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CEYLON PARK Project Update



Construction on the Turf Field will start the week of October 30, 2023



Please note that the entry to the park on the north side of the field will be closed off. From Ceylon Street, enter at the main park entrance near Columbia Road. From Magnolia Street, enter near the playground or basketball court.

Project webpage: www.boston.gov/Ceylon-Park

For more information, please contact: **Amy Linné** at Boston Parks and Recreation Department **617-961-3045** or **amy.linne@boston.gov.**

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2nd Annual Apprenticeship Fair, Hosted by the City of Boston Office of Workforce Development

On November 15th, 2023, from 3-5:30pm, the Mayor's Office of Workforce Development (OWD) will be hosting our 2nd Annual Apprenticeship Fair at the Codman Square Branch Library (690 Washington St), and we're reaching out to spread the word about the event and invite your staff and/or clients to join and learn more about available programs in the greater Boston area. We will have several organizations present to talk to attendees about their available opportunities.

Please visit <u>boston.gov/apprenticeships</u> for more information and to RSVP.

Some of the represented industries will be in the fields of Hospitality, Healthcare, Life Sciences, Construction, and many more! Additionally, OWD will be promoting its US Department of Labor-funded grant called Apprenticeship Building America, with partners MassBioEd, BEST Hospitality Training, YouthBuild Boston, and Boston EMS, who are also fair participants.

Hey Boston residents! **RIDE BLUEBIKES FOR \$60/YEAR!***

If you have an income that qualifies you for MassHealth, SNAP, or similar programs you might be able to get a membership for just **\$5 per year!**

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New Discounted BlueBikes Membership Out There!

The Boston Bikes pass - Discounted annual membership!

Recently Mayor Wu launched the <u>Boston Bikes Pass</u>, a discounted annual BlueBikes membership for Boston residents. It is discounted to \$60 for the whole year.

And! For Boston residents who qualify for MassHealth, SNAP, or have an income qualifying them for these or similar programs, **the annual membership is only \$5 for unlimited amounts of 45-min rides!**

To learn more and apply for the Boston Bikes Pass, go here: boston.gov/bikespass

City of Boston Launches Supplier Diversity Week and SCALE Program

Supporting businesses of color is crucial to a thriving economy in Boston and in the Commonwealth. Congratulations to Mayor Wu, Chief Idowu, and the City's Economic Opportunity and Inclusion team on creating Boston's first Supplier Diversity Week and the launch of the <u>Supplying Capital And Leveraging</u> <u>Education (SCALE) business accelerator program</u>. The Chamber is proud to partner with the City and support supplier diversity through our Pacesetters network.

Today, our CEO, James E. Rooney, was honored to join Mayor Wu, government officials, and community leaders to celebrate Supplier Diversity Week and recommit to diversifying their spend to strengthen our economy.

<u>Pacesetters</u> supports mid and large size corporations in increasing their spend with businesses of color in Massachusetts. In 2021, Pacesetter buyers spent over \$203 million with businesses of color in the Commonwealth.

Join us today in diversifying your vendor pipeline and building a stronger economy.

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CWE's 4th Annual Women of Color Business Summit (WOCBS) on Wednesday, November 1

The Center for Women & Enterprise (CWE) is pleased to announce its fourth annual **Women of Color Business Summit (WOCBS)**, scheduled to be held at the Babson Executive Conference Center in Wellesley, MA, next week.

Developed by and for women of color, the WOCBS provides a space and an opportunity to address the unique challenges, concerns, and issues faced by one of the business world's fastest growing, yet least supported, demographic groups. This year's conference will focus on topics that will help entrepreneurs take their business from one plateau to the next. It will take place from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Wednesday, November 1.

To register, <u>click here</u>. Use the discount code **CWEPR2023TY** when registering for a 50% discount.



The Dropout Summit on Saturday, November 11

BECMA Member Kurt Faustin's The Dropout Summit returns on Saturday, November 11, from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Now in its fourth edition, the 2023 Dropout Summit is all about increasing your profit margins, discovering your mental richness, diversifying your financial wealth, and enriching your relationships.

This year's event promises to be "the most epic summit yet," welcoming **19 Keys, Nicky Saunders,** and **Wallstreet Trapper** to the city of Boston as guest speakers.

The Dropout Summit combines mental and emotional wellness, personal and professional development, and financial literacy to provide attendees with the ultimate lessons in success, taught by today's top social influencers.

To register, <u>click here</u>.



Write the Vision: Goal Setting Brunch on Sunday, November 12

Join BECMA Member Kueen King for the Write The Vision: Goal Setting Brunch on Sunday, November 12, from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

The event, set to be held at the Best Western in Quincy, MA, aims to help Black entrepreneurs get ready for the new year by getting connected, recharged, and motivated to achieve all of their goals for 2024.

