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| *Mayor Michelle Wu*

S.P.A.C.E. GRANTS

The City of Boston is reopening their S.P.A.C.E. Grants program, which grants awardees with up to \$200,000 to fill commercial space within the city. The grant doesn't open until October 2, 2023, but there is a link to indicate interest in the grant ahead of time.



Nonprofit & Small Business

FUNDING & RESOURCE ROUNDUP



A Funding & Resource Roundup from our partners at the National Association for Latino Community Asset Builders (NALCAB):

- [Novae Grants Database](#) – A database of grants for small businesses.
- [PublishHer Grant](#) – Business Impact Grant program for women of color. Apply by August 31, 2023. Grants for \$5,000.
- [She's Connected Grant](#) – A chance to win \$20,000 for a women-owned small business, a free year of AT&T service and devices, along with the support of the She's Connected by AT&T platform. Apply by August 31, 2023.
- [Start Small Think Big](#) provides personalized business support and webinars for small business clients.

Learn more about Mayor Wu's Vision for the BPDA by visiting our [website page](#) and [share your question\(s\)](#) or email us at BPDAvision@boston.gov.

Fill out our Boston Design Vision survey!

This initiative hopes to create a [Design Vision](#) that will guide how spaces support Bostonians citywide. As part of this first round of engagement, please tell us about your community and what makes spaces feel like home.

[\[Take the survey\]](#)

There is also a [MadLib activity](#) and a [mapping activity](#)!

Harvard ERC District & Greenway Forum

Wednesday, September 6, 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

Join us at the first Public Forum for the Harvard Enterprise Research Campus (ERC) District and Greenway Plan. The forum will be an opportunity for the public to learn more about the site and opportunities for improved connectivity, mobility, and open space, and contribute ideas and feedback to ensure a community-led planning process for this area.

Interpretation will be available in Cantonese, Mandarin, and Spanish.

[\[Learn more\]](#)



PLAN: Newmarket Zoning Implementation Public Meeting

Wednesday, September 6, 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM

Please join the BPDA for a virtual public meeting on September 6, 2023, to discuss the Draft Article 90 Zoning Amendment resulting from [PLAN: Newmarket](#). BPDA Staff will present the zoning amendment, highlight key takeaways, and be available for questions and comments from meeting attendees. This is a public meeting: all are welcome to join, comment, and discuss the proposed zoning changes.

The Draft Article 90 Zoning Amendment was posted on August 17, 2023. A public comment period on draft amendments will be open until September 8, 2023. Revised text amendments may then go to the BPDA Board on September 14, 2023 and then to the Boston Zoning Commission for approval.



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visit boston.gov/eviction-questions

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Eviction and Rental Assistance

If you need rental assistance, please visit the link below for resources through the Office of Housing Stability.

[\[Eviction and Rental resources\]](#)

BPDA Events September 4 - September 8

[Allston-Brighton Needs Assessment Community Event](#)

Sunday, September 03

[Boston Civic Design Commission Monthly Meeting](#)

Tuesday, September 05

[232 A Street Impact Advisory Group Meeting](#)

Tuesday, September 05

[131 North Beacon Street Impact Advisory Group Meeting](#)

Tuesday, September 05

[PLAN: Newmarket Zoning Implementation Public Meeting](#)

Wednesday, September 06

[Dorchester Bay City Citizens Advisory Committee Meeting](#)

Wednesday, September 06

[27 Farragut Road Public Meeting](#)

Wednesday, September 06

[2 Ford Street and 970 Saratoga Street Public Meeting](#)

Wednesday, September 06

[Harvard ERC District & Greenway Forum](#)

Wednesday, September 06

[More Events](#)

In the News

[*New Public Art Highlights Boston's History-making Black Women*](#) – Steph Solis

[*The Wealth Gap Has a Wealth of Causes*](#) – Ed Gaskin

[*Commentary: Policy Choices in Closing the Wealth Gap, Community Wealth*](#) – Ed Gaskin

[*Five Things: Another Data Breach, Hyde Park Apartments, Flexcar Cuts and My Broken-clock Moment*](#) – Doug Banks

[*Jiangxi River Bridge, A Standout With Its Sculptural Curves By Zaha Hadid Architects*](#) – PA Editorial Team

[*A Game Plan For Bridging The Coming Energy Divide*](#) – Ed Gaskin

[*In Grove Hall, a Banner Display to Spotlight Boston's 'Hidden Figures'*](#) – Tiana Woodard

Join Us for Education, Retirement, and Inheritances on September 7th

Please Join Us

Education, Retirement, and Inheritances

Thursday, September 7th

9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

Zoom Webinar

Register Now

This is the second convening in a new research and conversation series on racial wealth equity in Greater Boston, jointly hosted by Boston Indicators and the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston. The event will feature research from the Boston Fed, [Racial Wealth Disparities: Reconsidering the Roles of Human Capital and Inheritance](#). This paper builds upon common analyses of the Survey of Consumer Finances to generate a variety of new insights into the relative asset levels of different racial groups. The paper's more detailed wealth estimates reveal new findings about how earnings, pensions, and other education and work-related factors contribute to racial wealth disparities. Lead author, Jeffrey P. Thompson, will begin the event with an accessible presentation, and then we will transition to Q&A with the audience. Watch your email for a more detailed agenda in the weeks to come.

