bird and Nature Club
 Athol Golden Age Club
 Athol Firefighters Association
 Athol Grange
 Athol Historical Society
 Athol Lions Club
 Athol Memorial Hospital Auxiliary
 Athol/Orange Aero Club
 Athol/Orange Blind Visions Group (disbanded)
 Athol/Orange (Interfaith) Clergy Association (inactive)
 Athol/Orange Disabled American Vets
 Athol/Orange Emblem Club (inactive)
 Athol/Orange Women of Today
 Athol Police Association
 Athol Teacher's Association
 Athol Woman's Club
 Athol Woodsman, Rifle and Pistol Club
 Boy Scouts of America
 Daughters of the American Revolution
 Edward H Phillips Post #102 Amer. Legion
 Edward H Phillips Post #102 Auxiliary
 Exchange Club
 Friends of the Athol Public Library
 Girl Guards (Salvation Army)
 Girl Scouts
 Golden Age Club
 Mount Pleasant Encampment and (Mount Pleasant Woman's Auxiliary)
 Knights of Columbus
 Knights of Lithuania
 Ladies' Benevolent Society of Royalston
 Ladies' Home League
 Lions Club
 Masonic Lodge A.F. and A.M.
 Millers River Fisherman's Association
 Mission Circle (United Church of Christ)
 Mount Grace Business & Professional Women
 Orange Athenaeum
 Orange Historical Society
 Petersham Craft Center
 Rat Pack Paddlers Inc.
 Rotary Club
 St. Anthony's Society (Our Lady Immaculate)
 Sno-snoopers Snowmobile Club Inc.
 Sunbeams (Salvation Army) +B462
 Veterans of Foreign War
 Weight Watchers

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Department of Housing & Community Development
 Gerald Bell, Manager Community Services Unit
 100 Cambridge Street, Suite 300 617-573-1100
 Boston, MA 02114 www.mass.gov/dhcd

Commonwealth of Massachusetts; Transitional Assistance*(This is the new name for the Public Welfare Dept.)*

North Quabbin Patch, 378 Main St., Athol
(Full Service Office) 978-249-5070
 Fitchburg 978-665-8700
 Greenfield 413-772-3400
 Dept. of Children & Families, Fitch/Leom (formerly DSS)
 800-479-6111

Commonwealth of Massachusetts; Employment and Training Career Centers*(This is the new name for Dept. of Employment Security)*

Franklin/Hampshire Career Center, Greenfield 413-774-4361

Community Action (formerly Franklin Community Action)

393 Main Street, Greenfield 413-774-7028
 Clair Higgins, Exec. Dir. (rings to Greenfield) 978-544-5423
 North Quabbin Main Office
 167 South Main St., Orange
 Youth development programs (ages 9-21) 978-544-8109
 After school groups
 Leadership development
 Employment readiness
 Peace management
 Diversity support
 Community service learning
 Center-based child care
 Center for self-reliance food pantry
 Child care Outlook
 Common cents
 Community crisis response team
 Early head start
 Electric efficiency program
 Energy assistance
 Energy bucks
 Family child care
 Family learning center
 Family network
 Financial education classes
 First call for help 413-475-1573
 Fuel assistance program
 Head start
 Healthy connections
 Healthy families
 Heating system program
 Housing services
 The mediation & training collaborative
 Parent-child development center
 Parent-child home program
 Score peer mediation
 Tax assistance program
 Weatherization program
 WIC: women, infants & children
 Youth programs
 154 Federal Street, Greenfield 413-475-1792

Youth Age Group: 14-21 FAX: 413-774-7565
www.communityaction.us

Community Development Office See *Government – Athol*

Community Health Center of Franklin County
450 West River St., Orange (Medical) 978-544-7800
(rings through to Turners Falls) (Dental) 978-544-1576
Ken Guilbault, Chief Executive Director
www.chcfc.org

Community Coalition for Teens (CCT) *
34 N. Main St, Ste. 3, Orange
Joyce Fulmer, e-mail: teens@frcog.org

Community Transit Services 978-575-9966
573 South Street, Athol
Community Transit Services (CTS) provides a public dial-a-ride service in the Athol, Orange area. Transportation is provided for work, medical appointments, shopping, education and other quality of life services. CTS also provides a feeder service to the fixed route bus system that is operated between Greenfield and the Gardner/Winchendon area by FRTA and MART. Fax 978-575-9984

Computer Classes See *Athol Public Library*

Congregational Church See *United Church of Christ*

Consumer Protection
Office of the Attorney General 617-727-2200
Better Business Bureau of Central & Western MA & N.E. CT
6 Park Avenue, Suite 100, Worcester 01605
Hours: 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. (M-F) FAX: 508-754-4158
Consumer Hotline: 866-566-9222
Web & Automated Phone Services available 24/7.
www.cne.bbb.org info@cne.bbb.org

Copy Machines See *photocopies*

Council for the Arts See *Athol Cultural Council*

Council on Aging See *Athol Council on Aging*

Cyber Café (Greater Gardner CDC Cyber Café)
246 Central Street, Gardner 978-630-2975
www.ggcdc.org FAX: 978-669-0099

Daughters of the American Revolution *

DAV See *Athol/Orange Disabled American Vets*

Day Care, Preschool
Little Blessing Preschool 978-249-3743
Little Tots Day Care 978-249-2003
Y-Nursery School 978-249-3305 ex 16

Day Care, After school See *Parent Child Development Center of Franklin County, Athol Area YMCA Youth Reach!*

Deafness, Office of 800-882-1155

Death Certificates
Issued by the Town Clerk 978-249-4551
584 Main Street, Memorial Hall, Athol

Department of Public Works
Superintendent Doug Walsh 978-249-4542
Cemetery Division 978-249-8684
Garage located at 338 Unity Ave.
Athol Transfer Station/DUMP

Department of Transitional Assistance (Welfare Dept.)
The DTA office (Greenfield) has a satellite office in Athol at First Call for Help, 423 Main Street, Athol. The satellite is staffed Wednesdays from 9-5:00 pm. It is in the Patch Office. 800-470-5877

Diabetes Education & Support Group
3rd Wed. of month from 6:30-7:30 pm @ Athol Mem. Hospital (Sept-June) 978-249-3511

Dial/Self 413-774-7054
196 Federal Street, Greenfield
16 Miles Street, Greenfield
11th Street, Turners Falls
STEP – a transitional living program. Step Program
Coordinator -- Amy Calandrella
TeenLine – Street outreach, clinical support, housing –
Samantha Pepe & Thaddeus Poulter 413-774-7054
Director of the RISE AmeriCorps Program & PYDC Initiative – Matt Ashby
15 East Main Street, Orange 978-544-1800
RHY Programs Director -- Kelsey Wessels
www.dialself.org

District Court Orange (Athol cases heard in Orange)
1 Court Square, Orange 978-544-8277
Offices open Monday – Friday. Court sets Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 9:00-4:30 pm

Dog Licenses 978-249-4551
Available at the Town Clerk's Office
584 Main Street, Memorial Hall

Dog Officer
See *Animal Control Officer or Gov't – animal control officer*

Domestic Violence See *NELCWIT*
Contact the Athol Police Dept.

