

GREATER GROVE HALL
MAIN STREETS



GROVE HALL
FRESH FOOD SATURDAYS

ALL ARE WELCOME

NO ID REQUIRED! NO COST!

WHEN: 10am-11am

November 13	February 12	April 9
December 12	February 26	April 23
January 8	March 12	May 14
January 22	March 26	May 28
		June 11

WHERE: Frederick Pilot Middle School
270 Columbia Rd Boston, MA 02121

FREE Fresh Grocery Items

from the Red Cross Boston Food Pantry

(usually 5-6 items including potatoes, apples, onions, other fruits and vegetables, meat)



Questions? Suggestions?

Call/Text/E-Mail: Mr. Brown at 857.268.8204, abrown13@bostonpublicschools.org

Can't make it but still need support?

Visit www.gbfb.org/need-food to find food resources in your area



GROVE HALL FRESH FOOD SATURDAYS

Community food distribution every other Saturday from 10am-11am at the Frederick Pilot MS (270 Columbia Rd, Boston 02121) beginning November 13th until June 11 (SEE

FLYER FOR ACTUAL DATES) Groceries will be provided by the Red Cross and will include 4-5 items (typically staple items like potatoes, apples, carrots, onions, meat, eggs, dry goods, etc.). *When available, we will try to include other items like diapers, masks, or books but cannot guarantee what we will have each week.*

Presented by **Core Cannabis Museum**
In Partnership with **The City Of Boston**

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3-DAY CANNABIS LICENSING WORKSHOP

BOSTON CANNABIZ

**WANT TO GET INTO THE
CANNABIS INDUSTRY?**

Come Learn from Industry Experts!

- History of Legalization
- Social Equity in the Industry
- Corporate Structure
- State and Local Licensing
- Standard Operating Procedures

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SCAN ME

JANUARY 18, 19 & 20

9:30AM - 4:30PM

CORE CANNABIS MUSEUM CO-LOCATED WITH
SEED 21+ DISPENSARY

401A CENTRE STREET, JAMAICA PLAIN, MA

DOORS OPEN AT 9AM. SEATING IS LIMITED AND RESERVATION IS REQUIRED. LIGHT REFRESHMENTS
WILL BE SERVED. VISIT EVENTBRITE FOR A COMPLETE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS, SESSION
DESCRIPTIONS, AND TO RSVP. FOR REGISTRATION, CONTACT JOSEPH.GILMORE@BOSTON.GOV

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IMPORTANT UPDATES FROM THE COVID EVICTION LEGAL HELP PROJECT

The Department of Housing and Community Development will be funding a new program that will support limited legal assistance. Legal services organizations will still be assisting tenants facing eviction, although their resources will be more limited. To find legal help in your area, use the [Massachusetts Legal Resource Finder](#).

Legal Information

MassLegalHelp has legal information in multiple languages, including [a FAQ on housing issues](#). These resources can help tenants navigate the eviction process more smoothly, especially if they don't have a lawyer. We will be sending out updated and translated "pro se" materials next month. We've also created multilingual booklets out of the eviction FAQs. Some of you ordered physical copies, which should be delivered soon. [The digital versions can be found here](#).

The Attachments

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1y8eZqcB0zEbZsIClhdIxM3lpXDc6ITXV>

Annual Report and Annual Appeal

DONATE

Tax deductible donations can be mailed to
Greater Grove Hall Main Streets,
320 Blue Hill Ave., Dorchester, MA 02121



This report provides some insight into the work we did this year. Because of Covid, we were unable to hold our annual fundraiser, so we ask you donate to help us continue to serve the community.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Main Street Makeover – In Mayor Walsh’s first state of the city addresses, he promised a Main Street Makeover for Bowdoin-Geneva and Greater Grove Hall. We worked with the mayor to make sure that happened. It took several years, but it is finally completed.

Food Distribution – Developed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Greater Grove Hall Main Streets and Prince Hall Masonic Lodge and their food distribution program. This related to the impact of Covid. In partnership with Prince Hall, we have coordinated outreach and delivery efforts with UHM and Quincy Geneva. We have also contacted all churches in the area to find out if they need food for their program, or their members. As a result, we were helping distribute 3,000 cases of food per week.

Turkey Distribution – We also worked in partnership to give away 50 Turkey’s in the Grove Hall area.

Grove Hall, Juneteenth Book Fair – We were a sponsor of this project.

Community Advisory Committee – We were nominated by Office of Neighborhood Services (ONS) and the offices of Councilor Baker and Councilor Campbell to serve on the Community Advisory Committee in planning where the next BCYF center will be built!

Zoo New England Advisory Board – We now have representation on this important community board.

Cummings Foundation Board – As a member, we were able to select 10 community groups for a \$100,000 grant. We have now helped distribute \$1.8 million to local community groups.