Welcome & Introduction

Racial Wealth Disparities: Reconsidering the Roles of Human Capital and Inheritance

Jeffrey P. Thompson, Vice President and Economist, Federal Reserve Bank of Boston

Respondent/Moderator and Audience Q&A

Luc Schuster, Executive Director, Boston Indicators

About the Racial Wealth Equity Research and Conversation Series

Across our region, there's growing recognition that racial wealth inequity is among the most pressing issues we face. And fortunately, there's already a lot of great

research to help inform organizing efforts for change. But there's a lot to digest and it can be intimidating for non-experts to find venues for learning about this work in an accessible way. That's where Boston Indicators and the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston's new Racial Wealth Equity Research and Conversation Series comes in. Each event will include one or two research presentations and then open for questions and discussion. Research presentations will dig into causes of and potential solutions to the racial wealth gap, including state and local levers that could narrow the gap. And we will always aim to do this in a non-technical way. We plan to host these events roughly four times per year. Watch for future events in the series!

Register Now

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





Celebrate With Us and Our ALX100 Honorees!

The inaugural 2023 ALX100 Awards recognize exceptional Latinx leaders across Massachusetts who have demonstrated outstanding excellence and made significant contributions in their respective fields and communities.

From overlooked champions to community leaders and pioneering entrepreneurs, we honor 100 of the most brilliant Latinx individuals driving positive change across the entire region.

In the course of the 2023 campaign, Amplify LatinX will gather and commemorate these exceptional leaders through distinctive gatherings, a special hardcover book, an exhibition, and collaborations with media outlets.

Join us at Boston's iconic and historic Public Library where we'll celebrate our 2023 slate of ALX100 honorees and unveil the ALX100 exhibition. Take a commemorative selfie next to your favorite honorees' banners during this private exhibition. Enjoy Latinx-inspired food & drinks, dance the night away to exciting live entertainment, and have the opportunity to get your hands on limited-edition gifts by making a donation to Amplify LatinX. Be sure to dress to impress!



You're Invited

ALX100

The inaugural ALX100 Awards recognize exceptional Latinx leaders across Massachusetts who have demonstrated outstanding excellence and made significant contributions in their respective fields and communities. From unsung heroes to civic leaders to business trailblazers, we celebrate 100 of the brightest Latinx change makers from across the commonwealth.

Join us as we celebrate their achievements!

ALX100 Honoree Reception
Thursday, September 14, 2023
The Boston Public Library

7:30 - 8:30 | Award Presentation
8:30 - 11pm | Reception

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This is How We Amplify

The Amplify LatinX community is pleased to announce that Massachusetts Governor has approved our earmark for FY24. We wish to extend our sincerest gratitude to all legislators, and specifically, Governor Maura Healey, who believe in our work to elevate Latinos across the commonwealth. A very special thank you to all legislators that championed our earmark in the last months.



On July 19th, Amplify Latinx attended and partnered with Get Connected and GBH to host Affirmative Action Town Meeting hosted.

This informative and interactive discussion was moderated by Paris Alston of GBH News Morning Edition.



Our Latinx Business Advancement program provides personalized business coaching to Latinx small business owners across Massachusetts who aim to increase sales, improve operations, implement digital processes, maintain healthy finances, and gain access to capital and new customers.

[Join our Directory](#)

[Join our Program](#)

Opportunities for Small Businesses



Small Business Director, Liday Rengifo, providing information about our ALX Small Business Program to El Planeta Newspaper



Counselor Gabriela Colleta, Nathalia Benitez from the City of Boston & Carmen Plazas from Mass Cultural Council.

Congratulations to East Boston Main Streets (EBMS) for hosting the 27th Annual "Taste of Eastie". For 27 years, Taste of Eastie has been East Boston's largest charity dining event, featuring nearly 30 local restaurants including Italian, Latin American, Asian & American Cuisine. Felicidades! to our client Katuska Valiente and "Peka's Restaurant" for the continued participation at this annual event.

Thanks for the support to Alberto Vasallo from El Mundo Newspaper, Mariangely Solis and Gladys Oliveros from the Mayor's Office of the City of Boston.

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Call for Boston-based businesses

Amplify LatinX is compiling a list of Latinx-owned businesses interested in becoming

procurement-ready in high-grossing contracting opportunities with the City of Boston, regardless of whether or not they are currently certified to do business with the City.

Are you interested in doing business with the City of Boston?

Professional Development Grant

AARP Foundation & USHCC

This Initiative provides small- to medium-sized companies with an opportunity to upskill their lower-earning workers who are over 50. The training is free and AARP Foundation handles all program administration.

The deadline to submit your application is September 30, 2023

[Share Your Business](#)

[Apply Here](#)



Local Opportunities



Greater Boston
Chamber of Commerce

Women's Leadership Program

Boston Chamber

Deadline: August 25

This program empowers women professionals to navigate and propel their careers to the next level while also creating the conditions for other women to thrive!



ICCC LatinX Cohort

Inner City Capital Connections

Deadline: September 12

Are you a Latinx business owner that is looking to grow and scale your business? If so, apply to participate in ICCC today!



Volunteers needed!

