

# GREATER GROVE HALL MAIN STREETS

## Your Monthly News & Updates

### Grove Hall Pampering Day

Project RIGHT, Inc. (PRI), residents and partnering agencies will host an event in the first Grove Hall Pampering Day on **Saturday, January 5, 2019.**

As you know, the last couple months have been exceptionally trying in Grove Hall as we have experienced an increase in violence on our streets. With all this strife comes stress, fear, and a host of other feelings and emotions while dealing with the traumatic events. Local agencies have come up with a great idea to encourage the community with a pampering day. We would like to invite residents of Grove Hall to come and enjoy a couple hours of art classes, drama therapy, counseling, music, massages, yoga, and other activities. We know that this can lift the spirits of many - even in times when spirits can be broken.

This would be a great after holiday de stresses and will give us time to do outreach, get more vendors, etc. Feel free to contact us if you need further information. Thank you for your support and contribution. Please note if you would like to have vendor table, or make a donation please email me directly. ores will charge a minimum of 5 cents per paper bags, compostable bags, or reusable bags, OR can opt not to carry bags at all. Be prepared with your own reusable bags when shopping.



### Restorative Justice Program at Grove Hall

The Grove Hall Branch Library is proud to announce that on **January 26 at Noon** we will be screening Julie Mallozzi's film, "Circle Up," featuring Janet Connors and several other courageous homicide survivors. "Circle Up" is a call to action to



re-frame approaches to crime and punishment through the lens of restorative justice, forgiveness, and accountability.

We invite you to attend and to participate in a community discussion following the film.

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### **The Shaw 54th Memorial on the Boston Common**

Join us for this community conversation, in recognition of the Shaw 54th Regiment Memorial, about the importance of public monuments.

**Wednesday, January 9, 6:30 PM**  
**Tremont Temple**  
**88 Tremont Street, Boston, MA**

**RSVP >**

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### **A Business Opportunity: Double Up Food Bucks**

**Double Up Food Bucks** is a SNAP incentive program that provides a dollar-to-dollar match up to \$10 per day/per customer at participating locations. The City of Boston is looking for businesses that want to participate in the program. Businesses do not have to currently sell fresh produce, we are actually looking to help businesses who would like to sell fresh produce (specifically bodegas and corner stores) as a way of getting more business and bringing fresh food options to our neighborhoods. For businesses participating in the initiative, there is grant funding for the next two years to support the stores (the amount of money for stores depends on the needs), but we want to make sure that this money is used in a way that can have a positive impact on the stores and in the program. Businesses interested should contact **Kay Kaigler** at [kay.kaigler@boston.gov](mailto:kay.kaigler@boston.gov)



**DOUBLE UP  
FOOD BUCKS™**

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### **Plastic Bag Ban Now in Effect**

The plastic bag ban is now in effect for all of Boston. Stores will charge a minimum of 5 cents per paper bags, compostable bags, or reusable bags, OR can opt not to carry bags at all. Be prepared with your own reusable bags when shopping.



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## Greater Grove Hall Welcomes a New Business

Greater Grove Hall welcomes **Breezes Laundromat** to our community. They are currently hiring.

[Apply Online >](#)



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## Events from Lawyers Clearinghouse

**Risk Assessment for Nonprofits**  
Tuesday, January 22, 9 - 11 AM  
[Register >](#)

**Fiscal Governance Compliance Check-up Clinic for Nonprofits**  
January 24, 9 AM - 12 PM (Free)  
[Register >](#)

**Nonprofit Incorporation Workshop**  
January 31, 4 PM - 6:30 PM (\$25)  
[Register >](#)



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## Become a Coding Instructor

On **Thursday, January 17** from **6 - 9 PM** the **Roxbury Innovation Center** has partnered with **Boston Public Schools** to train volunteers to code using **Pepper the Robot**. Following the training, volunteers will teach coding to students during February vacation of 2019.

During February vacation RIC will launch **Bend It Like Pepper**, a week long program that introduces students to concepts in engineering using Pepper The Robot. RIC hopes to use Pepper The Robot as a tool to encourage students to pursue a career in the S.T.E.A.M industry. This program will allow cross-generational education between the volunteers who serve as instructors and the students that



enroll in the program.

**Join Us** to become an instructor for BPS students. RIC is currently accepting volunteers for the upcoming training in January. Students are also able to register for the week0long program, **Bend It Like Pepper**, which is set to begin on **February 18**.

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### Representatives' Office Hours

Rep. Chynah Tyle will have her next office hours in the community **February 7**, at the **Bolling Building** from **5:30 - 7:30 PM**.

Rep. Liz Malia will hold her office hours the **second Friday** of every month at **9 - 10:30 AM** at the **Grove Hall Library**.



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### Cannabis Control Commission Meeting

Meeting with CCC and OEI Monday, **January 14** from **6:30 to 8 PM**. We will be meeting at the **Strand Theatre** in **Upham's Corner** in the room off the lobby. For more information please contact Marti Glyn [marti.glynn@verizon.net](mailto:marti.glynn@verizon.net)



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## Around the Community



Step Team participants at Kwanzaa event



Residents of United Housing at their Annual Christmas program co sponsored by Greater Grove Hall Main Streets

Drummers at Kwanzaa event



A child of United Housing at the Annual Christmas Party participating in arts and craft activities sponsored by the Franklin Park Zoo.



Boston Main Streets directors meeting with members of the Massachusetts Recreational Consumer Council a helping community groups deal with the cannabis industry in local neighborhoods



Part of Kwanzaa celebration sponsored by Greater Grove Hall Main Streets and 22 other organizations



Christmas party for United Housing residents that Greater Grove Hall Main Streets was able to co-sponsor



A child from United Housing who just completed an arts and crafts project sponsored by Franklin Park Zoo



Community Christmas party sponsored by Prince Hall Masonic Lodge and Greater Grove Hall Main Streets



Child participating in arts and crafts activity at Community Christmas party sponsored by Prince Hall Masonic Lodge and Greater Grove Hall Main Streets (Pictured in background volunteers from Franklin Park Zoo)



Audience at ABX Conference where Ed Gaskin was invited to speak on sustainability in Grove Hall



Boston Main Streets Foundation receiving a \$100,000 grant from Citizen's Bank. Pictures Boston Main Street Directors, City of Boston Main Streets Staff and Citizen's Bank employees including bank president Citizens Bank President Jerry Sargent holding the check

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