King believes that many people simply require a bit of encouragement and a nudge to propel them toward greatness. For such individuals, she says this event is not to be missed.

To register, click here.



Apply for the City of Boston's S.P.A.C.E. Grant

Applications for the next round of the City of Boston's **S.P.A.C.E. Grant** are officially OPEN. The S.P.A.C.E. (Supporting Pandemic Affected Community Enterprises) Grant program aims to revitalize Boston's commercial districts by filling vacant storefronts and helping small business owners secure new storefront spaces.

Learn more and apply now by <u>clicking here</u>. The deadline to apply is Friday, November 10, 2023, at 5 p.m.



Boston University School of Hospitality Administration

When: Wednesday, November 8, 2023

Where: Boston University Center for Computing & Data Sciences (CDS) 665 Comm Ave. Boston MA 02215 (17th floor) Registration: Open to all and free to attend. Registration is available for The Future of Urban Real Estate Panel, The SHA Alumni Panel, or both.

The 2023 Hospitality Real Estate Symposium, presented by the <u>School of</u> <u>Hospitality Administration</u>, is an invitation to all who share a passion for the future of our cities to explore the transformative power of real estate. Join us for this engaging conversation and networking event.



The Future of Urban Real Estate Panel

The Future of Urban Real Estate Panel *(4:00pm-5:30pm)* will feature Boston's leading real estate experts, business leaders, and entrepreneurs, representing minority-owned businesses, who have pushed for stronger diversity, equity, and inclusion in real estate development industry-wide.



The SHA Alumni Panel on Careers in Hospitality Real Estate

The SHA Alumni Panel on Careers in Hospitality Real Estate (2:30pm-4:00pm) is an opportunity for students and young professionals to learn about careers in hospitality real estate and to network.

For the full agenda, visit 2023 Hospitality Real Estate Symposium.

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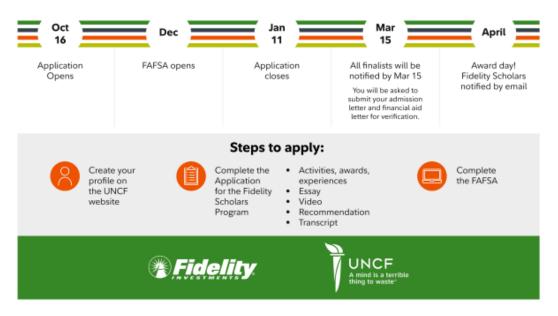
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Coalitions, Policy & Grassroots Organizing Team Recap



Last week we held our Coalitions, Policy & Grassroots Organizing Member Team meeting. This team is designed to bring together a diverse group of activists, organizers, and advocates to work together on critical issues. During this meeting, members discussed legislative and decision making processes.

Notes

Join the Team

Upcoming Ujima Meetings

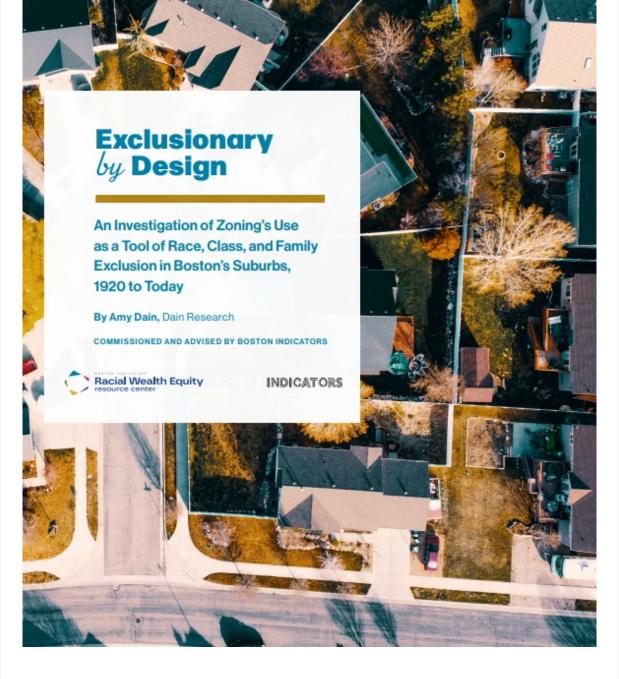
We hold Open Meetings every Wednesday at 6pm!

See our calendar below for more details on our workshops and events.

Disrupting the Narrative Nov 8, 2023 Hybrid RSVP →

#UjimaWednesdays Meeting Agenda: 6:00-7:15 - Community Building + Financial and Political Education 7:15-8:30 - Member Team Meetings

BOSTON INDICATORS



Please Join Us For

Exclusionary by Design

An Investigation of Zoning's Use as a Tool of Race, Class, and Family Exclusion in Boston's Suburbs, 1920 to Today

Wednesday, November 8th, 2023

10:00 to 11:00 a.m.

