Harvard University’s Community Engagement in the City of Boston

Harvard University is committed to a nonprofit mission of teaching and research and to applying that mission to the common good and betterment of our neighbors and communities around the world. Through education and exploration, collaborations and partnerships that address regional priorities, and hundreds of community-serving programs, Harvard remains committed to supporting a healthy and vibrant Boston.

Collaborative and Responsive Community-Serving Programs

Across campus, Harvard is continuously engaged in programs and initiatives that are beneficial to Boston residents and build upon a shared vision of what it means to live, learn, and thrive in the City. The programs include educational and advancement opportunities for Boston Public Schools, career exploration, mentoring, and internships for youth, critical health and legal services, support for local nonprofits and work within City departments, and maintenance of public parks and pathways. These programs reach thousands of residents across Boston and are constantly evolving to respond to the current needs of the community. Collectively, they reflect the deep rooted commitment of Harvard faculty, students, and staff to make a positive impact on society.

Separate and apart from these initiatives, the University also manages more than $70 million in community programs connected to institutional development in Allston. Thoughtfully identified through a community process, these benefits include, but are not limited to: the Harvard Ed Portal, which delivers hundreds of public programs each year, including in the arts, workforce and economic development, health and wellness, and mentoring and youth programming; the Harvard Allston Partnership Fund, which has provided more than $1.3 million in grants to Allston-Brighton nonprofits; and funding for public realm projects that enhance the physical and cultural landscapes of the neighborhood.

Harvard’s Programming Throughout the COVID-19 Pandemic

The COVID-19 pandemic impacted the University’s operations and many programs across campus. Due to the public safety restrictions, during FY21, some programs could not run at full capacity and others were forced to shut down for a period of time. Most programs were re-envisioned online and new ones were launched to respond to changing needs in real time. Some of these initiatives include:

- Resources and programs for Boston Public Schools, including professional development courses for educators from the Harvard Graduate School of Education and free tutoring and mentoring for BPS high school students from Harvard’s Public School Partnerships team.
- Free legal services and referrals from Harvard Law School’s Clinical and Pro Bono Programs on a wide range of issues, including housing, government benefits, taxes, and consumer rights.
- The Family Van, a mobile health clinic affiliated with Harvard Medical School, dedicated to increasing access to health care and educational resources for Boston residents. In the past year, The Van expanded services to include community outreach around the safety of the COVID vaccine and connect people to appointments.
- Harvard University Allston-Brighton Emergency Response Grants that provided immediate financial support to Boston nonprofit organizations to continue delivering essential services.

PILOT & Property Tax Payments

As a collaborative and reliable partner, Harvard maintains a long record of making voluntary payments-in-lieu-of-tax to the City of Boston. Over the last 10 years, Harvard’s PILOT payments total more than $30 million. The University also pays taxes on property it owns that does not support a tax-exempt purpose. In the past decade, Harvard has paid more than $72 million in property taxes to the City of Boston. In addition, Harvard pays for city services like water, sewer, permit, and other fees. In FY21, these payments total more than $5 million to the City of Boston.

Support for Boston Students Enrolled at Harvard College

The University’s tax-exempt status allows it to operate one of the most innovative and generous financial aid programs in the country, with a direct benefit to Boston residents. Through the Harvard Financial Aid Initiative, families with incomes below $65,000 (1-in-5 undergraduates) pay nothing for their child’s education, and families with incomes less than $150,000 pay no more than 10 percent of their income. During the 2020-2021 academic year, 144 Boston residents were enrolled at Harvard College and 83 of those students received a combined $4.47 million in financial aid. In the past 10 years, Harvard College students from Boston have received $37 million in grant aid from Harvard.

Support for City Departments

In addition to supporting academic opportunities for undergraduate and graduate students, Harvard is committed to partnerships that enable public service across Boston, including financial support for a range of fellowships that allow Harvard students to work alongside City employees. For the 6th year, Harvard has provided support for the Harvard Presidential City of Boston Fellowship, which funds a recent
Harvard College graduate to work full-time as a public service fellow in the Mayor’s Office.