Drug Addiction, Info & counseling See *Community Action Corp.*

DSS – Department of Social Services, child welfare, Now known as DCF (Dept. of Children & Families).
Hotline: 1-800-792-5200
North Quabbin Patch is the Athol Office

423 Main Street, Athol
Bette Jenks 978-249-5070
Greenfield Area Office
143 Munson St., Unit 4 (413) 775-5000
Greenfield, MA 01301 FAX: (413) 773-5773

North Central Area Office
690 Mechanic St., Suite 100 (978) 353-3600
Leominster, MA 01453 FAX: (978) 353-3800
<http://www.mass.gov/eohhs/gov/departments/DCF>

DUMP Athol Transfer Station 978-249-4542
(See Department of Public Works)

DYS – Department of Youth Services
Provides oversight of Court involved youth.
Patch Office, 423 Main St., Athol 978-249-5070

Edward H Phillips Post #102 American Legion
325 Pequoig Avenue, Athol 978-249-3175
Toni Phillips, Historian
Roger Nowlin, S. VC
David Chapman, Jr. Sarg. At Arms
Edward Humphrey, Adjutant/Sr VC 978-575-0457
Alex Blake, Commander
Lee Plummer, Service Officer
Alan Bowers, Jdg. Advocate 978-249-7164
Peter Newman, Chaplin, Jr VC
Alan Bowers, Finance Officer

Elderly Care See Franklin County Home Care Corp., Senior
Citizen's Services

Elder Protective Services (Franklin County Home Care)
Elder abuse or neglect, Linda Puzan 978-544-2259

Elections

Polling Places:

Precinct 1 Athol Congregational Church
1225 Chestnut Street (Uptown Common)

Precinct 2 Liberty Hall
584 Main Street

Precinct 3 Town Hall (upstairs)
584 Main Street

Polls open 10 am – 8 pm for local elections
7 am – 8 pm for state and fed. elections

Voter Registration:

Time and place for registration will be announced in the local
newspaper before each election, approximately one month
before the election.

For information call Town Clerk 978-249-3551

Elks See Athol-Orange Lodge of Elks

Emblem Club See Athol – Orange Emblem Club

Emergency Services:

American Red Cross *

Ambulance: Emergency CALL 911 or 978-249-8275

General Information 978-249-3598

Electric power failure: National Grid 800-465-1212
Fire 978-249-3598
Hospitals: Heywood Hospital, Gardner 978-632-3420
Athol Memorial Hospital 978-249-3511
Bay State Franklin Medical Center 413-773-0211
Mental Health Emergency Service 800-562-0112
Clinical & Support Options 978-249-9926
Police Athol Police 978-249-3232
State Police 978-249-4341
Water Main Dept. Public Works 978-249-4542

Emergency Shelter for Youth (DCF) After-Hours Hotline –
child abuse reports 800-842-5905
See The Berkshire Center for Families (the DCF) Area Lead
Agency)

Emergency Shelter

Athol Fire, John Dugay, Chief, 978-249-8275
Athol Police, Tim Anderson, Chief 978-249-3232
Clinical and Support Options 978-249-9490
First Call for Help 978-249-4295
Housing Services 978-249-4295
Massachusetts Coalition for the Homeless 781-595-7570
North Quabbin Patch 978-249-5070
Salvation Army 978-249-8111
Turner's Falls Shelter 413-772-0499

Employment/Unemployment

Mass. Division of Employment & Training
Leominster 978-534-1481
Greenfield 413-774-4361
Gardner 978-632-5050

Even Start See Family Learning Center

Family Friends (United Arc)

111 Summer St., Greenfield 413-774-5558
Sue Jones, Contact 413-863-2082
Part-time grandparents play with kids who have cognitive
disabilities.

Family Pharmacy

321 Main St., Athol 978-249-9100

Farm School

Moore Hill Road, Athol 978-249-9944

FAX Machines

Country Convenience \$2.00 1st sheet, \$1.00 others
49 S. Main Street, Athol Phone: 978-249-2885
Athol Public Library
\$1.00 per sheet, no charge for cover sheets
568 Main Street, Athol Phone: 978-249-9515

Fellowship & Crafters

United Church of Christ Congregational, Athol
Shirley Bock, Leader 978-249-8206
2nd & 4th Tues. from 1PM - 3PM
Preferred attendance of senior citizens

Non-church members are still welcome to attend.

First Church Unitarian

478 Main Street, Athol, MA 01331 978-249-8142
Rev. Marilyn Richards athol.uu@gmail.com
Service: Sunday at 10:00 AM www.atholuu.org

First Universalist Church

31 N. Main St., Orange 978-544-6501
Nadine – Board Chair 978-544-6617

Fishing Licenses

Walmart / www.ma.wildlifelicenses.com

Fisher Museum

See Museums

Food Stamp Application *See Massachusetts, Commonwealth of, Transitional Assistance.*

Food Pantry, Free Meals

Orange Food Pantry (Food Bank) 978-544-2149
118 East Main Street, Orange. Open Thurs. 10-3 p.m. except when there are 5 Thursdays in month, then it is closed.
Bethany Lutheran Church, Orange. Free meal Mon. and Thursday at 5 p.m.
Franklin County Community Meals Program 413-772-1033
Evan Manning, Orange Food Pantry 978-544-2149
Brown Bag Distribution
82 Freedom Street, Athol, 3rd Wed 11:00-11:30 am
Salvation Army
107 Ridge Ave. Tues-Fri 9-12 p.m. 978-249-8111
Center for Self-Reliance
Osgood St., Greenfield. It is an emergency food pantry open 5 days/wk.
Survivor Center 413-863-9549
96 4th St., Turners Falls (for Franklin County Residents)
Open M-F from 10-1:15 (food pantry)

Franco-American Naturalization Club

592 South St., Athol 978-249-9840

Franklin County Home Care Corporation

330 Montague City Road, Suite 1, Turners Falls 01376
Regina E. Curtis, President of Board of Directors
Toll Free Line: 800-732-4636
TDD: 413-772-6566
Western MA: 978-544-2259
Central MA: 800-922-2275
Hours: M-F 9 AM – 5 PM www.fchcc.org
More Elder Info: www.800ageinfo.com or call 800-243-4636

