

SBANP Monthly Meeting Minutes

Date & Time	Tuesday, June 13, 2023 @ 9:30AM
Goal	SBANP Meeting
Next Meeting	

Agenda

Sherry Dong and Jerrett Jones from Tufts Medical Center's Community Benefits and Community Health Initiatives Program will be joining our meeting to discuss the work Tufts MC has completed this past year and their current initiatives.

Bob Monahan will also be joining to share updates on the important work of MA Action for Justice – and 'The Busing Battleground', a PBS American Experience, scheduled to air on Sept 11th – as this relates to our Courageous Conversations work.

Notes

Sherry Dong-have done updates on community health needs process and would like to continue with transparency during evolution of this project.

-Updates hopefully will happen once a year to inform the public on what results these initiatives have yielded

Jerrett Jones (PowerPoint attached to the email)

-Fiscal Year began Oct. 21 and their data collection began in January 2022 which guided their approach on how to best serve the South Boston community moving forward. Also on how to work with community leaders and non profit organizations in partnership on how best to serve the people living in South Boston.

-In May 2023 and report was sent to the City of Boston, IRS and IG in transparency so everyone knows their process and how funding is being distributed to the public and used as well.

Response to the Covid Pandemic

-Tufts safeguarded our community by having walk-in clinics, providing free tests, test kits, and administering over 38,000 vaccinations. Help curb the spread of the virus and promote community wellbeing.

-Substance Use Disorder: 623 individuals received counseling, therapy, medical, interventions and workforce development

-Helped residents have work, financial literacy and help at risk youths in mental health and violence prevention Partnered with the Quincy department to participate in their Stop the Bleed Campaign and also worked with Seniors in the AgeStrong Campaign (Education and medical care to older adults).

Tobacco prevention training to particularly address to the Asian American Community

South Boston Community Concerns

-Substance Abuse, Safety, Housing

-20 grantees were selected to address these issues and some will be working together

-Priority Areas: Chinatown, Dorchester, South End, South Boston

-Will serve 8500 people annually

-Tufts and the Gavin Foundation have been long term partners for a while and both have benefited including the surrounding communities.

Bob Monahan (chrimclover76@gmail.com)

PBS American Experience“‘The Busing Battleground” (Boston)

-September will be the 50th anniversary of the end of busing segregation.

-City wide forums are planned to discussion that decision and the impact it had on the community and residents

-These forums are still in the planning stages but locations have been confirmed

-Court House (Topic: Federal Court Decision that school were unconstitutionally segregated)

-Boston Public Library (Topic: Legacy of segregation and busing in Boston)

Part 1 10:30am-12:00pm

Part 2 12:30pm-2:30pm

<https://www.pbs.org/about/about-pbs/blogs/news/pbs-and-american-experience-announce-two-documentaries/>

-Providence Town Film Festival found out about the documentary and will have an early release. Bob will attend a gauge audience reaction to how overall it will be received.

-The Board will meet and discuss how this topic will be addressed to the public

-American Experiences were intrigued about our response to the death of George Floyd and our Courageous Conversations forum in response to that.

-Courageous Conversations will continue and more info will be provided soon

-Might foster some summer reading on the topic of busing and the Boston roots towards the subject

Lisa Searcy (Lisa.Searcy@boston.gov Erin.Murphy@boston.gov 617-635-3115)

-glad to hear about all the work being done to better the South Boston Community and would love to help continue the conversations

-Senator Collins, Councillor Baker and Councillor Murphy have supported a filing of a bill to approve a floating hospital to address Mass and Cass needs in our area

-Budget Season: please reach out if your initiatives need funding. It could happen especially during this time.

-The redistricting map is complete:

<https://www.boston.com/news/local-news/2023/05/24/boston-city-council-approves-new-redistricting-map/>

Please subscribe to Erin Murphy’s newsletter <https://conta.cc/3MP1yM8>

SBANP website is being updated. Hopefully you can see it soon!

Organization Name	Agency Updates	Important Dates
South Boston Neighborhood House		Playdates on the Beach Carson Beach (July 17 & August 8th) Ollie Polooza (Moakley Park) August 17th