Zoom Webinar

Register Now

As part of a new Racial Wealth Equity Research Center initiative, Boston Indicators commissioned Amy Dain, among the region's leading zoning experts, to research and write Exclusionary by Design. Based on extensive review of local planning documents, state reports, and press coverage over the past 100 years, the report finds widespread use of zoning as a tool of social exclusion against residents of color, especially Black residents; lower-income and working-class residents; families with school-aged children; religious minorities; immigrants; and, in some cases, any newcomers/outsiders at all.

This report is timely as policymakers are pushed by the scale and persistence of our regional housing shortage to consider state-level zoning reform in new ways. Other states have recently passed laws that reclaim some land use authority for state or regional governments, and Massachusetts is in the process of implementing our own MBTA Communities Upzoning law. What can we learn about the past 100 years of municipal zoning in Massachusetts to inform these state efforts? Will current local efforts be sufficient, or will we need further state-level zoning reform to address these problems at scale? Can municipalities be trusted to act in good faith and at the scale necessary?

Welcome and Opening Remarks

Luc Schuster, Executive Director, Boston Indicators

Presentation of the Report Amy Dain, *Consultant*, Dain Research

Panel Discussion and Q&A Amy Dain, *Consultant*, Dain Research Theodore C. Landsmark, *Distinguished Professor of Public Policy and Urban Affairs*, Northeastern University Luc Schuster, *Executive Director*, Boston Indicators

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For additional information, please contact Michelle Hinkle at michelle.hinkle@tbf.org

<u>Boston Indicators</u> is the research center at the Boston Foundation, which works to advance a thriving Greater Boston for all residents across all neighborhoods. We do this by analyzing key indicators of well-being and by researching promising ideas for making our city more prosperous, equitable and just. To ensure that our work informs active efforts to improve our city, we work in deep partnership with community groups, civic leaders and Boston's civic data community to produce special reports and host public convenings.

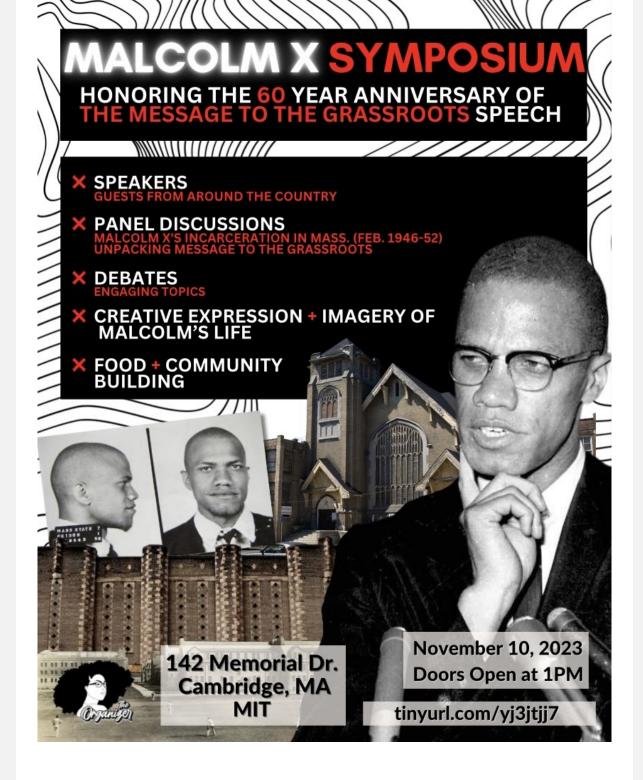
ANNUAL CAMPAIGN FOR CIVIC LEADERSHIP By working in collaboration with a wide range of partners, the Boston Foundation provides opportunities for people to come together to explore challenges facing our constantly changing communities and to develop an informed civic agenda that advances equity, opportunity and justice in Greater Boston. All of the Boston Foundation's civic leadership activities are supported by our <u>Annual Campaign for Civic Leadership</u>.

Visit <u>www.tbf.org/civicleadership</u> to learn more about this important campaign. Visit <u>www.tbf.org</u> to learn more about the Boston Foundation and its activities.









Honoring Malcolm X This Fall! (Boston)

Contact Information:

email@blacklivesmatterboston.org

For Immediate Release

NOVEMBER 2023 - Black Lives Matter Boston will be working alongside other community organizers within the Black Liberation movement to host the Malcolm X Symposium: Honoring 60 Years of Message to the Grassroots speech in the fall!

