

# Massachusetts Office of Travel and Tourism (MOTT)

**Agency Overview** 

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#### **HOUSING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

Massachusetts Office of Travel & Tourism (MOTT) is the state agency dedicated to promoting Massachusetts as a leisure-travel destination. We are part of the Massachusetts Marketing Partnership working with the MA Office of International Trade and Investment (MOITI), Massport, and MA Convention Center Authority to drive the marketing of the Commonwealth.

#### **MISSION**

To promote Massachusetts as both a leisure and business travel destination for domestic and international markets and to contribute to the growth of the Commonwealth's economy.

#### **OUR STRATEGY**

Market Massachusetts to travelers across all media channels and support the travel industry in their efforts to do the same.

#### WHAT WE DO

MOTT develops integrated tourism, sports and film production marketing programs to brand the Commonwealth as a desirable place to visit, work and live.





#### **ECONOMIC IMPACT OF THE TOURISM INDUSTRY**

<u>Calendar Years</u>	2019	2020	2021	*2022
Domestic Traveler, Economic Impact and Visitor Volume Spending	\$20.9 B	\$9.3 B	\$15.7 B	
Jobs Supported State and local taxes generated	130,500 \$1.4 B	93,600 \$823.7 M	102,200 \$1.3 B	
Volume	23.1 M	15.7 M	21.5 M	Preliminary estimates are
International Traveler, Economic Impact and Visitor Volume				at 80% of
Spending	\$3,983.9 M	\$656.5 M	\$819.8 M	where we were in 2019
Jobs Supported	26,800	8,450	8,550	Were III 2015
State and local taxes generated	\$263.9 M	\$56.2 M	\$64.6 M	
Volume (Overseas only)	1.7 M	309,000	525,000	

Source: Smith Travel Research, USTA, MA Department of Revenue





#### **MOTT PARTNERSHIPS**

#### **STATEWIDE TOURISM GROUPS**

- •Regional Tourism Councils (RTCs)
- Mass Lodging Association
- Mass Restaurant Association
- Massachusetts Camp Grounds Association
- •Massachusetts Historical Commission
- Massachusetts Gaming Commission
- Massachusetts Audubon Society
- Destination Marketing Organizations
- Trustees of the Reservation

#### **STATE GOVERNMENT**

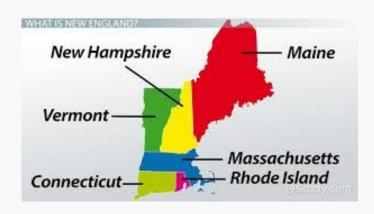
- •Joint Committee on Tourism, Arts & Cultural Development
- Massport / Cruiseport Boston
- •MA Convention Center Authority (MCCA)
- MassDOT
- Mass Cultural Council (MCC)
- •Department of Conservation & Recreation (DCR)
- •Mass Department of Agricultural Resources (DAR)
- •Mass Department of Fisheries & Wildlife
- Municipalities throughout Massachusetts





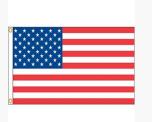
#### **REGIONAL**

- Discover New England
- New England Bus Association
- •New England Inn Keepers Association
- •New England Museum Association
- •New England Association of Amusement Parks & Attractions
- •New England Association of Chamber of Commerce Executives



#### **NATIONAL**

- •U.S. Travel Association
- National Council of State Tourism Directors
- •National Travel & Tourism Office (NTTO)





#### INTERNATIONAL

- Brand USA
- Foreign Diplomatic Consular Corps
- •World Tourism Organization





#### **MOTT GRANT PROGRAMS**

#### **Regional Tourism Council Grants:**

•The annual state grant provides \$6M in funding for competitive grants. This is funded from room occupancy tax collections and 1% of the Gaming Revenue Fund.