Franklin County Dial Self

16 Miles Street, Greenfield 413-774-7054
Non-profit agency providing comprehensive services to adolescents. Safe place, shelter, teen line for ages 15-22.
Drop-in Center is open M-F from 2PM – 7PM
Orange by appointment

Franklin Hampshire Career Center

Career Ctr. at Old Bedroom Factory, Orange. Open Tues. and Wed. (two days per week). 978-544-3506

Fax: 978-544-0273

Main office 1 Arch Place, Greenfield 413-774-4361
Michael Truckey, Director 800-457-2603
Intake/employment and training programs,

(Bay State) Franklin Medical Center

Partial Hospitalization Program 413-773-2546
To make appointments for intake meeting:
Behavioral health (inpatient) 413-773-2595
Emergency 413-774-5411

FRCOG (Franklin Regional Council of Governments)

Network-offers training etc. for animal control 413-774-3167
Needs & networking in Franklin County regional towns

Franklin Regional Transit Authority (FRTA)

474 Main St., Greenfield 413-774-2262
Tina Cote Administrator
Transportation for Seniors & the disabled www.fрта.org

Friends of the Athol Public Library

Directors serve as chairman in rotation 978-249-9515
Jean White, Treasurer
Margaret Young, Trustee Rep.

Fuel Assistance

New England Farm Workers Council, Inc. (NEFWC)
(North Central Massachusetts only) 978-342-4520
473 Main Street, 3rd Floor
Fitchburg, MA, 01420

See Commonwealth of Massachusetts

GAAAFSN (Greater Athol Area Advocates for Families

With Special Needs), program of the ARC 978-249-4052
359 Main Street, Athol, MA 01331 Fax: 978-249-3683

GAAMHA Industries (Gardner/Athol Area Mental Health

Association), 208 Coleman St. Ext., Gardner 978-632-0934
Handicapped & elderly transportation services

Gardner Visiting Nursing Association (GVNA)

Elaine Fluett, President and CEO 978-632-1230
34 Pearly Lane, Gardner, MA 01440 800-382-7305
TTY: 800-439-2370
Voice: 800-439-0183
Answering Service: 508-798-7490
www.gardnervna.org

GED Examination

See High School Equivalency Examination

Gibson Drive Housing (Lakeside Apts)

Housing for the Elderly 978-249-4848
Info. call Athol Housing Authority FAX: 978-249-9604

Girl Guards

See Salvation Army

Girl Scouts

Girl Scouts of Central-Western MA, 800-462-9100
 Susan Lapierre, 508-853-1070
 Bonnie Price, contact person; e-mail: nqgirlscouts@gmail.com
 Katrina Wheeler
 DAISIES: Kindergarten; BROWNIES: Grades 1-3
 JUNIORS: Grades 4-6; CADETS: Grades 7-9;
 SENIORS: Grades 10-12

Global Classroom

Involves protection of rainforests 978-724-3530

GOVERNMENT - ATHOL Unless otherwise noted, all offices are located in the Memorial Building, 584 Main Street.

TOWN MANAGER: Shaun Suhoski 978-249-2496

ACCOUNTANT: 978-249-6618
 Assistant: Christine Mailloux

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER:
 Jen Arsenault 978-249-2494

BOARD OF ASSESSORS: Kenneth Vaidulas, Chair
 Lisa Aldrich, Assessor 978-249-3880

BOARD OF HEALTH: Debra Karan 978-249-7934
 e-mail: boh@townofathol.org

Handle septic, well and food permits, tanning, pool, camps, motels, hotels, state sanitary code for housing, communicable disease follow-up, body art

BOARD OF PLANNING & COMMUNITY DEV.
 David Small 978-249-2094

BUILDING INSPECTOR: Brianna Slowyra 978-249-3834
 Issues building permits, conducts inspections and issues certificate of occupancy

CONSERVATION COMMISSION: 978-249-2368
 Meeting Date: Fourth Tuesday (except July & Dec.)
 Robert Muzzy, Chairman 978-249-3734
 Voting Members: Dennis Killay, J.R. Greene, Robert Muzzy,
 Robert Shepardson, Walter Lehmann, Katheryn Harrow
 Associate Members: Elwin Bacon, John Bisbee, Jim Smith
 Jr. Ass. Member: Jacob Brissette

CONSTABLES:
 Leon A. Lozier, Kevin Materas, Ken Vaidulas

DPW: Doug Walsh *See Department of Public Works*

ECONOMIC Development & Industrial Corp. (EDIC):
[Jim Meehan](mailto:Jim.Meehan) 978-249-4985

FINANCE & WARRANT ADVISORY COMMITTEE:
 Ken Duffy, Chairman 978-249-8510

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

2251 Main Street
 John Duguay, Chief 978-249-4830
 Civil Defense 978-249-8275

HOUSING AUTHORITY *See also Athol Housing Authority*
 Cathy Savoy, Edward Ledgard, Edward Sawin, Charles Winn
 Cathy Muzzy
 978-249-4848

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS:
 Howard C. Adams 978-249-2179

LIBRARY TRUSTEES:
 Sharon Brighenti, Francis Foster, Margaret Feldman, John R. Greene, Christine Miranda, Margaret Young 978-249-9515

MEMORIAL HALL REVITALIZATION FUND
 Ethan Stone ethanstonemusic@hotmail.com

MODERATOR:
 Lawrence P. McLaughlin

OFFICE OF PLANNING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FAX: 978-575-0323
 978-575-0301

OPEN SPACE & RECREATION REVIEW COMMITTEE
 Earle Baldwin, Secretary, earlebaldwin@yahoo.com
 David Small 978-248-9491

PLANNING & COMMUNITY DEV. OFFICE 978-575-0301

PLANNING BOARD:
 Calvin Taylor 978-413-7405
 Subdivision review and approval and issue of special permits

PLUMBING INSPECTOR: Gerald Brousseau 978-544-6008
 139 Newton St., Athol 978-249-8752
 Inspects plumbing and signs building permit

POLICE Chief: Timothy Anderson 978-249-3232

SCHOOL COMMITTEE
 Karen McNiff
 Chet Hall, Steven Kaczmarczyk, Deborah Kuzmeskas, Dale Lougee, Joseph Maga, Nancy Melbourne: Chairman, Wayne Whitfield, Lee Chauvett, Joao Batista, Angelica Favreau

SEALER OF WEIGHTS & MEASURES:
 J.R. Greene, Memorial Building

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 Anthony A. Brighenti, Chairman
 L. Chauvette, P. King, Steve Raymond, Susannah Lee;
 Heather Brissette, Exec. Secretary 978-249-2368