The Malcolm X Symposium is an opportunity to unite our community members, with the goal of transcending the socioeconomic, discipline and age boundaries we often see in academic circles. Our symposium seeks to creatively engage attendees by delving deep into Malcolm X's liberation theory, breaking down the evolution of his beliefs, and exploring his continued relevance in our world today.

The planning committee has spent a considerable amount of time crafting a dynamic program that will unpack the life and legacy of one of the most influential leaders and Black liberation organizers of our time. We will demystify the indelible impact Malcolm X had on the Black Power Movement, how his analysis informs the Movement today, his mark on the Black community in the U.S. and beyond. The symposium has a dual focus on the carceral state through the lens of Brother Malcolm's six years (1946–1953) of incarceration in Massachusetts, while also examining one of his prolific speeches–Message to the Grassroots. The Malcolm X symposium will take place in Boston, Massachusetts on November 10, 2023, commemorating the 60th anniversary of Brother Malcolm's Message to the Grassroots speech.

We have curated a unique gathering of organizers, advocates, community members, business leaders, scholars, and individuals who are passionate about promoting human rights and organizational unity, for this occasion. The Symposium will provide a diverse range of activities, discussions, debates, artistic workshops, nurshing delectables from our culture and speakers through whom we shall explore various facets of Malcolm X's life and philosophies, with a broad focus on his life, from Malcolm the 'street hustler' to Minister Malcolm, the community organizer.

BLM Boston will feature a resource table where participants can learn about and sign up to join both organizations and campaigns that embrace radical grassroots initiatives. Through this effort we aim to inspire, unify, and spur to action of our community, particularly the disengaged and apathetic members through the lens of Malcolm X's oeuvre. We believe Malcolm X's work is rooted in the fundamental tenets of democracy and social progress and still directly apply today.

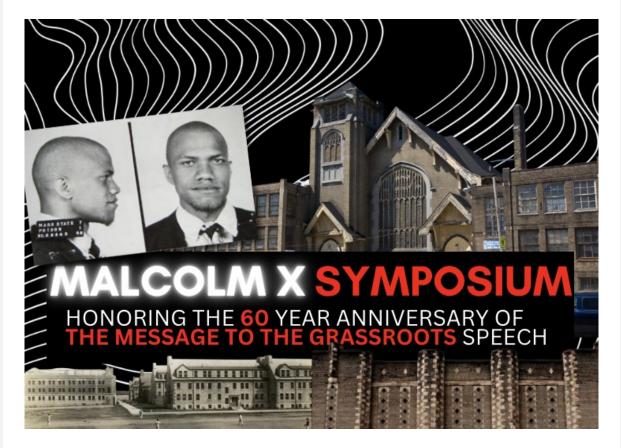
The symposium is open to the public - we welcome individuals from all backgrounds, ages, and experiences to attend and to share information about this event. Our guest registration period is now open. If you visit the Eventbrite link below, you can reserve your spot.

Please join us for this memorable occasion as we pay homage to Brother Malcolm, sixty years on from the delivery of his Message to the Grassroots speech. Please direct all media inquiries about the event to us via email: <u>email@blacklivesmatterboston.org</u>.

REGISTER FOR THE EVENT <u>HERE</u>.

We hope to see you in attendance!

In Solidarity,



"The common goal of 22 million Afro-Americans is respect as human beings, the Godgiven right to be a human being. Our common goal is to obtain the human rights that America has been denying us. We can never get civil rights in America until our human rights are first restored. We will never be recognized as citizens there until we are first recognized as humans." – **Malcolm X**

For more information, and our Community Calendar, here are some links:

- BLM Boston Program Overview
- Community Calendar
- BLM Boston Linktree

Join us for a UMass Boston community meeting where we will share campus and community updates.

Refreshments and Parking will be provided

Monday, November 13 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Intergrated Science Complex University of Massachusetts Boston 100 Morrissey Boulevard

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Submit Questions in Advance

Understanding Business Credit

Many small businesses operate on a "cash" basis, never really taking advantage of the power of business credit. Banks offer a wide range of credit products from credit cards to lines and commercial loans. This seminar sponsored by Brookline Bank will help you determine what is right for your business and how to apply.

Nov 15th, 8:30-10 Oasis Caribbean Restaurant 33 Hancock St, Dorchester, MA 02125

For more information email Ed Gaskin ewgaskin@gmail.com



Is your nonprofit in compliance with tax-exempt laws and guidelines?

Assess your operations at a Nonprofit Wellness Check Consultation!

Nonprofit Wellness Check Consultation Tuesday, November 16 | 1:30 PM-4:00 PM Via Zoom video conferencing

APPLY HERE

Note: Consultations are limited to 501(c)3 organizations. However anyone may choose to attend just the presentation.