**Economic Impact**
Harvard’s day-to-day operations and research enterprise contribute to the vitality of the local economy. The University employs more than 3,300 Boston residents who collectively received more than $367 million in competitive pay and industry-leading benefits over the course of FY21. Last year, the University supported Boston-based businesses and organizations with more than $939 million in spending. Additionally, every year, the University attracts hundreds of millions in research funding to Boston, fueling science, medical discoveries, and further spending in the regional economy.

**Partnering to Address Regional Challenges**
Harvard’s commitments to the City of Boston are also reflected in the partnerships aimed at addressing some of the region’s most pressing challenges. For example, Harvard co-chairs the Higher Education Working Group of the Boston Green Ribbon Commission, a group of business, institutional, and civic leaders working to provide advice and counsel to the City of Boston on the design and implementation of its Climate Action Plan. With more than 220 courses on climate change, energy, and sustainability, the University is also committed to confronting climate change by finding solutions for a fossil fuel-free future that can be scaled by other cities and countries.

Harvard also works to preserve and create affordable housing, complementing the region’s response to local housing needs. In 2019, the University recommitted its financial support to the Harvard Local Housing Collaborative, a partnership with its host communities and three local nonprofit community development organizations that seeks to create and preserve affordable housing, build and revitalize healthy communities, and create economic opportunities for residents throughout the Greater Boston region. Over the past two decades, the initiative has helped finance more than 7,000 units of affordable housing, including over 5,500 units in Boston.

The following pages provide examples of the many impactful community programs and initiatives that reach thousands of residents across the City of Boston. While not all-inclusive, this list is representative of the continually evolving collaborations between the University, community and nonprofit partners, and the City of Boston, and helps underscore the meaningful ways in which Harvard’s nonprofit mission extends to our neighbors.

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The Arnold Arboretum, for example, offers programs for BPS students, grades Pre-K–5, to investigate biodiversity in the meadows, ponds, and woodlands, and engage in hands-on exploration of organisms and seasonal phenomena. The Arboretum coordinates with teachers to make sure the content supports classroom learning goals. The programs also align with Boston Public School Life Science study and Massachusetts Science, Technology, and Engineering Standards.

Similarly, Harvard Medical School’s AP Biology Hinton Scholars, an after-school enrichment program, provides BPS high school students the opportunity to get hands-on experience with AP Biology–related science labs, learn from Harvard medical and graduate students, attend biomedical conferences and panel discussions, and develop a better understanding of biology concepts and career opportunities in the field.

Another Harvard Medical School program, the Health Professions Recruitment & Exposure Program, expands learning opportunities for underrepresented Boston area high school students. The program aims to recruit students into science by providing them with academic support and facilitated conversations with students in medical, dental, and pharmacy schools.

MEDscience, an innovative high school science curriculum program, also expands opportunities for BPS students, by giving them the ability to bring science to life through hands-on mock clinical cases and classroom lessons conducted at Harvard Medical School.

With many more programs across campus, this listing is only a sample of the opportunities for BPS students to access STEM programs at Harvard, develop new ways of learning, and be inspired to pursue a career in the sciences.

**SPOTLIGHT ON:**
Expanding Access to STEM Educational Programs for Boston Public Schools Students

Harvard University offers many educational and mentorship programs in the STEM field for Boston Public Schools (BPS) that aim to expand opportunities to learn and to be inspired by the study of sciences.

**BY THE NUMBERS**

8,000+
BPS students reached through the Arboretum’s educational programs in the past five years

2,300+
BPS high school students have participated in the AP Biology Hinton Scholars Program, Health Professions Recruitment & Exposure Program, and MEDscience in the past five years
Public School Partnerships
Harvard University

**Impact:** More than 1,300 Boston student participants were reached through PSP programming in FY21.

As an extension of the University’s educational mission, Harvard’s Public School Partnerships (PSP) team develops responsive and innovative programming for Boston and Cambridge educators, students, and families. PSP works directly in collaboration with local schools, community organizations, and families to design meaningful initiatives, events, and opportunities that foster children’s social, emotional, and intellectual skills. PSP’s programming and resources stem from across Harvard schools and departments, including the Harvard Graduate School of Education, to help meet the needs of Boston Public Schools (BPS). The team offers a wide range of programs for Boston youth across numerous subject areas such as homework support, STEM, college and career awareness, and the arts. The team also provides professional development opportunities for BPS educators and administrators by connecting them to Harvard researchers, faculty, and students that seek to meet the needs of student populations throughout Boston. To respond to the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic, the PSP team re-envisioned some of the programs online, launching new activities that expanded learning opportunities for youth, including virtual peer mentoring and tutoring for high school students.