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Anthony Polito 978-249-2400
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 Eileen Bristol 978-249-8484
 TOWN CLERK:
 Nancy Burnham 978-249-4551
 TOWN COUNCIL:
 Mark Goldstein, call Selectmen's Office 978-249-2368
 VETERANS SERVICES:
 Neil McGuirk 978-249-6935

**Government – Federal
 PRESIDENT:**

Barack H. Obama
 1600 Pennsylvania Ave.
 Washington DC 20550

VICE PRESIDENT: Joe Biden

U.S. SENATORS

Elizabeth Warren (202) 224-4543
 317 Hart Senate Office Building
 Washington, DC 20510

Ed Markey 202-224-2742
 255 Dirksen Senate Office Building
 Washington, D.C. 20510

REPRESENTATIVE:

James McGovern Phone: 202-225-6101
 438 Cannon House Office Building Fax: 202-225-5759
 Washington, DC 20515

Government – State

GOVERNOR

Charlie Baker 617-725-4005
 Office of the Governor Fax: 617-727-9725
 Room 280, State House
 Boston, MA 02133
 Email: constituent.services@state.ma.us

LT. GOVERNOR

Karyn Polito 617-725-4005
 Same as above

SECRETARY OF STATE

William F. Galvin 617-727-7030
 Room 337, State House
 Boston, MA 02133
 Email: cis@sec.state.ma.us

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Susannah M. Whipps Lee 617-722-2090
 State House Room 540
 Email: Susannah.whippslee@mahouse.gov

STATE SENATORS

Elizabeth Warren:
 2400 JFK Federal Building
 15 New Sudbury Street
 Boston, MA 02203 617-565-3170

Ed Markey:
 975 JFK Federal Building
 15 New Sudbury Street
 Boston, MA 02203 617-565-8519

Greater Athol Area Advocates for Families with Special Needs (GAAFSN), program of the ARC
 Martha Lewin 978-249-4052

Greater Orange/Athol Industrial Development Corporation

See North Quabbin Chamber of Commerce

Gun Permits Obtained at the Police Department,
 280 Exchange St., Athol

Hands Across North Quabbin

Mark Shoul, Royalston 978-249-9901

Head Start (Creative Kids)

Located at the CCD Center, Athol 978-249-6735

Healthy Families for 1st Time Mothers

167 S. Main St., Orange 978-249-7481

Heating Services

Montachusett Opportunity Council, Inc. (MOC)
 Energy & Environmental Services
 66 Day Street 978-342-7025
 Fitchburg, MA, 01420

High School Equivalency Examination (GED)

Cathy King 978-544-8917

Literacy Project at North Quabbin

34 N. Main Street, Orange

Designed to serve adults who have not finished high school or who have graduated from high school but are lacking in reading, writing or math skills. Personal and vocational counseling available. Funds available for eligible participants for transportation, childcare, and supplementary services. Classes free to those eligible under JPTA guidelines. Also, adult education clinic with sliding fee scale.
 Class times: Mon, Tues, & Wednesday 9:30a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Historical Commission

See Athol Historical Commission

Homeless Shelter

See Emergency Shelter

Hospice

See Senior Citizens Services or Gardner Visiting Nurses

Hospitals

See Emergency Services

Hostels

See Hostel Newspaper Subscription

Hotels in the area

Executive Inn, 110 Daniel Shays Hwy., Orange 978-544-8864
 Travel Inn, 180 Daniel Shays Hwy., Orange 978-544-2986
 Super 8 Motel, off Rt 2 Gardner (exit 23) 978-630-2888

Colonial Hotel, 625 Betty Spring Rd., Gardner 978-630-2500
King Phillip Motel, Athol Rd., Phillipston 978-249-5300
Rodeway Inn, 183 Main St., Westminster 844-267-7938

House of Peace & Education, Inc. (HOPE)

20 Barthel Ave., Gardner 978-630-4752
www.hopegardner.org; e-mail: hope@hopegardner.org
Contact: Christian Orodello, email: corodello@hopegardner.com

Housing Authority *See Athol Housing Authority*

Housing Services Program (1st Call for Help)

167 S. Main St., Orange 978-544-8091
Serving tenants, landlords, homeowners and home buyers in the Athol/Orange nine town region

Housing, Section 8

Kena Vescovi 978-249-4295, ex 103

Hunting and Fishing Licenses

Walmart www.ma.wildlifelicense.com

Hands Across No. Quabbin

<http://handsacrossnorthquabbin.org>

Philip Rabinowitz 978-249-4422
prabinow45@gmail.com
Helps build a civic culture of collaboration across differences

I.D.D. (Industrial Development District) *See Greater Orange/Athol Industrial Dev. Corporation (which is another name for the North Quabbin Chamber of Commerce)*

Illiteracy *See Literacy*

Immigration 800-375-5283

I.R.S. (Internal Revenue Service) 800-829-1040

Information Service *See Athol Public Library
See Millers River Information & Referrals
See 1st Call for Help
See Emergency Shelters*

Juvenile Alternative Sanction Program (JASP) *

Knights of Columbus

Meets at Our Lady Immaculate Church, Athol
Peter Newman, Grand Knight 978-249-6679
Bill Grazrano, Deputy Grand Knight 978-249-4105
Clarence Blanchard, Contact 978-249-3150

Knights of Lithuania, Council-10 978-249-9325
Athol/Gardner area
Meets 1st Wed at St. Francis of Assisi Church, Athol
Richard Gatautis, President 978-501-7480

Ladies Home League (Salvation Army)

107 Ridge Ave., Athol 978-249-8111

Lt. Elliot Higgins and Lt. Darlene Higgins Contacts

LaLeche League (Greenfield)

Meeting Schedule 2nd Wed monthly
Provides support to mothers who breast feed 800-525-3243

Lead Paint Poisoning Testing

MA Dept of Public Health 617-624-6000
State Hotline 800-532-9571

Legal Aid

Western MA Legal Services 413-774-3747
Franklin County Bar Assoc. 413-773-9839
MA Bar Assoc., Legal Referral Service 617-654-0400
Central MA Legal Services, Worc 508-752-3718
Legal Assistance, Worc 800-649-3718
RCap Solutions: rcatsolutions.org 800-488-1969

Library Commissioners, Board of 617-725-1860

Library, Public

*See Athol Public Library
See Wheeler Memorial Library, Orange*

Library Trustees (Athol Public Library)

Margaret Young, Chair 978-249-8593
Frank Foster, J.R. Greene, Susie Feldman, Christine Miranda, Sharon Brighenti. Meet when necessary in the Trustees' Room at the library, 568 Main Street

Licenses and Permits 978-249-4551
*See name of license or call Town Clerk's Office
See Government Athol*