Enroot Education

September - June

Immigrant, BIPOC, and speakers of Spanish, Portuguese, and Haitian Creole are encourage to apply!

[Nominate](#)



5th Edition

Gran Bazar Boston

August 19, 2023

Gran Bazar Boston is dedicated to helping small businesses grow and establish strong relationships with their customers.

You will also find fun and entertainment for the whole family.

Free admission.

[Apply Today](#)



Aprendemos juntos!

Horizons for Homeless Children

September 20, 2023

Join to learn more about Horizons' work supporting the Latino community in Boston. This event will provide a firsthand look at the impact of Horizons' work with children and families. It will also be an opportunity to network with other like-minded guests

[Apply Here](#)



CommonWealth Kitchen Food Show

Commonwealth Kitchen

October 5, 2023

Looking to discover the next culinary craze, hidden gem, or emerging food trend? The Commonwealth Kitchen Food Show has you covered.

[More Info](#)

[Register Here](#)

[Get Tickets](#)



Job Opportunities



[Search Opportunities](#)

Amplify LatinX is proud to partner with Amaru to share job opportunities to our community.

Amaru makes enterprises more prosperous by promoting diversity within their workforce while also dismantling persistent economic and political disparities by elevating BIPOC to wealth-building employment opportunities.



This Month's Bookshelf

Meet the Latina using Instagram to translate bureaucracy for Bostonians

The Boston Globe

By: Marcela García

One post at a time, Elizabeth Amador is helping people navigate bureaucracies, which are difficult to understand by nature but especially so if language is a barrier.

Mendoza Ventures launches nonprofit to support underrepresented founders, funders, fellows

Biz Journals

By: Hannah Green

Mendoza Ventures announced the launch of Mendoza Impact, a nonprofit working to close the wealth gap by funding and supporting underrepresented founders, funders and fellows.

[Read Here](#)

[Read Here](#)



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Advancing a new era of Latinx prosperity.

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**HERO Bill
Written Testimony
Action Hour!**

**SEPTEMBER 13, 2023
6:00 - 7:00PM
VIA ZOOM**


Join us! We will be reviewing:
**How to write testimony urging
support for the HERO bill**

Contact us with any questions!
amartinez@dbedc.org
Lcardoso@dbedc.org

SIGN UP HERE!



tinyurl.com/913hero



HERO Bill Action Hour

Wednesday, September 13, from 6:00-7:00pm on Zoom

Join us virtually for an action hour for the HERO bill, an important policy priority which we expect to have a hearing this autumn! The HERO bill would generate hundreds of millions of dollars in funding for affordable housing and climate projects throughout the state. During this workshop, we'll go over

what the HERO bill would do if passed into law, why it's important to advocate for bills and issues you care about with legislators, and how to write written testimony to send to the leaders of the Joint Committee on Revenue (where the HERO bill is currently being reviewed) and your own political representatives. [Sign up here for the Zoom link!](#)

FICC Climate and Health Workshop about Food Justice

Thursday, September 28, 6:00-7:30pm
at Urban Farming Institute

Let's have fun, connect, and learn! Join us for our third of three interactive educational workshops this summer in the community where we will have conversations about how climate change impacts our daily lives here in Boston, and discuss simple solutions to protect ourselves and our loved ones. All are welcome to join — and please help us spread the word! Dinner & refreshments will be served!

Please [RSVP](#) so we can make sure we have enough food for everyone.

Contact: Andrealis

(amartinez@dbedc.org or 617-533-9572) with questions!

FAIRMOUNT INDIGO
CDC Collaborative

Climate & Health Workshop #3: Food Justice

Date: Thursday, September 28
Time: 6:00-7:30pm
Location: Urban Farming Institute, 487 Norfolk St, Mattapan, MA 02126
Learn more: tinyurl.com/ficc-summer-series-2023

DINNER PROVIDED!

RSVP
(appreciated but not required!)

What are some barriers/problems that exist in our communities that create food insecurity?
What are solutions?

QUESTIONS? CONTACT ANDREALIS AT AMARTINEZ@DBEDC.ORG

Codman Square Climate Justice Alliance Monthly Meeting

Thursday, September 21, 6:00-7:00pm

YOU'RE INVITED!

Join the Codman Square Climate Justice Alliance Meeting

Connect with other passionate neighbors and learn more about exciting upcoming events and opportunities!

WHERE AND WHEN?
Codman Square NDC office
587 Washington Street
or on Zoom

SEPTEMBER 21 • 6-7PM

SNACKS WILL BE PROVIDED

Find out more and RSVP at tinyurl.com/921CSCJA or scan the QR code



Connect with other passionate neighbors and learn more about exciting upcoming events and opportunities! We'll discuss a variety of topics including updates regarding our legislative priorities, upcoming events, announcements, and more! This meeting will be hybrid — meeting on Zoom and at the CSNDC office in Dorchester. [RSVP \(appreciated but not required!\) & Zoom link here.](#)

Career Fair & Open House

September 21, 4:00-7:00pm

Join Dorchester Bay EDC's Workforce Development team at the Indigo Block Community Room at 67 East Cottage St in Dorchester. Their employer partners National Grid and Thermo Fisher Scientific will also be attending and are recruiting for jobs that start at \$25 per hour with full benefits. Tell your friends!



