



# GREATER GROVE HALL MAIN STREETS

## OPPORTUNITIES



### Presenting: Mass Innovation Nights

Mass Innovation Nights  
comes to Grove Hall

**June 14th, 6:00 to  
8:30 PM, ABCD's Thelma  
Burns Building (575 Blue**

**Hill Ave).** See African and African American founders of technology companies and learn about resources to support those of all ages interested in starting businesses. This will be a first of its kind event, we hope to make an annual event.

[Learn More](#)

### Learn More About Kiva Microloans

Kiva is an online crowdfunding platform where entrepreneurs can access 0% interest loans up to \$10,000. Kiva loans are crowd-funded by people around the globe who lend as little as \$25 to support small businesses.

[Learn More](#)



### Business Equity Initiative

Are you a Black and/or Latino business owner ready and eager to substantially grow your business? BEI recognizes the challenges of operating a small business in today's climate - the lack of

# business equity [=] initiative

capital, difficulty accessing business networks, limited business growth opportunities and scarce high-caliber, relevant technical assistance and advisory resources.

[Learn More](#)

## Volunteer Event: Love Your Block

Volunteer to participate in the City of Boston's citywide neighborhood clean-up program. This annual event is a fun way to welcome spring and a great way to partner with your neighbors in Greater Grove Hall as we help spruce up parks, streets, schools, and other community locations

[Learn More](#)



## Social Media Day at UMass Boston

For just \$20, you can attend a conference on how use social media in an effective and sustainable manner.

**Friday, May 19th, 2017, 9:00  
AM - 3:00 PM**

**Ryan Lounge, 3. Floor, McCormack Hall, UMass Boston**

[Learn More & Register](#)

**New Whittier  
Street Health  
Center Will Open  
at Quincy  
Common**



The center's grand opening is on **June 2** from **noon - 2 PM**. The center will be located at **278 Blue Hill Ave, suite #282 - #284 Roxbury, MA 02119**. It will be open on **Monday - Friday** from **8:30 AM - 5:00 PM**.

[Learn More](#)



## Baker-Polito Administration Small Business Listening Sessions

On behalf of Governor Charlie Baker and Lieutenant Governor Karyn Polito, Housing & Economic Development Secretary Jay Ash invites you to attend a small business listening session in your region.

[Learn More & Register](#)

## Greater Grove Hall Main Streets Spotlighted in Media

Our events for *Art Week* received media attention. The city of Boston created a [web page](#) for the event and [BroadwayWorld.com](#) included ArtWeek at Franklin Park Zoo in a roundup of activities for the upcoming creative festivities.

## Calling Businesses Looking for a Small Loan

The Neighborhood Businesses Access Loan Application site is now live. Find it [here](#).

## Opportunity to Design a Median

Greater Grove Hall Main Streets won a grant from COG Design to design a median in Grove Hall. If you want to participate in the design process, please contact Ed Gaskin at [ewgaskin@gmail.com](mailto:ewgaskin@gmail.com).

## AROUND THE COMMUNITY



Ed Gaskin at National Main Streets conference with National Main Streets CEO Patrice Frey.



Ed Gaskin and Lisa Slayton, CEO of Pittsburgh Leadership Foundation.





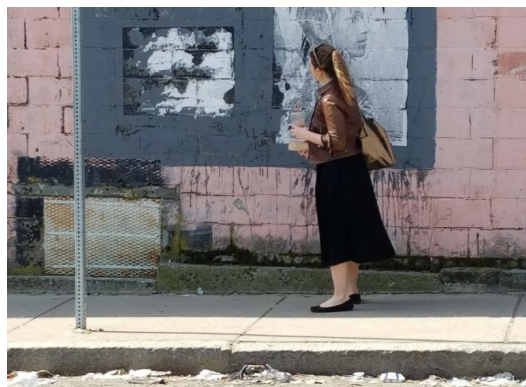
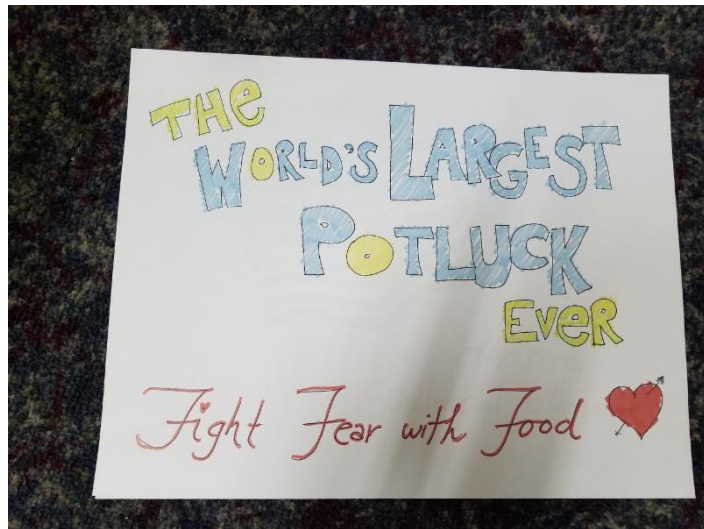
Sydney Jeney, chair of Promotions committee of Greater Grove Hall Board, meets with Teri Williams, President of One United Bank, to discuss Mass Innovation Nights coming to Grove Hall.



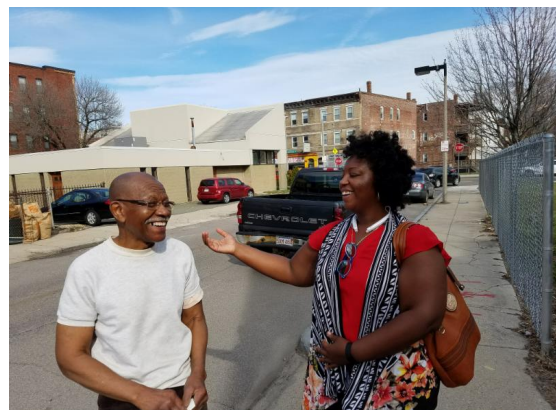
Ed Gaskin with his IT team at New England Give Camp. From left to right: Jason LeVan, Ed Gaskin, and Fred Smith



Woman presents the idea for the world's largest potluck for the Fight Fear with Food Event.



Karin Goodfellow, Director of Boston Arts Commission tours the Greater Grove Hall area identifying potential places for public art. Here she is looking at the former Motormart building on Cheney Street. There may be some funding for public art on Quincy Street.



Ed Gaskin and Karleen Porcena from LISC tour the neighborhood. Karleen is trying to promote small business Kiva loans. Here Karleen meets one of the local residents.



Annual Meeting at Franklin Park Coalition.



New England Give Camp are volunteer IT professionals who donate their time to help non-profit profits with IT issues. This photo shows many of the attendees.



Councillor Jackson and Mayor Walsh were both at the Annual Meeting of Franklin Park Coalition.



This video is from Art Week. It is a project Greater Grove Hall Main Streets co-sponsored with Mother Caroline (click to view).



Meet Doni, one of the companies that will be exhibiting at the first Mass Innovation Nights in Grove Hall: <http://www.donii.org>.



Meet Beautylink, one of the companies that will be exhibiting at the First Mass Innovation Nights in Grove Hall: <https://beautylynk.com/>.

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