Literacy

Literacy Project Greenfield Classroom, 15 Bank Row, Greenfield 413-774-3935

Literacy Project at North Quabbin (formerly North Quabbin Adult Education Center)

34 North Main Street, Orange 978-544-8917
M-W, 9-8; Th, 9-5; Fri closed
GED preparation; various community development efforts
(The Literacy Project) www.literacyproject.org

Literacy Volunteers of Orange-Athol

Currently defunct.
Contact Literacy Volunteers of the Montachusett Area 978-343-8184

Lithuanian Club *See American Lithuanian Naturalization Club or Knights of Lithuania*

Mahar (Ralph C.) Regional School District

507 S. Main Street, Orange
Tari Thomas, Superintendent 978-544-2920
www.rcmahar.org

Marine Corps League Pequog Detachment 1168
Barney Cummings, Commandant 978-724-3491

Masonic Lodge, North Quabbin Lodge
336 Main Street, Athol
Master: Andrew Chase
Senior Warden: Jeffrey Stewart
Jr. Warden: Daniel Bristol
Secretary: Bryan E. Ward 978-249-4976

MassHealth
Community Action 978-544-8091
167 South Main Street, Orange
You must make an appointment.

Massachusetts State Police
Athol Barracks, 2289 Main Street 978-249-4341

Massachusetts Service Alliance 617-542-2544
Funds for Community Service and Volunteer Programs

MA Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Children
335 Chandler St., Worcester, MA 508-753-2967

Mediation *See Quabbin Mediation*

Medicaid
Handled by Massachusetts Executive Office of Health and
Human Services, Division of Medical Assistance

Medical Access – Toll Free
Mass Health Enrollment Ctr. 800-525-0907
800-332-5545
888-665-9993

Mental Health
Western Mass. Alliance for the Mentally Ill *
Clinical & Support Options 978-249-9490
Emergency Services: Athol Memorial Hospital 978-249-3511
Emergency Services: Franklin County 413-774-5411

Millers River Environmental Center
See Athol Bird & Nature Club

Millers River Fishermen's Association
Gail MacKnight
Peter Mallett 978-544-7126

Millers River Greenway Corp.
100 Main St., Athol
Greg McGuane, President 978-248-9491
Works to promote establishment of a recreational corridor
between Athol and Orange on land and on water.

Millers River Watershed Council, Inc.
<http://millerswatershed.org>
David Small, Secretary
David Brule, President 978-248-9491
Rice Flanders, VP

JoAnne Burtin, Treasurer
Works to protect the health of the Millers River Watershed
and create opportunities for local residents to play a
stewardship role.

MOC Community Partnership
423 Main street, Athol (Patch Office) 978-249-7661
Frances Graziano, Coordinator FAX: 978-249-3319
e-mail: arcpckids@yahoo.com

Moderator, Town Meeting
Larry P. McLaughlin 978-249-3570
77 Stevens St., Athol

Montachusett Opportunity Council (MOC)
133 Prichard St., Fitchburg 978-345-7040
MOC Pro Health & Environmental, MOC Elder Services,
MOC Division of Community Services, Headstart

Montachusett Regional Technical School
1050 Westminster Street, Fitchburg, MA 01420
Fitchburg Calling Area 978-345-9200
Gardner Calling Area 978-632-8889
Massachusetts Toll Free 800-853-6689

Museums:
Fisher Museum of Forestry
324 N. Main St. Petersham 978-724-3302
M-F, 9-4 year round, Sat. & Sun. 12-4 May-Oct.

Gardner Museum
28 Pearl St., Gardner 978-632-3277
Marion Knoll, Coordinator
Tool Museum at L.S. Starrett Co. 978-249-3551
May be seen by appointment with Personnel Dept.

National Center For Missing and Exploited Children
800-843-5678

National Hearing Dog Center Inc.
1116 South Main Street, Athol Voice/TTY: 978-249-9264

New England Equestrian Center
Elwin Bacon 978-249-2004
www.equinecenter.org

**New England Learning Center for Women in Transition
(NELCWIT), 479 Main St., Greenfield 413-772-0871**
Cheryl Rogers, Exec. Dir. Hot Line: 413-772-0806
131 West Main Street, Orange 978-544-9857
Women's Support Group 413-772-0871
Counseling in family crisis situations, short term emergency
shelter for battered women
Children at Risk 800-792-5200
Hot Line for Emergency Support 888-249-0806, 413-772-0806
www.nelcwit.org

New Salem *See Swift River Historical Society*

Newspapers:

Athol Daily News, 225 Exchange St. 978-249-3535
Greenfield Recorder The, Greenfield 413-772-0261
Worcester Telegram & Gazette, Gardner 508-793-9100

North Orange Head Start (administered by the Parent-Child Development Ctr. In Greenfield)
168 Athol Rd., N. Orange, Sharon Hatstat 978-575-0522

North Quabbin Adult Education Center (now known as Literacy Project at North Quabbin)
34 North Main Street, Orange
Catherine King 978-544-8917
M-TH 10-2, Fri closed
GED preparation; various community development efforts
(The Literacy Project) www.literacyproject.org

North Quabbin Anglers
P.O. Box 79, Athol, MA 01331
David Zink, President 978-544-3183
Purpose: to advocate for sportsmen’s use of Quabbin Reservoir for fishing and promote passive recreation.

North Quabbin Area Food Resources See Food Pantry

North Quabbin Bible Church
1314 W. Royalston Rd., Athol 978-249-7369

North Quabbin Chamber of Commerce
Contact: Mark Wright, Executive Director 978-249-3849
251 Exchange Street, Athol 978-249-3703
www.northquabbinchamber.com

North Quabbin Citizen Advocacy
135 E. Main St., Orange (the Armory Building) 978-544-7794
Tom Doody, Coordinator
Program fostering volunteer relationships between people with disabilities and others in the community.

North Quabbin (Interfaith) Clergy Association
See Athol/Orange Interfaith Clergy Association-now inactive

North Quabbin Community Coalition
251 Exchange St., Athol 978-249-3703
Heather Bialecki-Canning, Exec. Dir. A community-wide alliance committed to improving the quality of life for all those living and working in the North Quabbin region.
www.nqcc.org

North Quabbin Community Food Co-op
www.quabbinharvest.coop

North Quabbin Family Literacy Partnership
See Literacy Project at North Quabbin

North Quabbin Family Physicians
201 South Main Street, Athol 978-249-0099

North Quabbin Legislative Contacts:

Sen. Steve Brewer, State House Rm. 109B 617-722-1540

North Quabbin Patch

423 Main St., Athol
Bette Jenks., Family Advocate 978-249-5080
THIS OFFICE WILL FAX FOR FREE FOR THOSE SEEKING FOOD STAMPS AND HOUSING ASSISTANCE

Notary Public

Located at Athol Public Library, Athol Memorial Building, any of the banks, the lawyers or the real estate offices.

