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## OPENING OF THE BAY FUNDRAISER

Dear Friend of CBC,

February 6, 2024

I am thrilled to announce that we will be hosting our Annual *Opening of the Bay* Fundraiser on Saturday, May 11<sup>th</sup> at the Kilburn Mill in New Bedford from 6-10pm. We look forward to this event of the season to come together to raise funds that directly go towards providing New Bedford area youth a safe, fun, educational, and healthy summer.

“100% chance of coming back! Don’t want to go without it! The best.” ’23 summer sailor

CBC connects the youth of Greater New Bedford with mentors to enhance their lives. We use boating as a tool to instill important life lessons such as integrity, sound judgement, and teamwork. In 2023, 85% of the children attending CBC were from low to moderate income families who simply cannot afford summer programming.

To help us do this, **we need YOU, our highly regarded sponsors and supporters**, to join us for this premier event, which has become one of the area’s most anticipated evenings. Opening of the Bay is an unforgettable experience you will enjoy with valued business associates, potential customers, and friends while supporting a worthy cause that is making a significant impact on the youth in our community. Guests enjoy dinner, dancing, and an auction overlooking scenic Clark’s Cove.

Your support of the Opening of the bay enables CBC to INVOLVE area youth age 5 to 24 in fun, hands-on activities using boating and the marine environment. We take kids out of their comfort zones and expose them to opportunities they never thought would be possible. **Please consider sponsoring the Opening of the Bay today and kickoff the 2024 summer with us.** Also, if you would like to donate towards our Silent Auction or Door Prize, please fill out the bottom of the sponsor commitment form with your donated goods or services and email or mail back to us. Feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Thank you for your consideration and we look forward to seeing you on May 11<sup>th</sup> to celebrate!

Andy Herlihy  
Executive Director

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A 501(c)(3) non-profit organization dedicated to teaching positive life values to youth through boating.



# OPENING OF THE BAY 2024

## Sponsorship Commitment Form

yes!

- We would like to sponsor the 2024 Opening of the Bay!
- We are unable to sponsor but we would like to make a donation of \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- We would love to donate an auction item(s)

### CONTACT INFORMATION

Contact Person

Title

Company / Donor Name

Address

City

State

Zip

Telephone

Email

### SPONSORSHIP LEVEL

- Platinum
- Gold
- Silver
- Bronze
- Event Sponsor

### AUCTION ITEM

Description

Value \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### PAYMENT INFORMATION

- Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (make checks payable to Community Boating Center)
- Send us an invoice to the above address.

### REMIT FORM TO

Community Boating Center  
1641 Padanaram Avenue  
New Bedford, MA 02740

Or email: Amy Larkin  
alarkin@communityboating.org



**Community  
Boating  
Center**

41° 36' 30.91" N, 70° 55' 56.20" W  
NEW BEDFORD, MA

# OPENING OF THE BAY 2024

## Sponsorship Levels

PLATINUM

\$5,000

Participate in the Opening of the Bay regatta June 13, 2024! Bring a team of 4 people to race. Spend the first hour learning from your on-board coach, and the second hour racing! Have employees or friends that do not want to sail? There will be a spectator boat with limited seating.

Includes 8 event tickets\*

3x5' flag with company name and platinum level recognition for 2024

Recognition as a Platinum Sponsor in Opening of the Bay media including website and social media

Provides 10 weeks of sailing for youth from New Bedford (priceless)

GOLD

\$3,500

Includes 8 event tickets\*

3x5' flag with company name and gold level recognition for 2024

Recognition as a Gold Sponsor in Opening of the Bay media including website and social media

Provides 7 weeks of sailing for youth from New Bedford (priceless)

SILVER

\$2,000

Includes 6 event tickets\*

3x5' flag with company name and silver level recognition for 2024

Recognition as a Silver Sponsor in Opening of the Bay media including website and social media

Provides 4 weeks of sailing for youth from New Bedford (priceless)

BRONZE

\$1,000

Includes 4 event tickets\*

3x5' flag with company name and bronze level recognition for 2024

Recognition as a Bronze Sponsor in Opening of the Bay media including website

Provides 2 weeks of sailing for youth from New Bedford (priceless)

EVENT  
SPONSOR

\$500

Includes 2 event tickets\*

Recognition as an Event Sponsor in Opening of the Bay media

Provides 1 week of sailing for a youth from New Bedford (priceless)

\* Each ticket is deemed to have a "value" of \$100. The amount by which payment exceeds the total value of tickets may be considered a charitable contribution to the Community Boating Center, a 501(c)3 tax-exempt organization.