Roxbury Unity Parade – We participated in and were a sponsor of the Roxbury Unity Parade

Main Street Mayoral Forum – We participated in and were a sponsor of the Main Street Mayoral forum.

SparkShare Racial Justice – We participated in this important youth empowering program.

Union Capital Boston – We formed a partnership with Union Capital Boston that has been quite productive. We were able to work together to distribute 300 tickets for free admission to Boston Lights. We also helped Grove Hall residents attend the Van Gogh Immersive Experience for free. We worked with Union Capital to form a focus group for the Bowdoin Geneva & Grove Hall residents and businesses, led by Erika Gebo from Suffolk University. We also helped with another study by Tufts. Our Grove Hall ambassador Zenaida Gonzalez was able to help us with a Back-to-School event at Caramelo Bakery & Café. She also helped create a business inventory and help with outreach to Hispanic businesses.

ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION

Harvard Transaction Law Clinic – We worked with the Harvard Transaction Law Clinic to study legal barriers to providing Black tech founded companies' capital. The report was widely circulated and led to an article on the topic.

Gavin Long, Co-founder and Partner Acacia Group – We now have access to millions of dollars to help fund Black founded Tech companies. Acacia is now reviewing the candidates we source.

Harvard Street Neighborhood Health Center – We are working with them to build a new health center for the Grove Hall community and affordable housing.

LISC Digital Growth Accelerator – We were involved in this program to help provide more

opportunities for Grove Hall businesses.

Technical Assistance Seminar – With Doug Ling from LISC and Cisnell Baez from Councilor Julia Mejia’s office, we held a session on the State’s new grant program for our Spanish speaking businesses. We had 18 businesses participate in the session.

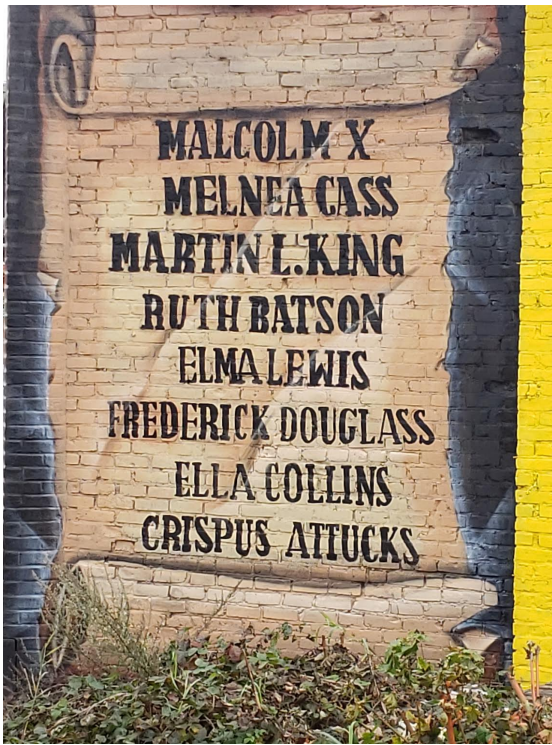
Entrepreneurial Leadership in the Social Sector Babson – Karen Bunch board chair and Ed Gaskin Executive Director, completed this one-week certification program, that improved their ability to serve the businesses and residents in the community.

Advanced Manufacturing – The greater Boston area is the only area in the state of Massachusetts that does not have an advanced manufacturing program. We have applied for a grant and had submitted a request as part of the ARPA funding. We now have large support for this project.

DESIGN

Clocktower – We received a grant for the restoration of the clocktower, and that project is scheduled to be completed by the end of the year.





Artist – Creation

Greater Grove Hall Main Streets was in the media quite a bit last year. We did many things to promote Grove Hall as you can see from the following list. Our murals project received a lot of media attention.

Jeremy “Sobek” Harrison – Malcolm X

Alvin “Acoma” Colon – Melnea Cass

“Mar” – Martin Luther King

Genaro “Go Five” Ortega Jr – Ruth Batson

Jason “SWAT” Talbot – Elma Lewis

Ricardo “Deme5” Gomez – Fredrick Douglass

Lee Beard – Ella Collins

Thomas “Kwest” Burns – Crispus Attucks

Ivan Richiez – Scroll Lettering

Audrey Seraphin, *SPARK Boston Director* – Produced a Walking Tour Map of Murals in Grove Hall with designated shopping stops.

GREEN ZONES

We are working on projects that would bring environmental justice to the residents of Grove Hall. This involved the creation of a Green Zone for Grove Hall. We are working on policy at both the city and state level.

Green Zone Booklet – We conducted an environmental audit on Grove Hall and published our research, which was in the form of PowerPoint slides, and as a booklet.

BPDA – We worked with Richard E. McGuinness, Deputy Director for Climate Change and Environmental Planning, to translate our research into policy.