North Worcester County Quabbin Anglers Association
See North Quabbin Anglers Association

Nursing Homes:

Quabbin Valley Health Care
821 Daniel Shays Highway, Athol 978-249-3717

Applewood Home For Elders
171 S. Royalston Rd., Athol 978-249-5110
applewoodhomeforelders@gmail.com

Nutrition Resource Center (Dept. of Pub. Health) *

OnStar Agent 888-466-7827

Orange Athol Industrial Development Corporation
See Greater Orange Athol Industrial Development Corp.

Orange Council on Aging
135 E. Main St., Orange
Clifford Fournier 978-544-1113

Orange District Court
1 Court Square, Orange, Clerk’s Office 978-544-8277

Orange Elementary School District
507 S. Main St., Orange
Tari N. Thomas, Superintendent 978-544-6763

Orange Family Advocates
Joann Woodcock 978-544-0018
OFA continues to work with the Orange Elementary Schools on the Healthy Schools/Healthy Communities Project.

Orange Food Pantry (run by County Community Action Corp.)
118 E. Main St., Orange 978-544-2149
(Thursdays 10-3:00 pm)

Orange Historical Society
41 North Main St., Orange 978-544-3141
Irene Ballou, President 978-544-6286
Lurene Hall, V.P.
Linda Knechtel, Secretary
Jeffrey Cole, Treasurer

Orange Housing Authority
200 E. River St., Orange 978-544-6000

Christi Martin, Director

Orange Lions Club

Admin@townoforange.org

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Orange-Lions-Club/330522563692124>

Orange Revitalization Partnership (ORP)

Work out of Rosie Thoms' house, Grove St.
Pat Andrews 978-544-8555

Orange Senior Center

Orange Armory, 135 E. Main St., Orange 978-544-1113

Our Lady Immaculate Church

192 School Street, Athol 978-249-2738

CCD Office on Main Street

Edwin Montana, Pastor

Organizations:

St. Vincent De Paul-Food Pantry

Knights of Columbus

Deacon: James Linderman

Parent Child Development Center, of Franklin County

Turners Falls 413-475-1405

Operate: Orange Head Start (classroom A & B)

Parent Teacher Organizations:

Contact Superintendent of Schools for info. 978-249-2400

Riverbend School

Principal Janeth Williams 978-249-2415

Pleasant Street School

Principal Dianne Ellis 978-249-2405

Sanders Street School

Janeth Williams 978-249-2410

Royalston Community School

Molly Superchi 978-249-2900

Athol Royalston Middle School Parent Council

Principal: Thomas Telicki 978-249-2430

Athol High School

Steven Meyer 978-249-2435

Parental Stress

Stress Line 24 hours 800-632-8188

Passport Application Acceptance Agency,

www.travel.state.gov

Passport Applications

May be filed at Fitchburg post office or Greenfield courthouse

Patch

See North Quabbin Patch or DSS (nowDCF)

Percolation Tests

Athol Board of Health 978-249-7934

Permanent Firefighters of Athol Call Men

2251 Main Street, Athol 978-249-3598

Eric Jack, Tres.

Petersham Craft Center

8 N. Main St, Petersham 978-724-3415

Nancy Allen & Sheila Youd, Co. Pres.

Ellen Burnham, V.P.

Tally Lent, Sec.

Jill Berry, Treas.

Nancy Allen, Publicity 978-724-0075

Christine Eaton, Education

Open Wed – Sun., 12-4:00 pm

Photocopying:

Available at:

Athol Public Library, 978-249-9515

Country Convenience Store, 49 S. Main St., Athol

978-249-2885

Wheeler Memorial Library, East Main St., Orange

978-544-2495

Physicians

For a complete list, including specialists, write:

Department of Public Relations

Athol Memorial Hospital

2033 Main St.

Athol, MA 01331

Pioneer Jr. Women's Club (GFWC affiliated)

Meets at Orange Armory (Senior Center)

1st Wed. of the month at 7:00 pm

Sherrie Johnson, President 978-544-8152

Planned Parenthood of Central MA

Worcester 800-258-4448 or 508-854-3300

Planning Board

See Government Athol

Plumbing Inspector

See Government Athol

Poison Information Center

Toll free 800-682-9211

Lead paint testing 800-532-9571

Police Union

International Brotherhood of Police Officers 978-249-5385

Scott Dubrule, President

Jarret Mousseau, V.P.

Pregnancy:

Tapestry Health Systems 413-773-5403 978-249-2013

Open Wed. 12-5:00 pm (number forwards to Greenfield)

Pro Health (Fitchburg) 978-342-3892

Pregnancy Hotline 800-322-5014

WIC (Women, Infants, Children) 978-249-2373

Prescription Advantage

Supplements Medicare drug plans. A program of the

Executive Office of Elder Affairs 800-243-4636

Property Evaluation *See Gov't Athol, Board of Assessors*

Public Transportation

Peter Pan Bus (528 North Main Street, Leominster, MA 01453)
800-343-9999
Wilson Bus, E. Templeton 978-345-4829
Montachusett Area Regional Transit (MART): 800-922-5636
100 Main St., Fitchburg 978-345-7711
Gardner, 555 Main St., Gardner 978-632-9980/978-632-7373
Ashburnham, Senior Van, Council on Aging 978-827-5000
Templeton, Senior Transport, Council on Aging 978-632-4592

AMTRAK 800-872-7245
DIAL-A-MART 978-345-7711 ex 3
Community Transit Services (CTS) 978-575-9966
Headquartered at the Athol Rail Depot
Bus service between Athol and Gardner, Athol and Greenfield
\$1.50 one way, Bus Pass \$10 (buys 10 one-way rides)
MART (for Mass Health Transport) 800-854-9928
Franklin Regional Transit Authority 413-774-2262 EXT 104
474 Main St., Greenfield 888-301-2262
Project Ride Share, FRTA, ADA Coordinator 413-774-7475
(transportation between human service agencies)

Public Utilities

Dept. of Telecommunications & Consumer Div 800-392-6066

Public Welfare Department

See MA, Commonwealth of, Dept. of Transitional Assistance

Quabbin Anglers *See North Quabbin Anglers*

Quabbin Harvest Market

12 North Main Street, Orange 978-544-6784

Quabbin House (a program of Clinical & Support Options)

21-25 W. Main St., Orange 978-544-1859
Richard Stemm-Street 978-544-1860
Fax: 978-544-1861

Quabbin Mediation

13 S. Main St., Org. 978-544-6142
(offers mediation services & workshops)

Radio Stations:

WJDF FM 11 S. Main St., Orange 978-544-5335

Rape:

NELCWT – New England Learning Center for Women in
Transition, 479 Main St., Greenfield 413-772-0871
Rape Crisis Center of Central MA 978-343-5683
285 Nichols Rd., Fitchburg (at Burbank Hospital)

Reach Early Intervention

Patch Office, 423 Main St., Athol 978-249-5070
Services for children 0-3 years of age

Recover Project

68 Federal St., Suite 125, Greenfield
413-774-5489, FAX 413-774-6039
www.wmtc.info.org (substance abuse and alcoholism)

Recreation

Summer Playground under supervision of Athol Recreation Commission. July and August for children ages 6-15, Monday through Friday. Registration first day, announced in local newspaper.

