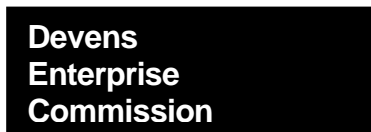


# Staff Report



**Date:** November 18, 2022  
**To:** **Devens Enterprise Commission**  
**From:** Neil Angus, Environmental Planner  
**RE:** **Clear Path for Veterans Annual Open House/Food Tasting 1-Day Beer and Wine Special License Request**

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**Applicant/Owner:** Clear Path for Veterans New England  
**Location:** 84 Antietam Street, Devens, MA  
**Zoning:** Innovation and Technology Center and Zone II Water Res. Protection Overlay.

**Event Overview:**

Clear Path for Veterans New England is hosting a one-day event on their own property at 84 Antietam Street, Devens, MA from 6pm – 10 pm on Friday, December 2, 2022. The event will include wine and beer tasting, tours of the facility, and food for guests. Clear Path has a licensed commercial kitchen on-site so they will not need food service permits from the DEC/Nashoba Associated Boards of Health. Devens Event Permit Regulations allow for business/property owners on Devens to host one-day events on their own property so there is no need for an event permit. However, because this event is proposing to serve beer and wine, they are requesting a one-day special license from the DEC to serve wines and/or malt beverages.

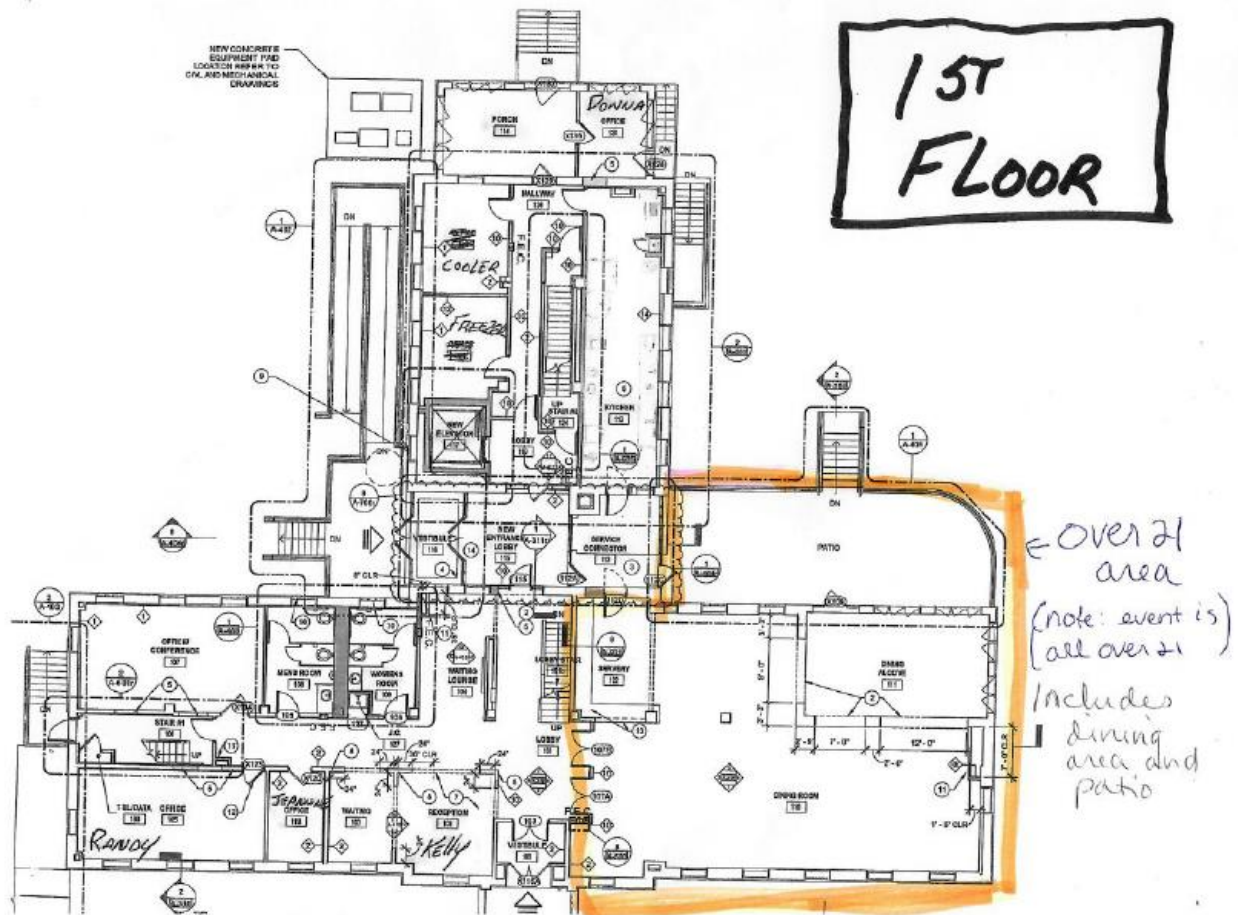
**One Day Wines and Malt Beverages Special License Details:**

Clear Path, a non-profit organization, will be collaborating with Martignetti Companies out of Taunton, MA for wine and WormTown Brewery out of Worcester to supply their alcohol (both ABCC authorized sources). The area where Alcohol is to be served will be within the dining room and, weather pending, the outdoor patio as depicted on the floor plan (see next page). Entrance into the area will be restricted to persons 21 years of age or older (the whole event is an over 21 event). ID's will be checked to enter the dining room and patio. Bartenders will be TIPS certified and will ID individuals being served. Patrons will not be allowed to take alcohol outside the dining room and patio areas. The applicant will be required to have a State Police officer inside the dining room and patio area at all times when alcohol is being served as required by the license.

**Parking:**

Clear Path is expecting around 150 people. Attendees will be able to park on-site at 84 Antietam and there is public parking on Antietam Street. Devens Recreation has no events that day so there would be no conflict with the used of the municipal lot to the south for any overflow parking.

Area Where Alcohol will be Served and Consumed in 84 Antietam Building:



**Recommended Action:**

Legal notice was published and all abutters were notified by certified mail. We received no comments. If the Commission is satisfied that all concerns have been addressed, Staff would recommend approval of the one-day special license from the DEC to serve wines and/or malt beverages, subject to the following conditions:

1. The one-day special license to serve wines and/or malt beverages is valid for 84 Antietam Street on Thursday, Friday, December 2, 2022 from 6pm – 10 pm only.
2. The serving and consumption of alcohol is limited to the dining room and patio area only at 84 Antietam Street as shown on the event layout plan. A police officer shall be inside this area at all times while alcohol is being served/consumed.
3. The Applicant is an individual, as the responsible manager for the organization and shall control the dispensing of alcohol to persons not under the age of twenty-one (21), and shall not serve alcohol to individuals who are or “appear to be” under the influence of alcohol.
4. The Licensee must purchase alcoholic beverages from an authorized source. Licensees CANNOT purchase from a package store and CANNOT accept donations from anyone.
5. All waste must be contained on-site and properly disposed of. Recycling is mandatory.