Crimson Summer Academy
Harvard University

**Impact:** 45 students from 21 Boston schools attended the Crimson Summer Academy in FY21.

The Crimson Summer Academy (CSA) is an innovative educational program for underserved high school students who have a passion for learning and a desire to excel. Over the course of three consecutive summers, students from public schools in Boston, Cambridge, and Somerville engage in a stimulating mix of classes and receive instruction and close mentoring relationships with Harvard College undergraduates that help expand their vision of what’s possible. Ninety-four percent of CSA graduates go on to complete college in four years. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, CSA shifted programming online and did not run at full-capacity. In FY21, the program served 58 students, including 45 from Boston. FY21 costs attributable to Boston students total $1,045,200 which includes program operation costs, room and board, as well as enrollment in Harvard Summer School courses.

AP Biology Hinton Scholars Program
Harvard Medical School

**Impact:** 88 Boston Public Schools students participated in the program in FY21.

The AP Biology Hinton Scholars Program is an after-school enrichment program designed to enhance students’ understanding of AP Biology concepts, provide laboratory exposure, and increase knowledge about careers in science throughout the academic year. Program components include hands-on AP Biology-related science labs; test preparation for the AP Biology exam; small group tutoring led by Harvard medical and graduate students; enhancement of students’ speaking and writing skills; access to Harvard lectures, conferences, researchers, and faculty; and career panel discussions in the biomedical sciences. 1,442 Boston Public Schools students have participated in this program since 2003.

AP Biology Teacher Callbacks
Harvard Medical School

**Impact:** Five Boston Public Schools teachers received professional development in FY21.

AP Biology Teacher Callbacks are designed for AP Biology teachers and are open to all Boston Public Schools science teachers. Teachers engage in quarterly AP Biology professional development workshops, seminars, best teaching practices exchanges, lectures, and lab exercises facilitated by Harvard Medical School faculty, staff, and students. 139 Boston teachers have participated in the program since it first began.

James Bryant Conant Fellowship
Harvard Graduate School of Education

**Impact:** Four Boston Public Schools teachers were awarded more than $224,000 in scholarship aid in FY21.

The James Bryant Conant Fellowship fund was established to support the professional growth of outstanding teachers and administrators from within Boston Public Schools and Cambridge Public Schools who are accepted to Harvard Graduate School of Education (HGSE) degree programs. Fellows are required to return to or remain in their school systems for a minimum of one year after completing the HGSE program.
Professional Education Programs
Harvard Graduate School of Education

Impact: 36 Boston Public Schools educators reached in FY21.

The Harvard Graduate School of Education offers a robust portfolio of practical learning experiences designed for K–12 educators, school- and district-level leaders, as well as professionals at education-support organizations. In FY21, HGSE provided funding for 36 BPS educators to attend the programs.

Scholarships for Boston Students and Teachers
Harvard Division of Continuing Education

Impact: Nine Boston high school students and teachers received more than $21,000 in scholarship aid in FY21.

The Harvard Division of Continuing Education provides secondary school students from Boston, as well as BPS middle and high school teachers, with scholarships to take coursework at the Harvard Extension School. These credits help teachers further professional development goals and allow students to take college coursework while in high school. Scholarship programs include: the Lowell Scholarship, DCE Secondary School Scholarship, and the Brian J. Honan Scholarship.

Public and Educational Programming
Harvard Museums of Science & Culture

Impact: 291 Boston students participated in free educational programming in FY21.

The Harvard Museums of Science & Culture (HMSC) is a partnership of four Harvard museums designed to coordinate captivating programming for visitors of all ages, permanent galleries, and dynamic rotating exhibits. HMSC provides free and discounted admission to Massachusetts residents, teachers, and individuals who present Electronic Benefits Transfer cards. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Harvard Museums of Science & Culture were closed during FY21. However, free educational programming was offered virtually, and 291 students from Boston participated.

