



Hampden County Commission on the Status of Women

January 20, 2026 at 6:00 pm

Virtual Zoom Meeting Link: [Hampden County CSW](#)

Meeting Agenda

1. Roll Call to Order
2. Approval of the Jan 2026 agenda **vote required*
3. Approval of [Dec 16th Minutes](#) **vote required*
4. Updates:
 - Submissions: Spring 2026 Grant and GELI workshop proposal
 - Spring Intern job description finalized, HCC student interviewed
 - Femi & Vanessa attended [Outreach and Recruitment training agenda](#) and [quick notes](#) on Jan 16th at noon.
5. Finalize Spring Planning events, committee structure and leads **vote required*
 - Follow up to December Financial Workshop event
 - Possible Committees - Outreach committee, Program and Planning committee, Advocacy (Legislative & Public Policy) committee
 - We need one commissioner to take the lead on each subcommittee and report out monthly.
 - Choose date & time for legislative breakfast (March 2026?)
 - Choose date & time for public hearing (June 2026?)
6. Vacancy on HCCSWG – Vice Chair to oversee process
 - Resource available - We have a recruitment announcement and graphics available in the MCSW Regional Resource Guide.
7. Discussion - [Legislative Priorities](#) **vote required*: Below are the five legislative priorities for Hampden County Commission after December vote to adjust the list.
 - An Act establishing community fridges to address food insecurity (S.62/H.126)
Lead Sponsor: Senator Adam Gomez and Representative Homar Gomez
Status: Referred to Joint Committee on Agriculture

This bill advocates for legislation to establish community fridges to address food insecurity.

- An Act to provide reproductive health care to incarcerated individuals (H.2658)
Lead Sponsor: Representatives Jay Livingstone and Mindy Domb
Status: Referred to Joint Committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security
This bill advocates for legislation to provide reproductive health care to incarcerated individuals.
- An Act to increase access to disposable menstrual products (IAM Bill) (S.2640)
Lead Sponsors: Senator Pat Jehlen, Representatives Jay Livingstone and Christine P. Barber
Coalition: Massachusetts Menstrual Equity
Status: Referred to Joint Committee on Public Health
This bill would provide access to free menstrual products to all menstruating individuals in schools, shelters & prisons.
- S.1119/H.1922 Capital Equity Bill: An Act relative to Fair Investment Practices
 - Closely aligned with the event we are hosting. Will discuss how to effectively invest money – less about financial literacy.
- Bill S.421/Bill H.46. Establish & Fund Financial Literacy Curriculum - An Act requiring financial education in schools. Creates the Financial Literacy Trust Fund to support curriculum implementation & teacher training in financial education (topics like budgeting, loans, taxes, investing, & crypto-currency).

8. Other Business

9. Adjourn