Good governance and compliance are the building blocks for a strong and effective organization! Join us at this Nonprofit Wellness Check to get one-on-one assistance assessing your operations and creating a roadmap for improvement.

The Nonprofit Wellness Check is a two-part program. You may apply to attend one or both parts:

- 1:30 PM-2:30 PM: One-hour presentation on good governance and legal compliance.
- 2:30 PM-4 PM: Private consultation with volunteer attorneys.

Presenter: <u>Shifrah Halevi</u>, Lawyers Clearinghouse Volunteer Attorneys: <u>Goodwin</u>

Does your nonprofit need legal assistance?

Apply for assistance with a civil legal matter through our Legal Referral Program

Are you a CFO, COO or HR manager of a nonprofit? The NonProfit Financial Managers is a nonprofit member group offering monthly educational programs and a member listserv geared specifically to the needs of these financial management professionals who work in the nonprofit sector. See their website (<u>www.npfm.org</u>) for more details.

Free CORI Training & Free CORI Clinics

Hello everyone - I hope you are well. Here is a registration link for an upcoming free <u>training for staff</u> I'm giving on Massachusetts criminal records, sealing, and expungement. The training will be on Zoom <u>November 15</u> from 10:00 - 11:30 am. Please circulate to your teams. We will announce 2024 staff training dates soon.

Website Link: <u>https://lawyersclearinghouse.org/event/cori-what-nonprofits-need-to-know-to-help-their-clients-virtual-17/</u> Sign-up Form: <u>https://forms.gle/itK9UpmHnpGoFC7D8</u>

For a free, one hour <u>workshop for your clients</u> with criminal records, please contact me at the email below to schedule.

For the ongoing free <u>CORI Clinic</u> that Lawyers Clearinghouse & I offer twice a month over Zoom, please help your clients register using the form linked here. <u>Lawyers Clearinghouse CORI Sealing Clinic (google.com)</u>

Crispin Birnbaum Access to Justice Fellow <u>crispinbirnbaum.atjfellows@gmail.com</u> (617) 699-3999

Northeastern University School of Law Center for Law, Equity and Race Presents:

George Weekes and the **Caribbean Radical Tradition:**

A Labor Narrative and Lessons for Today's Labor Movement in the US.

November 17, 2023, 12:30-2:30p.m. EST | 240 Dockser Hall Lunch 11:45 a.m.

Join the Center for Law, Equity and Race (CLEAR), for a presentation by Dr. Godfrey Vincent, author of Rebels at the Gates: The Oilfields Workers' Trade Union (OWTU) in the Era of George Weekes, 1962-1987. This will be an engaging discussion about the struggles for workers' rights in the Caribbean during the 1960s to 1980s and the lessons that can be used in the US labor movement today for better working conditions.

Moderated by:



Deborah Jackson Managing Director, Center for Law, Equity and Race, Northeastern

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SPEAKERS

Dr. Godfrey Vincent Associate Professor of History Wilberforce University



Selwyn R. Cudjoe Professor of Africana Studies Wellesley College





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How to Apply

To apply, call the Lead Hotline at 617-989-7888. Your property will be reviewed. Once the cost is determined, you may enroll, if eligible. The replacement work is generally performed weekdays and is subject to availability.

Additional Information

For more information, call the Lead Hotline at 617-989-7888.

Supplemental Information

Boston Public Health Commission www.bphc.org 617-534-5395

Department of Environmental Protection www.mass.gov/eea/agencies/massdep/water/ E-mail: Program.Director-DWP@state.ma.us 617-292-5770

Environmental Protection Agency www.epa.gov/lead 1-800-424-LEAD (5323)

Massachusetts Water Resources Authority www.mwra.com 617-242-LEAD (5323)

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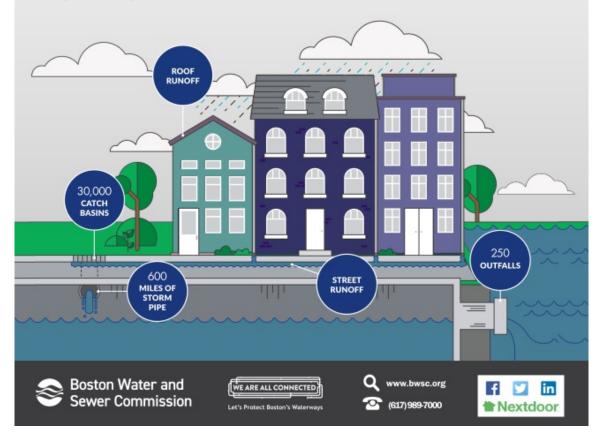


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What is stormwater, and how does it become a source of pollution?