Open House



September 21 | 4-7 p.m.
Indigo Block Community Room
67 East Cottage Street

- Hear about open jobs from companies like National Grid and Thermo Fisher Scientific (and more)!
- Roles start at \$24-\$28 per hour, some only require a high school diploma
- Opportunities to join the union for entry-level and mid-level roles, depending on experience
- DBEDC service providers will be in attendance

For more information contact:
David Chen at dchen@dbedc.org
or 617-533-9556

GUEST SPEAKERS

Greg LaVecchia and Mari Llewellyn

Co-founders, Bloom Nutrition

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September 13-14, 2023

Seattle, WA (In-person and Virtual)



Hello,

[Amazon Accelerate](#) is just around the corner, and we couldn't be more excited! This year's conference will feature a diverse lineup of speakers on the mainstage during General sessions. Joining us on the mainstage are husband and wife duo Greg LaVecchia and Mari Llewellyn! Greg and Mari started their entrepreneurship journey out of Mari's childhood bedroom, and are the co-founders of Bloom Nutrition, one of the fastest-growing supplement brands of the decade. Mari and Greg will share how they've utilized Amazon as their go-to sales channel, and how you too can Accelerate Your Growth.

Register Today

Amazon Accelerate is your destination to hear from Amazon senior leaders and special guests who will share the latest tools and products Amazon is launching, and share inspiring seller stories. In addition to Greg and Mari, below are just a few of the Amazon leaders who will also speak on the mainstage.



Dharmesh Mehta

Vice President Worldwide
Selling Partner Services



Claire O'Donnell

Director Selling Partner
Empowerment, Communities,
and Trust



Peter Larsen

VP, Buy with Prime &
Multi-Channel Fulfillment



**Mary Beth
Westmoreland**

VP, Worldwide Selling Partner
Experience

In case you missed it, our distinguished guest speaker is a CEO and award-winning actress, Tracee Ellis Ross! The founder of PATTERN Beauty will share her journey as a business leader and online seller.



Aside from the outstanding speakers featured above, this year's conference is jam-packed with opportunities to hear from many Amazon leaders and employees.

[Register Today](#)

We look forward to you joining us in September!

Amazon Accelerate Team

Wellness Space Events

Check out our new Community Wellness Space where you can enjoy in-person classes and trainings designed around your needs! We are here to help you with tips and techniques for better health and wellness so you can enjoy your journey—your healthy, your way. Sign up for classes today!



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3	Holiday	Dietitian drop-in office hours 9:00-4:00 PM	Dietitian drop-in office hours 9:00-4:00 PM	Dietitian out of office	Dietitian out of office	9
10	Dietitian drop-in office hours 9:00-4:00 PM (Roxbury Library) Qi Gong Movement and Meditation for Diabetes 12:30-2:30 (virtual) Taking Care of You, Diabetes Self-care 6:30-7:45 PM	Dietitian drop-in office hours 9:00-4:00 PM (virtual) High Blood Pressure 5:00-5:30 PM	(virtual) An Empowered Approach to Diabetes Education and Your Health 12:00-1:30 PM	Dietitian drop-in office hours 9:00-3:00 PM (virtual) Setting the Trend Straight 12:00-12:15 PM (Grove Hall Wellness Space) Wellness Talk w/ 4 Corners Yoga + Wellness 4:00-5:00 PM	Dietitian out of office	(Grove Hall Wellness Space) Yoga class 11:30-12:30 PM
17	Dietitian drop-in office hours 9:00-4:00 PM (virtual) Delicious Eating for Diabetes 6:30-7:45 PM	Dietitian drop-in office hours 9:00-4:00 PM (virtual) Navigating Diabetes: Understanding Nutrition Facts Labels 6:30-7:30 PM	20	(virtual) Nutrition Claims class 12:00-12:30 PM Dietitian drop-in office hours 1:30-4:00 PM	Dietitian conducting community nutrition program – out of office	(Grove Hall Wellness Space) Yoga class 11:30-12:30 PM
24	Dietitian drop-in office hours 9:00-4:00 PM	Dietitian drop-in office hours 9:00-4:00 PM	(virtual) Talleres de Nutrición 6:30 PM	Dietitian drop-in office hours 9:00-12:30 PM (virtual) Setting the Trend Straight 11:00-11:15 PM (virtual) High Blood Pressure class 1:30-2:00 PM	(Roxbury Community College) – Health, Wellness and Healing Forum Cooking Demo w/ Stop & Shop 4:00-6:00PM	(Roxbury Community College) – Health, Wellness and Healing Forum 12:00-6:00 PM

Stop by the Wellness Space for help with nutrition and healthy grocery shopping, to schedule a consultation or sign up for a class! If you have questions, you can reach the registered dietitian at GroveHallNutrition@stopandshop.com or call 617-427-6752.