Environmental Groups – We shared our research with over 30 environmental experts, including Mayor Wu’s environmental policy team.

Zoë Davis, Climate Resilience Project Manager – Participated in Heat Resilience research for Grove Hall.

EmPower Application – We received a grant to help implement an aspect of our Green Zone project.

Boston Architectural College (BAC) – They are using our Green Zone research to design

structures that combine housing and urban gardening and farming.

DISTRICT MARKETING/PROMOTION

New mural, “Deeply Rooted in the NeighborHOOD, homage to Allan Rohan Crite,” comes to Grove Hall, *The Patch*

BBJ panelists: Covid response missed the mark for small businesses. Here's how to fix it, *Boston Business Journal*

Solving the Problem of Under Investment in Black Tech Businesses, *Jewish Boston*

City launches effort on new BCYF centers in Dot, Grove Hall advocates dismayed by plans for park instead of facility, *Dorchester Reporter*

Black tech founders in Massachusetts get less VC funding. Here's how they're managing, *Boston Business Journal*

GROVE HALL IN COLOR – A Community Celebration with Artists and Creative Friends, *The Patch*

Murals brighten Grove Hall with sunflowers, *The Bay State Banner*

'You ain't seen nothing yet': Mural project pairs artists for rotating installations in Grove Hall, *The Bay State Banner*

Amazon's Black business accelerator comes to Boston, with little outreach, *The Boston Business Journal*

Men's Health Summit to honor Dot's Hunt, 7 others at Sat. event, *Dorchester Reporter*

Local business districts struggle with vacancies, *The Bay State Banner*

Five things you need to know today, and qualifying the blip, *The Bay State Banner*

Opinion: Removing the barriers to local Black economic development, *The Bay State Banner, Boston Business Journal*

William Gross To Step Down As Boston Police Commissioner, *GBH*

The Clarion, a mixed-use building, opens in Grove Hall, *Dorchester Reporter*

As CDC recommendations change, indoor mask wearing in Boston still mostly automatic, *The Boston Globe*

[We must increase the number of Black-Founded Tech companies in Mass. Here's](#)

[How](#), *Dig Magazine*

[Black tech founders in Massachusetts get less VC funding. Here's how they're managing](#), *Boston Business Journal*

[In Grove Hall, a battle between entrepreneurs of color who want a piece of the lucrative cannabis business and faith leaders who want to keep drugs out](#), *The Boston Globe*

[Local business districts struggle with vacancies](#), *Bay State Banner*

[Randolph's Gaskin recognized as a Men's Health Champion](#), *Wicked Local Randolph*

[Arts This Week: Mural Makers Team Up To Create Large Scale Public Art In Boston](#), *GBH*

[CityLine: Sun. July, 11, 2021: Now and There murals](#), *WCVB*

['Mentoring Murals' shows off generations of Black artistic talent](#), *The Boston Globe*

[Muralists kick off public art series in Grove Hall](#), *The Bay State Banner*

[Mentoring Murals: "No Strings Detached"](#), *The Patch*

['No Strings Detached' mural adds pop to Grove Hall laundry](#), *Dorchester Reporter*

["No Strings Detached" – A New Mural on Breezes Laundromat](#), *Caught in Dot*

[Making Grove Hall a Mecca for Murals](#), *BNN*

Spark FM Online "Wake Up with Tayla Andre featuring Mentoring Murals," June 9, 2021.

[Mural Artists Create Focal Point for Grove Hall](#), *BNN*

[On Another Level with Sharon Hinton](#), *BNN*

Mentoring Murals – Big City FM 88.5 FM with CLEMACUS "Marcus" James, interviewing Ed Gaskin

Mentoring Murals – Big City FM 88.5 FM with Dex, interviewing Aziza Goodnight.

Mentoring Murals in Grove Hall and your Collaboration, WGBH Boston Public Radio Jared Bowen in for Margery Eagan interviewing Larry Pierce and Paul Goodnight.

Mentoring Murals Video – Viewed over 1,300 on Twitter.

Mentoring Murals – Spark FM DJ Why Sham, interviewing Paul Goodnight and Larry Pierce

Mentoring Murals – BEJI Report Host Priscilla Douglas interviewing Paul Goodnight and Larry Pierce. Actually interviewed Aziza Goodnight and Ed Gaskin.

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Whittier Street Health Center – Honored board member Eddie Jenkins and Executive Director Greater Grove Hall Main Streets at their annual Men’s summit.

BECMA Black Expo – Opportunities in MA’s Clean & Green Economy. Moderated this panel at BECMAs Annual conference.

Grove Hall in Color – We sponsored two Grove Hall in Color events and both were a success.

Boston Business Journal / Black Teck Founders – Working on an article with writers, editors at BBJ on this topic. Published

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