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ALL SIGNS POINT TO A NEW HOME



Andrew Kelley, left, and Henrique Soares, of Shepley Wood Products, rotate one of two Christmas Tree Shops signs on a flatbed truck Nov. 3 before they are strapped down and hauled away into storage. The two signs, which once once hung outside the Hyannis store, have been donated by property manager Greg Bilezikian to Habitat for Humanity of Cape Cod. The signs, each 27 feet long, will most likely be auctioned off to benefit the housing organization, said Tara Cronin, director of resource development. Christmas Tree Shops in Hyannis closed in 2023. Best Buy has signed a lease and is renovating the space. It is expected to open in 2026. MERRILY CASSIDY/CAPE COD TIMES

TD Bank to close 51 US stores, including six Massachusetts branches

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TD Bank locations in Massachusetts won't be spared from the nationwide branch closures coming into effect on Jan. 29, 2026.

The Cherry Hill, New Jersey-headquartered national bank confirmed that they would be shutting down six branches and one remote drive-thru in Massachusetts.

TD Bank plans to close 51 branches across the United States, affecting 12 different East Coast states, including Massachusetts, Vermont, Connecticut, New Hampshire and Maine.

"We also regularly evaluate our network to ensure we're serving our communities where they need us, which at times results in store closures or relocations to nearby neighborhoods," TD Bank said in a statement. "In due course, we expect to open new stores in these communities, subject to regulatory approval."



TD Bank will be closing six branches as well as one remote drive-thru location by the end of January 2026.

FILE PHOTO / WCVB-TV

Here are the TD Bank branches closing early next year.

TD Bank branches closing in Massachusetts

According to a TD Bank spokesperson, these are the TD Bank locations in Massachusetts closing soon.

- 175 Cabot St., Beverly, MA, 01915
 - 153 Meadow St., Chicopee, MA, 01013
 - 1708 Falmouth Road, Centerville, MA, 02632
 - 45 Central St., Lowell, MA, 01852
 - 99 West St., Pittsfield, MA, 01201
 - 79 Lynnfield St., Peabody, MA, 01960
 - 242 Main St., Wareham, MA, 02571 (remote drive-thru)
- The most recent TD Bank closures in Massachusetts occurred on June 5, 2025 in Bradford, East Longmeadow, Framingham, Holyoke, Methuen, and Tewksbury.
- "In the meantime, we're committed to making these transitions as smooth as possible for clients and customers, serving them at more than 1,000 TD Bank locations or via whatever channel they choose," the statement said.
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ELECTIONS
2025

New leaders chosen in Barnstable's town election

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Barnstable residents turned out in modest numbers for the Nov. 4 town election, with roughly 10.5% of registered voters casting ballots.

The election carried an unusual twist in two town council precincts, where incumbent Kristin Terkelsen (Precinct 2) and newcomer Ronald Ruggiero (Precinct 6) had withdrawn after ballots were printed, leaving their names on the ballot. Town Clerk Ann Quirk noted this rare scenario — seen only once before in the last 24 years — could have forced a second election if voters unaware of the withdrawals had elected the candidates.

Despite the potential for confusion, the Town Council elections concluded smoothly, and no extra elections will be needed. This year's ballot included the six even-numbered Town Council precincts. There are 13 precincts in all.

The election brings four new faces to the town's top governing board, while returning incumbents Craig Tamash and Matthew Levesque, who were not challenged

In the three-way race for the Precinct 12 seat that incumbent Councilor Paula Schnepf is leaving

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Democrats sweep off-year elections

Win bids for NYC mayor, VA, NJ governorships; CA voters pass Prop 50

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USA TODAY

President Donald Trump received a rebuke as Democrats swept every major contest on Nov. 4, which they hope foretells a nationwide backlash to Republican control in Washington in the pivotal 2026 midterm elections.

The results represent the first judgment on Trump's return to power by millions of Americans as the GOP president's approval numbers sag amid the longest federal government shutdown in U.S. history.

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