American Repertory Theater (A.R.T.)
Harvard University

Impact: More than 740 Boston residents received over $23,000 in free or subsidized admission and access to A.R.T programming in FY21.

As the professional theater on campus the American Repertory Theater at Harvard University catalyzes discourse, interdisciplinary collaboration, and creative exchange among a wide range of academic departments, institutions, students, and faculty members, acting as a conduit between its community of artists and the University. Through affordable tickets, theater skill-building workshops and classes, project-based partnerships, public dialogue, and more, the A.R.T. deepens connections to live theater for audiences of all ages. In FY21, the A.R.T. provided discounted tickets to more than 740 Boston residents, including students, teachers, veterans, and community organizations. With COVID-19 affecting programming, the numbers generally represent lower than average participation.

Arnold Arboretum
Harvard University

Impact: Harvard’s operating budget for the Arboretum included $10.8 million to support maintenance, free public education programming, park operations, library and living collection, and the visitor’s center.

A living museum containing 16,000 trees, shrubs, and vines collected during the past century from Asia, Europe, and North America, the Arnold Arboretum is one of Boston’s largest green spaces and draws hundreds of thousands of visitors each year. The Arboretum was founded in 1872 as a public-private partnership between the City of Boston and Harvard University and continues to serve as both a research institution and publicly accessible open space. Through its unique relationship with the City of Boston, the Arboretum is committed to improving local science education and designs programming to support and supplement the curriculum of Boston Public Schools. The programs align with BPS priorities around life sciences and the Massachusetts Science and Technology/Engineering Curriculum. In addition, the Arboretum serves as a community resource for educators and through its Educators Monthly Explorations, delivers professional development opportunities to elementary and middle school teachers, introducing them to life sciences and the landscape as an outdoor classroom.

Public Realm Maintenance
Harvard University

Impact: More than $142,000 spent in support of public realm maintenance in FY21.

Harvard is committed to projects that enhance the public realm, including snow removal, improvements and maintenance in public parks and open space, neighborhood beautification, streetscape improvements, and public art. These projects are separate and
apart from the University’s contractual agreements with the City of Boston. Support for public improvements in FY21 included community landscape, park maintenance, and snow clean up.

+ CLINICS

Clinical and Pro Bono Programs
Harvard Law School

Impact: More than 1,200 low-income Boston residents received pro bono legal aid in FY21.

Every year, the Clinical and Pro Bono Programs – a collection of 49 in-house clinics, externship clinics, and student practice organizations – provide free legal services and referrals to low-income individuals who would otherwise be unable to afford a lawyer. In FY21, Harvard Law School faculty and students helped Boston residents on issues ranging from housing, family law, domestic violence, taxes, consumer protection, government benefits, criminal defense, special education, immigration, and bankruptcy. The operating budget attributable to work on Boston cases totaled more than $5 million. The Clinical and Pro Bono Programs are constantly responding to client and community needs, often partnering with a wide range of local community organizations to deliver services. The graduating class of 2021 completed more than 393,000 pro bono hours, an average of 662 hours per student over the course of three years.

The Family Van
Harvard Medical School

Impact: 990 Boston residents received free health screenings in FY21.

The Family Van is a mobile clinic affiliated with Harvard Medical School that is dedicated to increasing access to health care, health resources, and various social services. Designed in collaboration with community partners over 29 years ago, the Van provides free preventive health screenings and education, serving people who often encounter cultural and language barriers to the traditional health care system. During the COVID-19 pandemic, The Van sought to educate people about the vaccine, its safety, eligibility, and connection to appointments. The Van regularly sees patients in some of Boston’s underserved communities, mainly in Dorchester, East Boston, and Roxbury, carrying out curbside testing, health coaching, and referrals for follow-up care. In FY21, The Van expanded services to reach Boston residents in Mattapan and Hyde Park. By traveling directly to areas in which the need is greatest, The Family Van fosters an atmosphere of trust and removes barriers to care. Harvard contributed $248,776 to operate the program, which helped provide free health screenings during 1,548 visits.

Harvard Dental Center Teaching Practice
Harvard School of Dental Medicine

Impact: More than 1,000 Boston residents received dental services in FY21.