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Next year, the Boston Water and Sewer Commission will launch an expanded stormwater program that meets an elevated need for investment in stormwater infrastructure. The program will include the creation of a proposed separate stormwater charge and credits/grants for customers who work to reduce stormwater runoff from their property.



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Boston's drinking water is provided by the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority from the Quabbin Reservoir and is distributed lead-free to homes and businesses. However, some older homes in Boston may have a lead service line, lead solder used in plumbing and older brass fixtures. If you have a lead service line in your home or business, have it replaced.



Exposure to lead in drinking water can cause serious health effects in all groups. Running your cold water in the morning for a minute will flush your service line, this may reduce exposure to lead in drinking water if your service line is lead.



Boston property owners should take advantage of this important program at no cost to you. We offer free inspection of your water service line to determine if it is made of copper or lead. If your service line is lead BWSC will replace it at no cost to the property owner.

To have your service line tested and replaced take advantage of BWSC's No Cost Lead Replacement Incentive Program at 617-989-7888.

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Bunker Hill Community College Division of Workforce and Economic Development Exciting Opportunity for Paid Training and Employment

Bunker Hill's Division of Workforce and Economic Development has an exciting opportunity you may be interested in!

We are recruiting candidates for a Property Accountant and Accounts Payable unregistered apprenticeship program. The program will launch in January 2024 and will consist of the following:

- Two BHCC credit courses (Accounting 101 and Accounting 102)
- A customer service and career readiness training course
- Training for the roles at a company site (beginning in mid-spring)

Candidates who are successful through the coursework and training will be offered full-time positions at the company at the end of the Spring 2024 semester.

Candidates will be paid for completing the courses and training for the roles at the company site.

You do not need accounting or finance experience to apply, but the company seeks candidates with accountability, strong professional skills, and a desire to learn and grow in these roles.

If this interests you, please complete this no-commitment application of interest with your contact information and a resume today!

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Small Business Updates

The Massachusetts Advantage Alternate Talent Sources to Diversify Your Cyber Workforce.

Tuesday, November 7th 100 Causeway St., Boston, MA Time: 9:00 am. - 11:00 am

Business Succession Planning Workshop Wednesday, November 8th Roslindale Community Center, 6 Cummins Highway Time: 10:00 am - Noon To Register: <u>Click here</u>

Sales Day of Service November 15th Online Event Time: Noon

To Register: Click here



Grants for Women-Owned Businesses

WomensNet funds several grants for women-owned businesses throughout the year. Fill out one application and you will be eligible for the monthly \$10,000 general business grant, the monthly business category grant, or the annual \$25,000 grant.



Apply to be a Technical Assistant Learn more!



Apply today!



SBA U.S. Small Business Administration



SBA Massachusetts Celebrates National Veterans Small Business Week!

Events Nationwide Will Highlight Agency's Efforts to Support Nearly 2 million Veteran and Military **Spouse-Owned Small Businesses**

Join us October 30 to November 3, 2023, as we celebrate the 10th annual National Veterans Small Business Week! The SBA will honor America's veteran and military spouse owned businesses and highlight their achievements. Learn more HERE

You can join in on the festivities by telling the veteran or military spouse small business owners in your life about the resources available for their businesses, shopping at veteran-owned businesses, and using #NVSBW23 on social media.



JOIN US! 11/3 Massachusetts Military Spouse Pathway to Business

Friday, November 3rd / 8AM - 4PM

REGISTER

Veterans Representative and Springfield Branch Manager Oreste Varela will lead participants through a virtual event open to all Military Spouses, Veterans and Service Members highlighting resources and tools to help you succeed!

11/1 Entrepreneurship for Veterans

Wednesday, November 1st / 10AM - 11AM

REGISTER

Join the VBOC of New England to explore entrepreneurship and idea recognition. Starting your own business can be an exciting and rewarding experiencee. Your hard work can provide several personal benefits such as being your own boss, setting your own schedule, and earning money doing something you enjoy. Your military connection is an asset, and your transferable skills can result in successful business ownership. In this live workshop we discuss if entrepreneurship is right for you!

12/9 Boots to Business Reboot for Veteran & Milspouse Entrepreneurs

Saturday, December 9th / 8:30AM - 4PM

REGISTER

Join the Veterans Business Outreach Center of New England (VBOC) for our virtual Boots to Business - REBOOT class on Saturday, December 9, 2023 from 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM est. The curriculum provides assistance to those interested in exploring business ownership or other self-employment opportunities by leading participants through the key steps for evaluating business concepts and providing foundational knowledge required to develop a business plan. Participants are introduced to a broad spectrum of entrepreneurial business concepts and resources available to access start-up capital, technical assistance, contracting opportunities, and more. Topics will include:

- What is Entrepreneurship?
- Idea vs. Business Opportunity?
- Doing Your Market Research Customers and Industry
- The Economics of Small Business
- Selecting The Correct Legal Structure
- Financing Your Venture
- Business Planning
- SBA Resources For You

This Saturday class is open to all Veteran students, Veterans of all eras, members of the Guard and Reserve, and military-connected family members who are interested in starting or growing a small business. There is no charge for this event. Please note this class is held **virtually** and the class will start at 8:30 am Eastern Standard Time and will run until approximately 4:00 pm.