#### **Travel & Tourism Recovery Grants:**

•In FY22 MOTT managed a \$4M grant program and provided 80 awards aimed at supporting the state's tourism industry with funds for marketing projects

#### **Destination Development Capital Grants:**

•MOTT is working to support capital investments in tourism assets across the state with \$2M in capital bond funding per year

#### **Travel and Tourism Season Extension Grants:**

•The Commonwealth is working with the federal government to provide \$6M in funding for tourism projects between the months of November through April





#### **MOTT MARKETING TOOLS**

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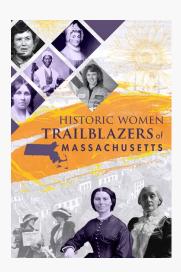
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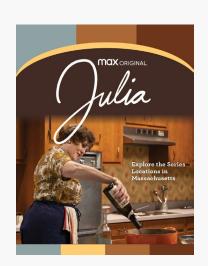
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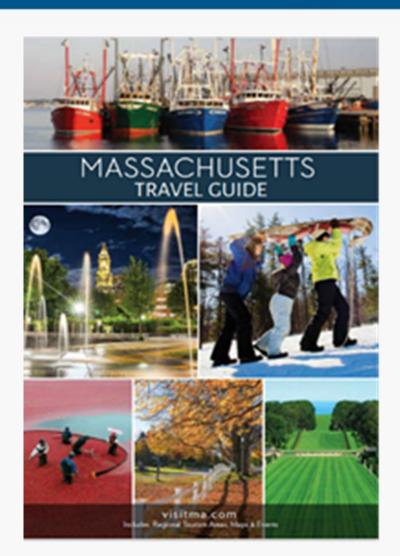
by creating a FREE account

Publications: Massachusetts Travel Guide, seasonal, niche

Social media channels: Facebook, Twitter, Instagram













The Massachusetts Film Office (MFO) promotes the Commonwealth as a premier location for film, television, and commercial production. The MFO works with New England Studios in Devens, Red Sky Studios in Foxborough, Marina Studios in Quincy, and other soundstages across the Commonwealth make up a growing network of facilities to meet production needs in Massachusetts.





#### **Recent and Ongoing Production:**

AMC (series)
HBO (series)
MGM
Miramax
Sculpture Media / Open Road
Sony
Voltage
Warner Brothers
20th Century / Disney
Several Independent Features







#### **2023 SPORTING EVENTS IN MASSACHUSETTS**

2023 HoopHall Classic

January 12 - 16 | Springfield College, Springfield

2023 USATF New England Indoor Track & Field Open

January 15 | Wheaton College, Norton

New Balance Indoor Grand Prix Track & Field

February 4 | The Track at New Balance, Roxbury

2023 Pan-Mass Challenge Winter Cycle

February 4 | Fenway Park, Boston

Men's Beanpot Hockey Tournament

February 6 +13 | TD Garden, Boston

Women's Beanpot Tournament

February 7 + 14 | Boston College

NIKE Boston Volleyball Festival

February 24-26, March 3-5 | BCEC, Boston

New England Revolution 2023 Opening Home Game

March 4 | Gillette Stadium, Foxborough

Major League Rugby Festival

March 11 | Veterans Memorial Stadium, Quincy

**Hockey East Championship** 

March 17 + 18 | TD Garden, Boston

Red Sox Opening Day 2023

March 30 | Fenway Park, Boston

Woo Sox Opening Day 2023

March 31 | Polar Park, Worcester

127th Boston Marathon

April 17 | Hopkinton to Boston

Brockton Rox Baseball Opening Home Game

May 24 | Campanelli Field, Brockton

2023 Cape Cod Baseball League Opening Day

June 10 | Cape Cod

Pan Am Challenge Weekend

August 5-6 | Across Massachusetts

Nantucket Lacrosse Festival

August 12 | Nantucket Island

2023 Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame Enshrinement

August 12 | Basketball Hall of Fame, Springfield

2023 Spartan Race Boston Sprint Weekend

August 12-13 | Barre

Gaelic Athletic Association Championships Weekend

August 12-13 | Irish Cultural Centre, Canton

Mass Women's Amateur Golf Championships

August 14-18 Dedham Country and Polo Club, Dedham

47th New Balance Falmouth Road Race

August 20 | Falmouth, Cape Cod

Head of the Charles Regatta

October 20-22 | Charles River, Boston, & Cambridge

International Volleyball Hall of Fame Ceremony

October | Volleyball Hall of Fame, Holyoke

124th Army Navy Game

December 9 | Gillette Stadium, Foxborough

Massachusetts is proud to host its very first Army Navy game at

Gillette Stadium in 2023.