The Harvard School of Dental Medicine (HSDM) provides a public facing dental practice where care is provided by predoctoral students under the supervision of HSDM faculty. Services in the teaching practice are open to the public and subsidized by HSDM, costing patients approximately 30–40 percent less than fees typical of a private dental practice. In FY21, the Dental Center absorbed over $1 million in costs associated with below-market fees and pro bono care, $500,000 of which was attributable to Boston residents.

SUPPORT FOR BOSTON NONPROFITS AND CITY GOVERNMENT

Harvard Presidential City of Boston Fellowship
Harvard University

The Harvard Presidential City of Boston Fellowship provides funding for a recent Harvard College graduate to work as a public service fellow in the Mayor’s Office. In collaboration with City officials, fellows work full-time for a year to manage and execute projects in various issue areas and engage Boston residents through a range of community-based efforts. Since it was launched in 2016, the program has continued to support a pipeline to civic oriented career development opportunities and to encourage students to make a difference through public service.

Rappaport Institute for Greater Boston Public Policy Summer Fellowship
Harvard Kennedy School

Impact: The Rappaport Institute supported the work of four City of Boston offices and departments in FY21.

The Rappaport Institute strives to improve the governance of Greater Boston by strengthening connections between the region’s scholars, students, and civic leaders. A University-wide entity housed at the Harvard Kennedy School (HKS), the Institute encourages graduate students to spend part of their careers in public service through a paid, 10-week summer internship in key state and local agencies.
Rappaport Institute for Greater Boston
Boston Urban Scholars
Harvard Kennedy School

Since 1981, the Boston Urban Fellowship has provided full-tuition scholarships that have allowed more than 30 elected and appointed officials from greater Boston to attend the Kennedy School of Government’s Mid-Career Master in Public Administration program. After graduation, appointed officials must return to public service in the greater Boston area for a minimum of two years.

Greater Boston Applied Field Lab
Harvard Kennedy School

An experiential-learning lab course, the Greater Boston Applied Field Lab course connects Harvard Kennedy School students to local community and government projects. In FY21, a team of students worked with the City of Boston on stormwater mitigation, including financial, policy, and legal analyses in support of environmental equity and community involvement in climate policy.

Support for the City of Boston Mayoral Transition
Harvard Kennedy School

In collaboration with the Kennedy School’s Taubman Center for State and Local Government, the Rappaport Institute for Greater Boston often supports municipal and local transitions in policy, technical, and administrative matters. In FY21, a team of six Harvard Kennedy School students helped Mayor Kim Janey’s Transition Committee, which led to the April 2021 report: Kim Janey Mayoral Transition Subcommittee Recommendations.

HBS Leadership Fellows
Harvard Business School

The Leadership Fellows program offers nonprofit and public sector organizations the opportunity to leverage the experience, expertise, and skills of Harvard’s MBA students for one year with a salary subsidized by the Harvard Business School. In FY21, two fellows were placed at the Boston Planning and Development Agency and the City of Boston.

Community Service Fellowship Program
Harvard Graduate School of Design

Fellows of the Community Service Fellowship program are graduate design students placed with local nonprofits and government agencies. While working for these organizations, students help to advance projects that address public needs and community concerns. This funding allows fellows to provide design services to the community — accounting for work that organizations would otherwise need to fund through their own budgets. In FY21, fellowship funding supported students who worked at two Boston-based organizations: Asian Community Development Corporation and Boston Harbor Now.

Harvard Joint Center for Housing Studies Summer Fellowship Program
Harvard Graduate School of Design

The Harvard Joint Center for Housing Studies supports community service fellowships for Harvard students obtaining internships or other volunteer opportunities with nonprofit organizations focused on housing, the built environment, and/or community development. In FY21, fellowship funding supported students who worked at the MASS Design Group, Greater Grove Hall Main Streets, and the City of Boston.

Leaders in Health Community Training Program
Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health

Impact: Four Boston-based community and government organizations received training in FY21.

The eight-week Leaders in Health program provides training in public health research and science to strengthen existing community health initiatives. The program is designed to build the concrete skills of community activists, local health department employees, and practitioners from community-based organizations through discussion-based activities. Participants attend interactive training sessions, complete assignments, and receive support to create an action plan to enhance their work. To date, the program has trained more than 60 community practitioners.