SBA Administrator Isabel Guzman Announces National Veterans Small Business Week

"For the last 10 years, the SBA has celebrated National Veterans Small Business Week to honor and highlight America's nearly two million veteran entrepreneurs who have served our nation heroically in the military and now as leaders of their local communities," said Administrator Guzman. "The Biden-Harris Administration is committed to supporting veterans in every facet of their lives once they return home, and the SBA stands ready to help thousands of transitioning service members, veterans and military spouses get access to opportunity and the American dream through the path of business ownership."

In addition to its support for veteran-owned small businesses, the Biden-Harris Administration recently announced an <u>executive order</u> to support military spouses, under which the SBA will provide resources, capital and other specialized support to help get their businesses off the ground. The SBA has made a number of key changes in the past year to expand access to capital for veteran- and military spouse-owned small businesses, including:

- Implementing the SBA <u>Veteran Business Certification</u> program, which connects service-disabled veteran-owned small businesses with federal contracting opportunities through a more streamlined and user-friendly process.
- Expanding the <u>Veteran Business Outreach Center (VBOC)</u> program from 22 to 28 VBOCs across the country to provide more resources and support to active service members, veterans and military spouses.
- Overhauling its <u>loan program</u> to expand access to capital for veteran-owned small businesses.
- Launching its new <u>Military Spouse Pathway to Business</u> training program to help military spouses looking to start their entrepreneurial journey.

Each year, veteran-owned businesses make significant contributions to the U.S. economy, employing over 5 million Americans and generating \$1.3 trillion in total sales.

For more information about National Veterans Small Business Week, and to find events in your area, visit <u>sba.gov/nvsbw</u>.







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NOW ACCEPTING NOMINATIONS for SBA's National Small Business Week Awards!

2 WAYS TO SUBMIT A NOMINATION:

1. EMAIL US A NOMINATION! Send an email copying the business owner you are nominating to: <u>norman.eng@sba.gov</u> with a brief description of why you are nominating them and for what award category. We will follow up with the nominee to assist with completing the submission paperwork.

2. SELF-NOMINATE, SELF-SUBMIT! Below are guidelines and links to submit a completed package on your own. Previous awardees have self-nominated and self-submitted packages quickly and easily on their own simply following the instructions.

DISTRICT OFFICE AWARDS OVERVIEW

Submission Deadline: Thursday, December 7, 2023 at 4:00pm EST.

2024 Award Categories:

There are DISTRICT awards and two NATIONAL awards categories: "Small Business Person of the Year" and "Exporter of the Year".

The top award in each state is **Small Business Person of the Year** and nominees may elect to be considered for this category ALONG WITH another "District Office Award" category, but will only win one.

The Massachusetts SBPOY will go on to compete for "National Small Business

Person of the Year" honors, up against winners from every state across the country!

- Small Business Person of the Year (National and District)
- Small Business Exporter (National and District)
- Jeffrey Butland Family-Owned Small Business of the Year
- Manufacturer of the Year
- Microenterprise of the Year
- Minority Small Business of the Year
- Veteran Small Business of the Year
- Women in Business of the Year
- Young Entrepreneur of the Year
- Homebased Business of the Year
- Financial Services Champion of the Year

National Small Business Week Links: <u>National Guidelines and Overview</u> <u>TOP HONORS: Small Business Person of the Year</u> <u>District Office Awards Instructions and Forms</u> <u>Massachusetts District Office Submission Upload Link</u>

If you need help with submitting a package or just have a quick question, please do not hesitate to reach out to <u>norman.eng@sba.gov</u>

Upcoming Events (SBA & Resource Partners)

Friday 11/3/23 / 8:00am - 4:00pm Massachusetts Military Spouse Pathway to Business



BEAT THE Massachusetts BAY STATE

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Beat the Bay State kicks off this Wednesday!

Over 50 people have already registered today! From November 1st, we invite you to participate in the <u>4th Annual Beat the Bay State</u> <u>Challenge</u>, which will take place throughout November (Nov 1st-30th). Don't have a team yet? There's still time to make one! People can sign up at any time, including all through November!

In 2022, more than 500 individuals joined the virtual team challenge to walk or run 900 miles, equivalent to the perimeter of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Collectively, we accomplished an impressive distance of over 50,000 miles.

