

# Christopher Butler

Journalist

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## Awards

2023 New England News & Press Association award for Social Issues Story

2022 Best of Gannett award for Public Service

## Experience

### **The Enterprise**

**Brockton, MA**

*Education Reporter*

**April 2022 – Jan. 2025**

- Covered the Brockton Public Schools, the fifth-largest public school district in Massachusetts, through breaking news, feature stories and aggressive investigative reporting
- Reported on the district's \$18.25 million budget deficit from Fiscal Year 2023 and its fallout
- Reported on issues related to racial diversity, inequality and safety within the local and state-wide public school systems
- Attended and covered weekly Brockton School Committee meetings
- Formed and maintained relationships with sources including superintendents, School Committee members, school principals, teachers, students and parents
- Took and published original photos and videos

*Housing/Homelessness Reporter*

**April 2022 – Jan. 2025**

- Covered the growing crisis of homelessness in the City of Brockton through careful, in-depth enterprising reporting
- Reported on the Brockton City Council's controversial ban on homeless encampments
- Formed and maintained relationships with sources including people experiencing homelessness, housing advocates, emergency shelter staff, local business owners, and politicians
- Attended meetings for the Downtown Brockton Association and Brockton Housing Authority

### **Boston.com**

**Boston, MA**

*Freelance Reporter*

**Sept. 2021 – March 2022**

- Provided local news coverage for the greater Boston area by covering crime, entertainment, the cannabis industry, places of interest and more
- Pitched and wrote 1-3 news articles and in-depth features per week
- Formed and maintained relationships with sources including local business owners and artists
- Took and published original photos

**Additional experience:** AskMen (Freelancer; New York City, NY), GovSight (Contributor; Boston, MA), The Huntington News (Editor-in-Chief; Boston, MA) CNBC (Assignment Desk & Special Reports Intern; Englewood, NJ)

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## Education

### **Northeastern University**

**Boston, MA**

*Bachelor of Arts degree in Journalism*

**Dec. 2021**

- Minor in Psychology
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## Skills

Social media marketing & analytics, podcasting, WordPress, Wix, Presto, Flourish, Tableau, Adobe InDesign, Final Cut Pro, Photoshop, MailChimp, Facebook, Instagram, Twitter/X, Blue Sky, photography with Canon EOS Rebel SL2, iPhone photography