Rose Service Learning Fellowship
Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health

The Rose Service Learning Fellowship supports students and postdoctoral fellows at the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health in service learning projects. Students use academic knowledge and skills to address community needs, working in partnership with local organizations. In FY21, the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health funded students who worked at the Boston Children’s Hospital, Dana Farber Cancer Institute, and Health Care for All.
Greater Boston Summer Internship Assistance Fund
Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health

The Greater Boston Summer Internship Assistance Fund provides financial support to Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health students to work with community-based public health organizations. In the FY21 inaugural year, the program provided funding that supported the work of two Boston-based organizations: Obesity Prevention Center at Boston Children’s Hospital and the Dana Farber Cancer Institute.

Student Field Practice
Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health

Impact: 71 students supported the work of 24 Boston-based organizations through 13,320 hours of field practice in FY21.

As part of the Master of Public Health program, Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health students are required to complete a field practice experience, designed jointly by the students and their preceptors at a host organization, to advance the work of the organization as well as provide a real-world learning experience for students.

EMPLOYMENT

Summer Youth Employment Program
Harvard University

In partnership with the Mayor’s Summer Jobs Program in Boston and the Private Industry Council, the Harvard Summer Youth Employment Program hires Boston teens for six-week summer jobs in various office positions and as lab and library assistants across Harvard University. In addition to earning money, teens participate in job shadowing days and weekly educational seminars aimed at preparing them for both future careers and further education.

Year Up
Harvard University

Impact: 11 Boston residents received skills development and job training at Harvard University in FY21.

Year Up is a one-year intensive training program that provides low-income young adults, ages 18 to 24, with a combination of hands-on skills development, course work eligible for college credit, and corporate internships. Since Harvard first partnered with Year Up more than 15 years ago, the University has hired approximately 280 interns into permanent or temporary positions.

HMS MEDscience
Harvard Medical School

Impact: 488 students from 14 Boston Public Schools participated in the program in FY21.

MEDscience is an innovative high school science curriculum that provides Boston Public Schools students with the opportunity to bring science to life through hands-on mock clinical cases and classroom lessons conducted at Harvard Medical School. The program addresses the inspiration gap in the science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) fields and engages traditionally underserved and underrepresented youth.

Skills Workshops for College and High School Students
Harvard Medical School

The Skills Workshops provide opportunities for students, particularly underrepresented individuals, to learn about the application process for college, medical and graduate schools, interviewing skills, resume writing, financial aid, summer and internship opportunities and transitioning from two to four year colleges. This past year, workshops for high school students included: “Getting into College and Succeeding,” “Finances and Your Education,” “Community College Pathways,” “Internship and Summer Opportunities – A Virtual Internship Fair,” as well as a session for parents and caregivers of high school students on educational options, career planning, and financial aid.

Project Success for High School Students
Harvard Medical School

Impact: Eight Boston Public Schools students held internships in FY21.

Project Success is a paid internship program for local junior and senior high school students, particularly for those who are underrepresented in medical fields. The program allows students to work at Harvard Medical School and its affiliated institutions and provides mentoring, seminars, workshops, and career guidance counseling. Students can return to the program for multiple years — high school through college.

Design Discovery: Young Adult
Harvard Graduate School of Design

Design Discovery: Young Adult is an intensive four-week summer architecture and design program that seeks to immerse high school students in the world of design. Developed by Harvard Graduate
School of Design students, the program introduces teenagers to architectural design and alternative perspectives of landscape design; urban planning; and graphic, industrial, and fine arts design. The program strives to foster a passion for design in local communities and to develop the skills to put students on track for exploring these ideas at the collegiate level. In FY21, seven of these students were from Boston.

**Black in Design Mentorship Program**

*Harvard Graduate School of Design*

The Black in Design Mentorship Program is a 10-week academic and professional mentorship program that invites Boston area Black high school students to learn about what design involves and how guidance and collaboration are essential to the act of design. The program aims to expand the ecosystem of engagement among Black designers by building mentorship opportunities to extend support into participants’ future pursuit of design. In FY21, the program reached five students from Boston.