		<p>Diaper Depot (Combined Dates) June 28, 2023 (Wednesday) 10PM-1PM & 3PM-6PM *(Thank you to the Gavin Foundation for helping unload diapers every month)</p>
<p>Julie's Family</p>	<p>-Tufts development workshops will be happening at Julies -Summer Programming beginning mid-July for high school equivalency. https://www.juliesfamily.org/adult-basic-education-services/</p> <p>-GED and Hi-set courses will be offered at Julie's now (Tech Computers Inc.) https://techcomputersinc.com/</p>	
<p>SPOKE</p>	<p>-They were able to get funding from the success link mentioned in the last meeting to the Workforce Development Youth Program -29 youths will participate</p> <p>-Recruiting youths to join their program right now at No Man's Land to study different forms of art. Please contact SPOKE of any youths that might be interested</p> <p>Spoke Contact Information mdowling@spokesrt.org lfrazier@spokearrt.org</p>	
<p>Boston Harbor Now</p>	<p>Summer Programming -Carson Beach (Wednesday Evenings for 4 weeks) -The in Moakley Park on Wednesday Evenings for 4 weeks</p> <p>Upcoming Events: https://www.bostonharbornow.org/events/</p>	<p>South Boston Community Cruise Thursday, June 29, 2023</p>
<p>Gavin Foundation</p>	<p>-Beginning to use an app called Dynamic Care (Help during the</p>	

	<p>substance care and contingency management)</p> <p>Contingency Management is an evidence-based treatment that provides motivational incentives to treat individuals living with stimulant use disorder and support their path to recovery</p> <p>https://www.dynamicarehealth.com/</p> <p>-Some of their members signed up for the South Boston Community Cruise. That will be fun and their participants are looking forward to it.</p>	
<p>South Boston En Accion</p>	<p>-Monday 1pm-3pm Asian Cafe run by the West Broadway Task Force</p> <p>Community Game Nights (West Broadway & Mary Ellen McCormack)</p> <p>-beginning last day of BPS schools -Mary Ellen McCormack (Sterling Square) and West Broadway at the terrace area</p> <p>Free Football Program https://www.facebook.com/photo?fbid=644701234365988&set=a.558042263031886</p>	
<p>South Boston Neighborhood Development Corporation (SBNDC)</p>	<p>-South Boston residents care about their community and climate education was a priority concern according to a survey SBANP conducted before COVID began. In response, an intern was hired on this topic.</p> <p>-Welcome Lauren Higgins. She is our new Climate Action Intern. She is a Political Science major from MIT. She will address climate risks, climate change and hopefully empower community members including youths on political issues, activism and how</p>	<p>Farmers Market Mondays 11AM-5PM *SNAP, EBT and HIP is accepted</p>

	<p>their vote can preserve their environment.</p> <p>-Would like to work with SBANP members on summer programming on the topic of Climate Education.</p> <p>-Starting in July some agencies are giving out coupons from the City of Boston, to low-income families to buy more fresh produce at the markets.</p>	
St. Monica-St. Augustine Catholic Church	-Food Pantry is serving 251 people a week	<p>Peace Picnic June 21, 2023</p> <p>Food Pantry Thursdays : 9:30 am - 1:00 p.m. St. Monica's Lower Church Hall</p>
West Broadway Task Force	<p>-Computer Class 15 weeks and already have 20 people registered</p> <p>-Coffee Hour (Every Wednesday)</p> <p>-Senior Special (Thursday)</p> <p>-Welcome Kimberly Parker (Property Manager) to the membership</p> <p>-She is looking forward to working with the memberships and please send her flyers and information so that she can share.</p> <p>Kimberly Parker kparker@jmcandco.com</p>	
Mary Ellen McCormack Task Force		<p>Unity Day Saturday, July 22, 2023 12pm-4pm</p> <p>Fresh Truck (Thursday) Sterling Square</p> <p>Brigham and Women's Hospital Community Vans *health screenings</p>
Children Of Alcoholism And Substance Abuse (COASA)	<p>-Openings are available for Camp COASA (Ages 7-17)</p> <p>Flyer:https://www.facebook.com/photo?fbid=636033048566140&set</p>	Camp COASA Begins July 24 (Free) (Laboure Center)

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<p>Tufts Grant (Update) Erin LaMonica</p>	<p>-Worked w/ Fourth Presbyterian Church and Burns and his team (support group sessions twice a month).</p> <p>-Tracking who is attending and trying to expand engagement</p> <p>-Hoping to expand into O'Connor Way and give additional support there</p> <p>-Film Series: Next month partnering with the South Boston Branch Library and Maureen McGlame to do a viewing with a discussion piece to promote a better understanding on substance abuse and those that it affects</p> <p>-Professional Development Opportunity (Thursday, June 22nd)</p> <p>-Colleen Sharka, LMHC and Associate Director of Roxbury Presbyterian Church Social Impact Center, presents, "<i>Why is everyone so angry? Understanding Trauma and Healing.</i>"</p> <p>-(Fall) Celebrating Family Series at the Laboure Center (Sept-Dec) This will be weekly family group sessions on how to better communicate with each other. (Monday Evening)</p> <p>-A Tufts Committee is recruiting right now.</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">-To help guide and create workshops that would benefit the South Boston Community. It would be monthly meetings and more organization input on SB needs.</p>	<p>Professional Development Thursday, June 22 1:00-3:00pm *Lunch Provided</p>