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## **Norfolk County Sheriff's H.O.P.E. Center presents Sober Comedy Night starring Boston legend Steve Sweeney and other special guests *November 21<sup>st</sup> show at the Braintree Public Safety Complex benefits NSO Cares***

Braintree, MA – Norfolk County Sheriff Patrick W. McDermott is excited to announce that Boston legend Steve Sweeney will headline a Sober Comedy Night, presented by the H.O.P.E. Center, along with local comedians Shea Spillane, Jack Lynch and other special guests.

Tickets are [on sale now](#). The cost is \$30 per ticket, and seating is limited.

The show will take place inside the heated pavilion at the Braintree Public Safety Complex on Thursday November 21<sup>st</sup> from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 pm., next to the H.O.P.E Center, a program of the Norfolk County Sheriff's Office.

The H.O.P.E. Center aims to provide healing, opportunity, purpose, and engagement for justice involved individuals recently released from custody. The H.O.P.E Center team works with clients to create personalized plans for success and provides the support needed to reach their goals through peer support, education and job resources.

"We could all use a good laugh on any given day," said Sheriff Patrick W. McDermott. "This is an exciting way to connect with the Norfolk County community about our mission to help those in need of a support, while highlighting the many resources available to them at the H.O.P.E Center."

Proceeds from the Sober Comedy Night will benefit NSO Cares, a non-profit founded to shape 21st century public safety in Norfolk County through community outreach, intervention, prevention, and education.

"The road to recovery can take some twisted paths, and being able to laugh along the way is good for the soul," said Steve Sweeney. "Come join us, and have some sober fun, knowing you can make it to work the next day with some great stories to tell."

"The H.O.P.E. Center develops specific plans for our clients to apply their skills, strengthen their self-awareness, and motivation, while setting and achieving goals," said Mathew Sisk, Executive Director of Reentry Services/H.O.P.E. Center.

“The Sober Comedy Night features local comedians who know how helpful support like this can be and we are thankful to have them help us help others,” said Sisk.

The link to purchase tickets to the Sober Comedy Night can also be found on the NSOCares.org website.

**About Steve Sweeney:** Steve Sweeney has been in more than 25 movies, including There’s Something About Mary, Next Stop Wonderland, Me, Myself and Irene, and the Equalizer. He’s appeared on An Evening at the Improv, HBO, and The Late Show with David Letterman.

**About Jack Lynch:** Jack Lynch has been part of Boston comedy scene since 1991. He's toured the United States and parts of Canada, entertaining crowds with his sarcastic view of the world. Jack pokes fun at his struggle with addiction and his now long term recovery. Jack is also a licensed alcohol and drug counselor.

**About Shea Spillane:** Shea Spillane first stepped onstage as a freckle-faced 23 year old and ever since her first time alone with a microphone she hasn’t wanted to do anything else. She was named one of Five Comics to Watch by the Boston Globe and has performed all over the country. She was featured in the San Francisco International Comedy Competition and in photos on her mother’s mantle.

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