Town of Athol maintains the following areas for recreation:

Alan E. Rich Environmental Park on Main St., Athol
Canoe access to the Millers River
Silver Lake Park: Swimming, beach, fishing, 2 softball fields (1 lighted), 1 baseball field; and in winter, ice fishing and ice skating
Lake Ellis: Swimming, beach, fishing, boating, boat ramp with parking ; and in winter, ice fishing and ice skating
Lifeguard at both beaches 10 AM to 6 PM beginning school vacation until school starts
Fish Park: 1 softball field, swings, and 3 tennis courts
Sanders Street Field: 1 basketball court and 1 softball field
Lake Park: 1 hardball court
Lincoln Avenue: 2 tennis courts with parking
Athol Conservation Areas: Bearsden Forest, Gulf Area, Minnie French Area, Cass Meadow, Rowe Area, Tully Area.
For further information or to arrange for guide, write:
Athol Conservation Commission
Memorial Building, Athol, MA 01331
Little League: Rear American Legion Home
325 Pequog Avenue, Athol. *See Athol Little League.*
Softball Leagues: Teams play at Lake Ellis & Silver Lake Park
Summer Activities at the Athol Public Library: For children grades K-6. Schedules available at the Library. 978-249-9515
YMCA: Scheduled activities for Spring, Winter and Fall for all ages. Limited programs in Summer. More information available at desk in YMCA lobby 978-249-3305
Golf Courses: Ellinwood Country Club in Athol and Petersham Country Club in Petersham.
Northfield Mountain Recreation and Environmental Center:
99 Millers Falls Rd, Northfield, MA 01360 800-859-2960
Call or write for newsletter and calendar of events.

Recreation Commission

Lake Ellis Rd, Athol, MA 01331 978-249-4819

Red Cross

New England Region, 180 Rustcraft Rd, Suite 115, Dedham MA 01026 800-448-3543

Representatives

See listings under Government-State/Government-Federal

Ride Share

Franklin Regional Transit Authority (FRTA) 413-774-7475
Transportation between human Service Agencies

Rotary Club *See Athol-Orange Rotary Club*

Run-Away-Line

Toll free 800-786-2929, 800-621-4000

Rural Development, Inc.

44 Canal Road, Turners Falls, MA 01376 413-863-9781
Build your own home program, Housing & Redevelopment Authority, housing assistance for low income families

St. Francis of Assisi (Roman Catholic)

101 Main St., Athol
Pastor: Rev Edwin Montaña 978) 249-2738
Organizations:
CCD
Knights of Lithuania

St. Johns Church-Episcopal

15 Park Ave., Athol; Rectory at 45 Park Ave., Athol
Father William Hobbs 978-249-9553
Leslie Henley, Senior Warden
Free Community Supper, 2nd Fri. of month 4:30-6:30 p.m.

St. Mary’s-Catholic

19 Congress St., Orange
Parish Administrator: Jose Bermudez
978-544-2900

St. Mary’s Women’s Club

Maureen Riendeau, President 978-544-2900

St. Vincent De Paul *See Our Lady Immaculate Church*

Saint Anthony’s Society *See Our Lady Immaculate Church*

S.S.I. Supplemental Security Income

STD-HIV Hotline 919-361-8400
American Social Health Association (private) 800-227-8922

Salvation Army

107 Ridge Avenue, Athol
Elliott & Darlene Higgins, Commanders 978-249-8111
Organizations:
Ladies Home League: meets Tues nights, 6 p.m.
Community Meal every 4th Sunday at 5 p.m.

School Committee *See Athol-Royalston School Department*

Scouts *See Boy Scouts of America: Girl Scouts*

Sealer of Weights and Measures *See Government-Athol*

First Second Congregational Church of Royalston

Pastor Jeffrey L. Francis at The Parsonage 978-249-9155
Organizations:
Women’s Fellowship, Youth Ministry, Health Ministry

Seeds of Solidarity Education Center

165 Chestnut Hill Road, Orange, MA 01364
Deb Habib 978-544-9023
Promote wellness through school gardens
www.seedsofsolidarity.org

Selectmen *See Government-Athol*

Senators *See listings under Government-Federal, Gov’t-State*

Senior Citizen’s Services

Athol Senior Center
Athol Council On Aging, 82 Freedom St. 978-249-8986
Council on Aging *See Athol Council on Aging*
Hospice *See Gardner Visiting Nursing Association (GVNA)*
Elaine Fluet, CEO 978-632-1230, 800-382-7305
For employment of low income people over 55 see Catholic Charities Senior Aide Program, 978-534-1481; or Franklin Hampshire Career Center 978-544-350, experience works or www.experienceworks.org
Meals on Wheels *See Franklin Home Care Corporation, 800-732-4636, Athol: 978-249-9001, Orange: 978-544-2259*
Shine – Health Insurance, 978-249-8986, 800-498-4232
Golden Age Club
Housing: Gibson Drive, Morton Meadows (under Athol Housing Authority: 978-249-4848), Pequoig Apartments, Main St., Athol
Senior Transportation CTS 978-575-9966
Elder Abuse Reporting & Protective Services
Franklin County Home Care Corp. 413-773-5555, 978-544-2259
Silverline: Franklin County Home Care Corp. 800-732-4636
Adult Day Health Care Service – behind Bruce’s Browser
Run by GVNA (Gardner Visiting Nursing Association)
Elaine Fluet, CEO 508-632-1230, 800-382-7305
State’s Elderly Hotline 888-AG-ELDER, 888-243-5337

Service Clubs

Athol Woman’s Club
Exchange Club
Lions Club
Rotary

Service Net

129 King Street, Northampton
Jay Pasternak 413-585-1300
Mental health outpatient & human services
Substance abuse outpatient, Greenfield 413-772-2935

1794 Meetinghouse, Inc.

P.O. Box 8, New Salem, MA 01355
Brad Foster, Director 413-335-3489
www.1794meetinghouse.org

Seventh Day Adventist Church

Athol Orange Church – Saturday worship 978-249-3490
3200 South Athol Road
Pastor Mark Gagnon

Seventh Day Adventist Community Services Center

17 W Main St., Orange (978) 544-6968
free food and clothing

Sexual Abuse *See Tapestry Healthcare*

Shelter See emergency shelter

Shine

Local health insurance counseling program of Franklin County Home Care Corp 978-249-8986. 800-498-4232

SMART Recovery

To combat the urge to use alcohol or drugs. Meets 1st & 3rd Sat. at 10 AM in education room, first floor south wing at Athol Memorial Hospital
Marcia Maglione Flynn, Facilitator 978-724-3469
www.smartrecovery.org

Smoking Cessation

Meets every Monday 6-7 PM at Athol Memorial Hospital
978-249-3511

SNAP Benefits

Community Action 978-544-8091
167 South Main Street, Orange
You must make an appointment.