September Programs With Stop & Shop Grove Hall Nutrition

[Grove Hall Wellness Space programs](#)

Yoga

Wellness Talk with 4 Corners Yoga + Wellness

Nutrition Claims class

High Blood Pressure class

Plant-Based Eating Across Cultures class

[Servicios de nutrición en español](#)

[Stop & Shop Nutrition Programs](#)

Diabetes Series with Stop & Shop Nutrition Partners and the Roxbury Library

- Taking Care of You - Diabetes Self Care
- <https://bpl.bibliocommons.com/events/64e38339c9bed84800e1a446>
- Qi Gong Movement and Meditation for Diabetes
- <https://bpl.bibliocommons.com/events/64e382e5c9bed84800e1a422>
- An Empowered Approach to Diabetes Education and Your Health
- <https://bpl.bibliocommons.com/events/64e38366d0f9343a00e852d6>
- Delicious Eating for Diabetes
- <https://bpl.bibliocommons.com/events/64e38ac9698898330012be6d>
- Navigating Diabetes: Understanding Nutrition Facts Labels
- <https://bpl.bibliocommons.com/events/64e38aeac9bed84800e1a5dd>

Roxbury Community College [Health, Wellness and Healing Forum](#) Cooking Demo w/
Stop & Shop dietitian
September 29th- 30th



Schedule of Events

Sunday 8/13 | 12 pm-4 pm

Welcome to Wellness Week!

- Visit the Stop & Shop mobile truck for healthy samples & giveaways
- Kids Zone in the Wellness Space offering arts & crafts, face painting and healthy snacks
- Stop & Shop Pharmacy immunizations, screenings and medication reviews

Monday 8/14 | 2 pm-3 pm

Demos, samples and giveaways

- Healthy cooking demo in our Wellness Space. Gift cards for customers! Space limited.
- Delicious "Our Picks" samples of health-conscious foods throughout the store

Tuesday 8/15 | 9 am-12 pm

Financial assistance resources

- SNAP (EBT) & WIC enrollment
- Stop & Shop hiring event—part-time shifts available, flexible scheduling, associate discount and more—fill out an application or speak with an associate

Wednesday (Miércoles) 8/16 | 11 am & 2 pm

Talleres y demostraciones de nutrición en español en el Espacio de Salud

- Demostración de alimentos "Salud y Sabor en la Cocina".
¡Tarjetas de regalo para clientes! Espacio limitado.

Thursday 8/17 | 1-4 pm

Financial assistance resources

- SNAP (EBT) & WIC enrollment
- Stop & Shop hiring event—part-time shifts available, flexible scheduling, associate discount and more—fill out an application or speak with an associate

Friday 8/18 | 11 am & 2 pm

Grocery store tours

- Grocery tours with our Nutrition Partners and Flashfood. Learn tips and tricks for shopping on a budget. Gift cards for customers! Space limited.

Saturday 8/19 | 12-3 pm

Let's get moving!

- Live music, movement and community-building from A Trike Called Funk
- Snacks and beverages in our Wellness Space
- Stop & Shop Pharmacy immunizations, screenings and medication reviews
- Engage and learn about local health & wellness organizations

To learn more, visit our Wellness Space located in the store.
Let's make health and wellness your priority!
Event hosted by Stop & Shop's Nutrition Partners.

If you attended Grove Hall Wellness Week, we had a wonderful time with you! If you missed it, you missed lots of gift card, food and snack giveaways, dancing and music and not to mention tangible resources from our health and wellness community organizations such as on the spot SNAP & WIC enrollment! There will be another chance to indulge next year, and we hope you will join us!

Thanks again to our participating artists and organizations!

- [4 Corners Yoga + Wellness](#)
- [Black Girls Run \(Boston\)](#)
- [Black Men Run \(Boston\)](#)
- [City of Boston Environment Department](#)
- [Dimock Health Center](#)
- [DJ Kitz](#)
- [Flashfood](#)
- [Imani massage](#)
- [Kaleidoscope Painters](#)
- [Project Bread](#)
- [Samaritans](#)
- [sparc! the ArtMobile](#)
- [Stop & Shop Go Rewards](#)
- [Stop & Shop Nutrition Partners](#)
- [Stop & Shop Pharmacy](#)
- [Stop & Shop Truck](#)
- [U.S. Air Force](#)
- [A Trike Called Funk](#)
- [WIC Roxbury](#)





Freedom House – Join Us for Fall Office Hours

We're thrilled to invite you to our upcoming **Fall Office Hours**, where we'll share exciting program updates and hear from our amazing scholars.

Date: September 18

Time: 01:00PM EST

Location: Zoom Webinar ([Register Here](#))

This is a fantastic opportunity to stay informed, engage with our community, and be inspired by our students' achievements.

We can't wait to see you there!

WalkMassachusetts

E-News

Date change! RSVP today for our next organized walk: Franklin Park on September 20, 5:30pm w/ Franklin Park Coalition

Every season WalkMassachusetts invites our supporters and friends to join us for free, point-to-point walks along 1-1.5 mile routes where we

hear from guest speakers who discuss local projects, area history, built environment changes, and more. It gives us a wonderful opportunity to learn new things about our neighborhoods, connect with our supporters beyond a screen, and of course, walk!

The next walk is set for Franklin Park on September 20 starting at 5:30pm. [You can RSVP here.](#) (Already RSVP'd? If you can still be there on the 20th - you're all set. If you can't make it, send us a note and we can remove you from updates about it.)