Together, we raised critical funds to make Massachusetts more walkable, and individual participants and teams were encouraged to stay active as the weather became cooler while earning the opportunity to win fun prizes and bragging rights!

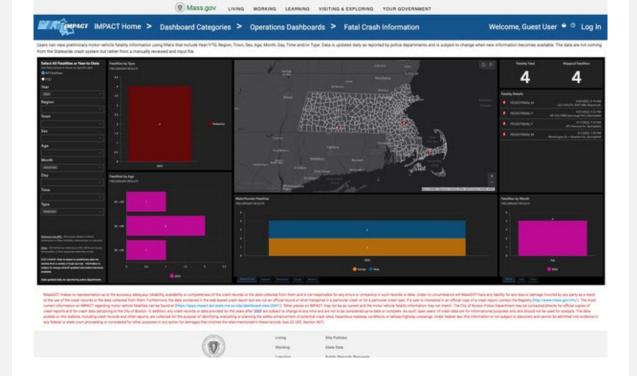
How much can we accomplish this year?!



Thank you to our wonderful sponsors!

For the third consecutive year, <u>Plymouth Rock Assurance</u> has partnered with us as a gold sponsor. We are further grateful to all of our sponsors who generously help fund our event, including donating gift cards and merchandise to be won and raffled off to participants. If you are interested in <u>becoming a sponsor</u>, please reach out as there is still time to join us!





Statewide Fatal Crashes in MA, September 2023

Each month, we post about the fatal crashes in Massachusetts from the previous month, and share any trends that we see. For the full list of monthly posts, head here. Last month, we took a look at crashes listed in the MassDOT Crash Portal in August; six were identified as people walking. This month, we'll look at crashes in MA in September 2023. The information in the chart in the post is compiled from news reports, and was checked against the MassDOT Crash Portal Dashboard "Fatal Crash Information." Any Google Street View images included use the address listed in the crash portal.

- Of the 31 fatal crashes in Massachusetts in September in the MassDOT Crash portal, 4 were identified as people walking.
- The average age of pedestrians hit & killed in September was 40.25.
- Read the full post.



Photo: Andy Robinson

World Day of Remembrance, November 19th, 2023

World Day of Remembrance Webinar Recap

On Wednesday, October 25, 2023, the <u>Massachusetts Vision Zero Coalition</u> hosted a <u>Webinar about World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims</u>. (WalkMassachusetts is a founding member of the MA VZ Coalition.) Thank you to MassBike for coordinating the webinar and <u>writing up a blog post with helpful</u> <u>information from participants, available here</u>.

World Day of Remembrance is an annual international event when people can gather together to reflect on those we've lost or who have been injured in a traffic crash and commit ourselves to improving our state's roadways here in Massachusetts. It is held on the third Sunday each November. If you are planning an event, please let the Vision Zero Coalition know so we can add it to our <u>Massachusetts toolkit</u>. The final page of the toolkit includes events so far in Somerville, Quincy, and a joint Holyoke/Springfield event covering Hampden county. We are happy to help with media outreach and/or provide guidance on how to look up crash data in your community. You can reach us at <u>info@visionzerocoalition.org</u>.



Join us in Springfield on 11/9, 5-7pm to hear from Walk Audit Academy participants

Please join us on November 9th 5-7pm at the Neighborhood Resource Center (437 Bay Street, Springfield) to hear about the "Walk Audit Academy – Springfield" effort and what participants found during their walk audits in Fall 2023. Food will be provided. This project was <u>led by WalkMassachusetts and sponsored by AARP</u> as part of a <u>Community Challenge Grant</u>.

Location

Neighborhood Resource Center, 437 Bay Street, Springfield

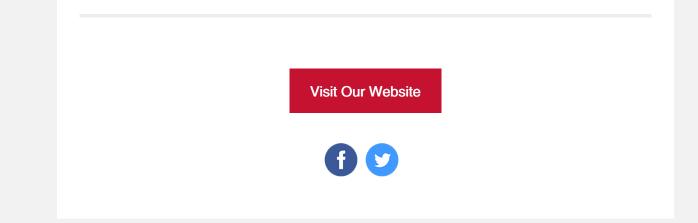
RSVP

Send an email to Jonny - jgp@walkboston.org - if you will be attending.

Who is invited?

This event is open to anyone in the Springfield community (and beyond) that is interested in learning more about walk audits and safe streets efforts. Just make sure to RSVP! Doing so will help us plan and ensure that we are able to provide enough food for all attendees. (As you RSVP to Jonny, please let him know if you have any questions, a need for Spanish interpretation, or dietary restrictions.)

We look forward to seeing you on 11/9! View this info on our website so you can share it with others.



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