#### My Local MA 2020-2022 Campaign Overview

- + Beginning in Fall 2020 amidst the first year of the COVID-19 pandemic, MOTT launched a \$2M "My Local MA" campaign to encourage Massachusetts residents across the state to patronize local businesses during the holiday season and throughout the year.
- + In-state advertising has been coordinated around campaign sprints in Fall/Winter 2020, Spring/Summer 2021, and Fall/Winter 2022. In 2021, "Lets Go Out" a \$2M campaign extension was launched targeting support for local restaurants.
- + Through November 30, 2022, the "My Local MA" and "Let's Go Out" campaigns have generated 287 million impressions and 284k clicks across all channels. The current "My Local MA" campaign sprint runs through the end of 2022 and promotes dining, shopping, and staying local during the holidays.
- + My Local MA has featured more than 500 local businesses and the #MyLocalMA hashtag has been used over 34k times.

#### **Target Audience**

- Adults 35-64
- HHI \$75k
- Statewide Coverage

#### **Media Channels**

- Paid Social (Facebook/Instagram)
- Programmatic Display
- Broadcast TV
- Connected TV
- Out of Home
- Broadcast Radio

### Landing Destination/CTA

- www.visitma.com/ lovemylocalma/
- www.visitma.com/ letsgoout/





### **Destination Development Capital (DDC) Grant Program:**

FY22 and FY23

The DDC Grant Program grants provide \$4.2M in funding for projects that expand, construct, restore, or renovate Massachusetts tourism destinations and attractions, and aid in destination recovery and resiliency. The aim of the program is to strengthen the Massachusetts economy through destination development projects that enhance tourism resources and infrastructure. These projects will have impact for years to come.

Administered by the <u>Tourism Trust Fund</u>, the DDC Grant Program is funded through the Capital Budget. Applicant eligibility selection criteria included any public, nonprofit agency, 501(c)3, 501(c)6, which has been in operation in Massachusetts for at least two consecutive years since January 2020 and is in good standing with taxes and all license and registration requirements in the Commonwealth and is part of the tourism ecosystem.

FY24 Destination Development Grant Round 3 is open until March 31. DDC Q/A session on March 1.

#### FY22: Round 1

- \$2 million in awards to 34 recipients as part of the Destination Development Capital (DDC) Grant Program, a new competitive grant program created through the economic development bill signed into law by Governor Baker in 2021.
- Full list of awardees here:
  https://www.mass.gov/
  news/baker-politoadministrationannounces-2-million-incapital-grants-to-34tourism-destinations

#### FY23: Round 2

- \$2.2 million in awards
   to 20 recipients as part
   of the Destination
   Development Capital
   (DDC) Grant Program, a
   program created
   through the economic
   development bill signed
   into law by Governor
   Baker in 2021.





Dine local.

#### **My Local MA Sample Creative**





Support your local businesses this holiday season.

Learn more









#### **Let's Go Out Sample Creative**







#### **Summer 2022 Out-of-State Tourism Campaign Overview**

- + The Commonwealth's first out-of-state tourism campaign in many years ran from 5/31/22 through 9/30/22, delivering a total of **131** million targeted impressions across all media.
- + The campaign generated nearly 32k clicks to the website and exceeded all industry CTR benchmarks across channels (where benchmarks are applicable) and across target markets, demonstrating that the advertising resonated with consumers.
- + The campaign drove website traffic (nearly 61k campaign pageviews), with users averaging 2.42 pages per session.
- + Instagram follower growth reached 60,705 followers by September 30, exceeding our 50k campaign goal by over 10k.

#### **Target DMAs**

- New York, NY
- Hartford, CT
- Providence, RI
- Albany, NY
- Burlington, VT
- Portland, ME

#### **Media Channels**

- Broadcast TV
- Streaming TV
- Social media (Twitter, Instagram & Facebook)
- Programmatic display & native advertising
- TripAdvisor Display & Boost
- Radio: Podcasts, streaming audio, traditional radio, iHeart radio, Red Sox Radio
- OOH: NYC wallscape & liveboards in subway stations; NYC taxi tops; static billboards

#### **Target Audience**

- Females, ages 25+
- Household income above \$75,000
- Within a four-hour drive market
- Interest in leisure travel based on online behavior & media consumption

### Landing Destination/CTA

- Programmatic
  Display, Native, TV,
  Radio & OOH:
  VisitMA.com
- Social media:VisitMA profiles



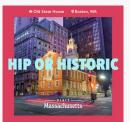


#### **Sample Summer Creative**







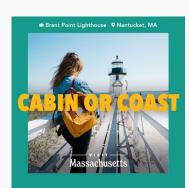








#### **Sample Fall Creative**









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#### **Sample Winter Creative**







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