There's an in-person community open house scheduled at the same time as the initial walk, so we moved our walk so that folks can potentially attend both events. The open house is on September 19 at 5:30pm by "a coalition of local community-based organizations, led by Boston Medical Center, who are proposing a vision for a reimagined Morton Street Campus (formerly Shattuck Hospital Campus)." If you'd like to attend, it is taking place at Lena Park Community Center, 150 American Legion Hwy, Dorchester. [More info on that meeting can be found at this link](#)



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Next WalkMassachusetts Network meeting: September 20, 1pm - learn more about the Mass Central Rail Trail with Craig Della Penna

September 20, 1pm: [RSVP here](#)

Piecing together the Mass Central Rail Trail.

It is like putting Humpty Dumpty together again.

This is the longest and most complicated former RR corridor to reassemble in New England. Running from Northampton to Boston, it has been a 40+ year journey so far. It is the longest developing rail trail in New England. A report by DOT showed that that the MCRT can be completed, but it begs the question: What would a completed 100 mile long walking and biking trail mean to

the Commonwealth? We'll be joined by **Craig Della Penna**, who

has given over 1,200 lectures in 21 states on various topics related to the conversion of former RRs into linear parks known as rail trails.

Each month, we record presentations; the Q&A is not recorded as part of the session to encourage discussion. Any [recordings will be available on YouTube](#) & our [website](#) (scroll down to 'past events').

Join us for a future discussion:

October 18, 1pm: [RSVP here](#)

Vacant to Vibrant:

Creating Walkable Neighborhoods with Social Infrastructure

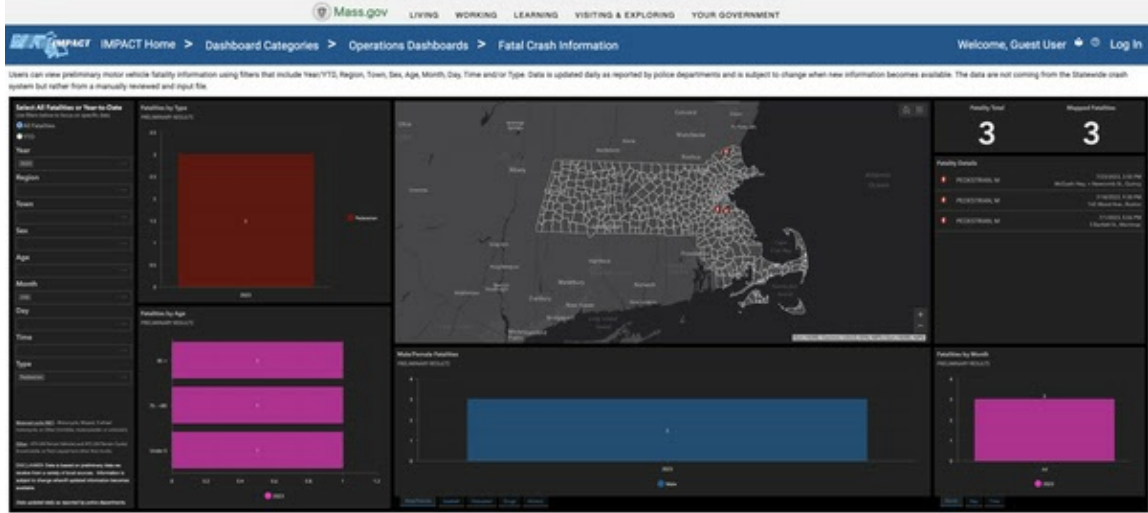
Making an area walkable requires paying attention to more than what is on the street —also critical is what happens on the edges. Having good civic spaces creates communities that are strong and resilient and neighborhoods that have accessible, walkable destinations. We'll be joined by **Aaron Greiner**, the executive director of [CultureHouse](#), who will talk about how they use a community-driven model to reimagine vacant storefronts as pop-up community spaces that meet local needs.

November 15, 1pm: [RSVP here](#)

MA Safe Routes to School

Since 2005, the federally funded [Massachusetts Safe Routes to School \(SRTS\) Program](#) has been working to increase safe biking and walking for students by using a collaborative, community-focused approach that bridges the gap between health and transportation. Join this nationally #1 ranked program of MassDOT as we discuss their latest efforts, including the recent inclusion of high schools, driver education materials, and DESE-accreditation for professional development of their pedestrian and bike safety curriculum. We'll be joined by **Judy Crocker**, Statewide Coordinator, **Massachusetts Safe Routes to School** – a program of MassDOT.

The [WalkMassachusetts Network](#) typically meets every 3rd Wednesday of each month at 1pm. Anyone can listen in and participate in monthly calls. Do you have a topic that should be discussed at a future meeting? Working on something that people should know about? [Suggestions welcome!](#)



Statewide Fatal Crashes in MA, July 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 June: three were identified as people walking.](#) In our most recent post, we looked at crashes in MA in July 2023. The information in the chart below is compiled from news reports, and was checked against the [MassDOT Crash Portal Dashboard](#) “Fatal Crash Information.” Any Google Street View images included below use the address listed in the crash portal.