**Health Professions Recruitment & Exposure Program**

*Harvard Medical School*

Harvard Medical School’s Health Professions Recruitment & Exposure Program is a high school science enrichment program that seeks to recruit Boston and Cambridge high school students into science and medicine, and particularly aims to reach students from underrepresented backgrounds. The program provides students with academic support and facilitates conversations with students in medical, dental, and pharmacy schools. More than 800 students from the Greater Boston area have participated in the program since 2007.

**GOOD NEIGHBOR ACTIVITY**

**Direct Contributions to Boston-based Nonprofit Organizations**

*Harvard University*

Impact: 24 nonprofit organizations supported in FY21.

Harvard supports the work of a number of Boston-based nonprofit organizations that serve residents in the City of Boston. In FY21, the University’s support included nonprofits focused on the arts, economic and community development, youth programming, health and wellbeing, as well as services for the elderly.

**Support for Local Nonprofits in Response to COVID-19**

*Harvard University*

Recognizing the critical role nonprofits play in responding to community needs during the pandemic, Harvard launched a grant program to provide emergency funding to nonprofit organizations serving residents in Allston-Brighton. The Harvard University Allston-Brighton Emergency Response Grant allowed organizations to quickly mobilize and help deliver essential services to individuals, students, and families in need.

**Harvard Catalyst**

*Harvard University*

The Catalyst helps to facilitate connections among thousands of researchers across Harvard University, fostering new collaborations and translating innovations and groundbreaking discoveries into solutions and services for the public good. The Catalyst’s Community Engagement Program also engages the broader public health community through general educational programming, events, and workshops. Some event topics in FY21 included: “Community Engagement to Promote COVID-19 Vaccine Equity in Massachusetts,” “Art Meets Science – Reimagining Medical Imagery and Health Equity,” “Universal Basic Income in the U.S. – Insights from Research and Practice,” “Making an Impact on COVID-19 Vaccination Efforts,” and “Justice 4 Housing: Leveraging Community Strength to De-Criminalize Housing.”
Through community-serving programs and meaningful relationships with nonprofit partners, Harvard is fortunate to collaborate with and support the work of the following Boston-based organizations and departments:

- Action for Boston Community Development
- Allston Brighton Community Development Corporation
- Allston Village Main Streets
- Asian Community Development Corporation
- Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center
- Boston Children’s Hospital
- Boston Harbor Now
- Boston Medical Center
- Boston Minstrel Company Charitable Trust
- Boston Museum of Science
- Brazilian Worker Center
- Brigham and Women’s Hospital
- Brighton Allston Historical Society
- Brighton Board of Trade
- Brighton Main Streets
- Charles River Watershed Association
- CityLife/Vida Urbana
- Community Health Education Center
- Community Servings
- Cradles to Crayons
- Dana Farber Cancer Institute
- Dimock Community Health Center
- East Boston Social Center
- ESAC Boston
- Fenway Health
- Foundation for Boston Centers for Youth & Families
- Greater Boston Legal Services
- Greater Grove Hall Main Streets
- Health Care For All
- Home Base Program
- Immigrant Family Services Institute
- Jackson Mann Community Center
- Joslin Diabetes Center
- Longwood Symphony Orchestra
- Madison Park Development Corporation
- MASS Design Group
- MassChallenge
- McNamara House
- Mission Hill Main Streets
- NAACP
- National Consumer Law Center
- New England Aquarium
- New England Center and Home for Veterans
- Oak Square YMCA
- Obesity Prevention Center at Boston Children’s Hospital
- Pine Street Inn
- Prisoners’ Legal Services
- Project Citizenship
- Rose Fitzgerald Kennedy Greenway Conservancy
- Roxbury Tenants of Harvard
- South End Community Health Center
- The Children’s Trust Massachusetts
- The Fenway Institute
- The Fishing Academy
- The Presentation School Foundation Community Center
- Veronica B. Smith Senior Center
- West End House Boys and Girls Club
- West End House
- Whittier Street Health Center
- YMCA of Greater Boston

City of Boston

- Boston Planning and Development Agency
- Boston Public Schools
- Boston Public Health Commission
- Boston Public Library
- City of Boston Department of Neighborhood Development
- City of Boston Inspectional Services Department
- City of Boston Mayor’s Office
- City of Boston Mayor’s Office for Food Access
- City of Boston Mayor’s Office for Immigrant Advancement
- City of Boston Mayor’s Office for Women’s Advancement