Social Security

55 Lake St, Gardner 978-632-1004
881 Main St., Fitchburg toll free 1-877-319-0728
New national directory assistance service 800-772-1213

Social Services Division (Dept. of Children & Families)

Commonwealth of MA 800-479-6111

South Athol United Methodist Church

65 Morgan Ave., off S. Athol Road 978-249-3167
Pastor Adam Randazzo
Dr. Carol Szule, Minister
Organizations:
Methodist Men (UMM), Steve Blinder, Pres. 978-544-9920
Prayer Group, David Mac Leon, Leader 978-544-2954

Special Education

Jeffrey Ferranti, Special Needs Administrator 978-249-2403
Office at Ellen Bigelow School

Starrett Memorial United Methodist Church

40 Island Street, Athol 978-249-6235
Rev. Yoo Cha Yi

State Agencies See Government Agencies

State Fire Marshall's Office

978-567-3100

Suicide

Samaritans 617-536-2460

Superintendent of Memorial Building

584 Main Street, Athol
Dennis Kimball 978-575-0259

Swift River Valley Historical Society

40 Elm Street, New Salem MA 978-544-6882

Elizabeth Peirce, 76 S. Shore Dr., Org 978-544-6207
Hours 1:30-4:30 pm, Weds. and Sundays, June 1-Oct. 3

Tapestry Health Systems formerly Family Planning Council
80 Sanderson St., Greenfield 413-773-5403

Temple Israel (Athol Orange)

107 Walnut Street, Athol 978-249-9481
Rabbi Robert Sternberg

Teen Challenge (New England)

Boston Men's Campus 617-318-1380
16 Bloomfield Street, Dorchester, MA Fax: 617-318-1385
director@tcboston.org admissions@tcboston.org
www.tcboston.org

T.O.P.S. Take Off Pounds Sensibly

Coordinator: Rosemary Smith 781-272-3931
Meets weekly on Thurs. at 5:30 pm at Athol Congo Church

Time/Warner Cable

104 New Athol Rd., Orange 01364 978-208-2625

Tourist Information

See North Quabbin Chamber of Commerce or North Quabbin Woods or State Division of Tourism 617-973-8500

Trash Haulers:

Russ Pearson Rubbish Removal 978-249-5125
Griff's Rubbish 978-249-6468
Bushee Rubbish 978-249-0249
Gary Hamlin (based in Fitzwilliam, NH – 603-585-9001)
Mallet & Son's 978-249-9662
(For up to date list, contact Athol Board of Health:
boh@townofathol.org
978-249-7934)

Traffic and Safety Committee

See Athol Traffic & Safety Committee

Transitional Assistance Dept. Service Offices

(formerly known as the Welfare Dept)
473 Main, Fitchburg 800-442-2045, 978-665-8700
143 Munson St., Greenfield 413-772-3400

Unemployment See Employment/Unemployment

UMASS Central Extension Center

508-831-1223

Unitarian Church See First Church Unitarian

United Arc of Franklin & Hampshire Counties

111 Summer St, Greenfield, www.unitedarc.org 413-774-5558
Family Friends Program matches volunteers with disabled parents. Mary Traver or Drenna Mahaney

United Church of Christ (Athol Congregational Church)

1225 Chestnut Street, Athol (Uptown Common) 978-249-6202

Rev. Beverly Prestwood-Taylor 413-477-1015
Bonnie Benjamin, Moderator
Contact, Shirley Bock 978-249-8206

Organizations:

Mission Study Group, Katherine Thiem
Boy Scout Troop #8 (See Boy Scouts)
Women's Fellowship, Alice Woessner; Mon. 6:00 p.m.
Youth Group for Juniors and Seniors in High School
Parent's Group, 1st Thurs. of month
Crafter's Group, 1st & 3rd Tues. of month @ 1 p. m.
Bible Study, 1st Weds. of month

Valuing Our Children

217 Walnut St., Athol 978-249-8467

Veterans of Foreign Wars, Post 650

Contact: Ron Ferguson, Quartermaster 978-798-8035
Leo Barber, Commander

Veteran's Services *See Government, Athol*

Voter Information

League of Women Voters 413-586-0426
15 Washington Ave, Northampton, MA 01060

Voter Registration *See Elections*

Weatherization *See Heating Services*

Weight Watchers

Meet at Starrett United Methodist Church 978-249-6235
Meet on Thursdays 5:00 pm

Welfare Office *See MA, Commonwealth of, Transitional Assistance Department*

Wheeler Memorial Library

49 East Main Street, Orange
Walter Owens, Director 978-544-2495
www.orangelib.org

WIC (WOMEN, INFANTS, CHILDREN)

167 S. Main St., Orange 978-544-5423
Requirements: Live in MA; be pregnant or breastfeeding;
Nutritional need; low income

Wiring Inspector *See Government-Athol*

WJDF FM *See Radio Stations*

WomanCare Health

14 Grove St. #3, Athol
Shali Sanders, Nurse Practitioner 978-249-8100
OB/GYN Care FAX 978-249-8178

Women's Fellowship *See United Church of Christ or Second Congregational Church of Royalston*

Worcester Regional Retirement System

23 Midstate Drive, Suite 106 508-832-6314
Auburn, MA 01501 FAX: 508-832-6318
www.worcesterregionalretirement.org

Young Men's Christian Association (YMCA)

545 Main Street, Athol
Jeanette Robichaud, Director 978-249- 3305
Camp Wiyaka at 96 Sandy Pond Rd., Richmond, NH
Youth Reach! After School Program, Manny King
Y~Kids Depot & Y~Nursery School – Linda Leblanc
Schedules available at front desk in lobby

Youth Services

Youth Council (a program of Community Action)
978-544-5423, 413-774-7028

Zoning Board Of Appeals *See Government-Athol*