- Of the 32 fatal crashes in Massachusetts in July in the MassDOT Crash portal, 3 were identified as people walking.
- The average age of pedestrians hit & killed in July was 60.
- At least 1 was a hit and run, where the driver left the scene after striking someone.
- [Read the full post on our website.](#)

Upcoming grant opportunities to fund pedestrian improvements in your community

SHARED STREETS AND SPACES

The [Shared Streets and Spaces Grant program](#) is back! The MassDOT program provides funding to municipalities and public transit authorities to quickly implement improvements to plazas, sidewalks, curbs, streets, bus stops, parking areas, and other public spaces in support of public health, safe mobility, and strengthened

commerce. ([View the compiled list of projects that have received funding](#)).

The Fiscal Year 2024 grant round of the Shared Streets and Spaces Program will officially open on September 5th. Applications are due October 31, 2023. Only municipalities and public transit authorities are eligible to apply. Applications are submitted via an online form. For more details on how to apply, visit MassDOT's [How to Apply Page](#).

SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL: Infrastructure Funding + Signs and Lines

Applications for Infrastructure Funding will be accepted from Wednesday, August 23, 2023 to Friday, October 6, 2023. Applications for Signs and Lines Projects will be accepted from Wednesday, August 23, 2023 to Friday, September 22, 2023. The SRTS Signs and Lines Program will provide design services and up to \$10,000 in construction funding to a selected municipality for a low-cost infrastructure project around a public elementary, middle, or high school. The goal of these projects is to eliminate small barriers that students encounter when walking, bicycling, or using a wheeled mobility device to get to school. Examples of a Signs and Lines Project could include the purchase and installation of new signage or pavement markings.

You can learn more about the requirements and the programs here:

[Safe Routes To School - Engineering | Mass.gov](#).

ROXBURY MAIN STREETS WOMEN'S BREAKFAST

Women-Owned Businesses: Closing the Financial Gap

We cordially invite you to attend an enlightening breakfast featuring two distinguished women who will discuss practical strategies for enhancing your small business, as well as provide valuable insights into the resources available within the City of Boston.



Hosts:
Angela Yarde and
Ronnette Taylor
with
Carrie Guscott and
Ella Howard

September 21, 2023
8:00 to 10:00 AM
Bruce Bolling Building

THE SPEAKERS



Tanisha Sullivan
President, NAACP
Boston Branch



Aliesha Porcena
Director of Small
Business, City of
Boston

Registration:
<https://womens-breakfast-roxbury-main-streets.eventbrite.com>

More information
617-541-4644

STEPRox Presents

STEPPING INTO HOPE

A Recovery Month Event

Friday, September 22, 4-7pm

Bolling Building, 2300 Washington St, 6th Floor

Roxbury, MA 02119

Whether you're new to recovery, long-term, struggling, just coming back, or simply want to lend support, recovery is for everyone; we are all in this together. Let us celebrate life, because where there's LIFE, there's HOPE.



Join us for Food, Music, Dancing, and Fun.

Certificates of Appreciation celebrating our "Hope Ambassadors," community members who help others at all stages of recovery.



STEPRox Recovery Support Center: A program of North Suffolk Community Services, funded by the Bureau of Substance Addiction Services

Boston Juneteenth Committee & the Museum of the National Center of Afro-American Artists

11th Annual **Big Head
Community
Festival**

**CELEBRATING THE MONUMENTAL ETERNAL PRESENCE
BY ROXBURY-BORN SCULPTOR, JOHN WILSON**

Theme: The City That Sways Together, Stays Together.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2023

1:00 PM Until Dusk

**AT THE MUSEUM OF THE NATIONAL CENTER
OF AFRO-AMERICAN ARTISTS**

**FOR INFORMATION: (617) 445-6902
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• **A Day of Entertainment
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- **Music from Jazz to Hip-Hop**
- **Dance from the African Diaspora
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- **Spoken Word and Reading Aloud**

• **WORKSHOPS**

**Dance
Martial Arts
Laughter Yoga
Entrepreneurship**

• **COMMUNITY VENDORS**

**Art and Artifacts
Healthy Food and Beverages**

Flyer by Rahman Olanigbohin

**MUSEUM OF THE NATIONAL CENTER OF AFRO-AMERICAN ARTISTS
300 Walnut Avenue, Roxbury, MA 02119 (www.ncaaa.org)**

The Museum of the National Center of Afro-American Artists (Museum, NCAAA) and the Boston Juneteenth Committee (BJC) are excited to announce the 11th annual Big Head Community Festival. It will take place from 1pm until dusk on Saturday, September 23, 2023, on the museum grounds at 300 Walnut Avenue, Roxbury, MA 02119. The festival is free, family-friendly and open to the public.

This year's festival theme is 'The City That Sways Together, Stays Together' highlighting MOVEMENT in all its forms—recreational, social, and artistic.

Launching a new tradition, De Ama Battle, founder and artistic director of the Art of Black Music and Dance, will receive a Lifetime Achievement recognition for her contribution to the appreciation, performance, and international research pertaining to dance of the African Diaspora. This honor captures perfectly the 2023 festival theme: The City that Sways Together, Stays Together.

The Big Head Community Festival provides an opportunity for the community to gather and celebrate its creativity, strength and resilience. Come share in live music, dance and spoken word performances. Join in martial arts demonstrations, take part in entrepreneurial workshops, and learn from exciting new historical presentations. For the children, there will be reading aloud, storytelling and face-painting activities. Vendors are an important part of the day, with local entrepreneurs selling culturally-inspired jewelry, clothes, art, books, and personal care products. Still other vendors offer a variety of delicious and delectable food and beverages. Help support local enterprises while building a communal economy.

Do you know why the Museum, NCAAA, is often called the Big Head Museum? Folks in the community refer to it that way because of the monumental sculpture on the museum green. Titled Eternal Presence and unveiled in 1987, Roxbury-born John Wilson created the magnificent artwork on commission for the NCAAA. It powerfully evokes humankind's African heritage stretching back to the ancient Nile Valley.

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At the 11th Annual Big Head Community Festival,
the National Center of Afro-American Artists
& The Boston Juneteenth Committee
are pleased to present the **2023 Lifetime Award in Black Dance**
to **De Ama Battle**, Founder and Artistic Director
of Art of Black Dance and Music,
for increasing appreciation and knowledge of African Diasporan Dance
through performance, teaching, international travel and exchanges.
Over decades of devoted work with multiple generations,
De Ama Battle has demonstrated this year's festival theme:
"The City that Sways Together, Stays Together."

Clean Slate Strategic Planning Meeting

We have great news in that the national [Clean Slate Initiative](#) is joining us and getting behind our efforts to bring automatic sealing to Massachusetts.

To that end, they will join us at a strategic planning meeting to develop our action plan. The legislation is pending in the Judiciary Committee and we expect a hearing

at the State House in the fall.

Date: Monday September 25.2023

Time: Tentatively 1pm to 2:30 or 3pm

How: Zoom or hybrid in-person/zoom.

Bonus: Scroll below and click articles in the Boston Bar Journal by **Professor David Siegal** and **Crispin Birnbaum** on the need for greater and easier use of sealing and benefits of automatic sealing

Special Edition 2023: Community Justice Reimagined

[Sealing and Expungement in Massachusetts: Opportunities for Reform](#)

By Crispin Birnbaum

[Automate What Works – A Proposal to Seal Criminal Records and Grow the Workforce with Clean Slate](#)

By David Seigel

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Alliance Policymakers Series featuring Secretary Yvonne Hao Executive Office of Economic Development

Wednesday, September 27, 2023

11:30 am - 1:00 pm

Salem State University

Harrington Campus

Marsh Hall - Petrowski Room

71B Loring Avenue, Salem, MA

FREE

Secretary Hao will provide an update of the

Economic Development priorities and progress of the Healey-Driscoll Administration.

(Registration is required to attend.)

[Register Now](#)

Can we count on you to **SPONSOR** the
CommonWealth Kitchen Food Show
and help build a just, equitable, resilient food economy
where everyone can participate and prosper?

Thursday, October 5th, 2023

11-7

SoWa Power Station
550 Harrison Ave, Boston



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**A report from the
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Food Show**

Boston Seaport | June 9, 2022



Food is our Passion. Equity is our Mission.
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Sponsorship Opportunities

Join Commonwealth Kitchen, Boston's nonprofit food business incubator, as we once again bring together Greater Boston's most creative, innovative, and diverse food entrepreneurs for a full day of events at the SoWa Power Station.

- **Private Industry Show:** During the day, businesses will showcase their products and services to hundreds of food industry buyers looking for the latest food and beverages, followed by a private networking happy hour for buyers and vendors.
- **Public Soiree:** A fun evening to shop, eat, drink, and celebrate Boston's diverse culinary talent.

Be part of Boston's most exciting food experience! Our food show fuses local talent, global influences and raw passion to showcase a delicious array of food offerings. Sponsorship of this event will align your brand with Commonwealth Kitchen's reputation for excellence and innovation and its mission to create a more equitable and inclusive food economy.

Celebrate the diverse people and flavors that make Boston wicked awesome!

In 2022, over 1000 attendees sampled treats from entrepreneurs from Springfield to Dorchester in a mouthwatering celebration of food and culture.

Don't miss out in 2023!

Sign up by June 15 to be included in all materials. commonwealthkitchen.org/foodshow/sponsor

WHEN

October 5, 2023

WHERE

SoWa Power Station
550 Harrison Ave in the South End

WHO

85+ of Greater Boston's most creative, innovative, and diverse food entrepreneurs including food trucks, bakers, sauce-makers, beverage producers, caterers, and brewers!

90% are BIPOC-owned and/or women-owned.

1000+ attendees

WHAT

Two events in one high-energy day!

- ✓ **Daytime:** An industry-only show for 400+ buyers, distributors, event planners, and more. Plus a networking happy hour.
- ✓ **Evening:** Doors open to the public for shopping, dining, and drinks from local vendors.



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We're on a mission to build an equitable, sustainable food economy grounded in racial, social and economic justice.

January 2023

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&
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OCTOBER
2023
7:00 PM



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Story Design by Emmy award winner Wyatt Jackson
Writer and Executive Produced Robby Thomas

LOCATION

Strand Theatre
543 Columbia Road
Boston, MA 02125

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through the performing and visual arts.

Strand Theatre

543 Columbia Road,
Dorchester MA

October 6th & 7th 2023

7.00pm - EST



What audiences are saying



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“Must see!!”

“Breathtaking!!”

“Uplifting!!”

“I was blown away!!”

“Relevant!!”

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**OCTOBER 28, 2023
9-2PM**

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