



# Greater Grove Hall Newsletter



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## New Business in Grove Hall

**Ten Dollars Store**  
7A Washington St.  
Monday to Saturday  
10:00 a.m. to 5:00p.m.



**LADIES DRESSES • HATS  
JEWELRY • SOCKS • BAGS  
PICTURES • SUN GLASSES  
PURSES • POTS • ALMOST  
EVERYTHING**

## Grove Hall Farmers' Market

Greater Grove Hall Main Streets and Project R.I.G.H.T. have teamed up to open the Grove Hall Farmers' Market. Visit and enjoy fresh fruits, vegetables and much more!

**July 10th to October 30th**  
**Tuesdays 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. | Saturdays 10:00 to 2:00 p.m.**

The GHFM accepts WIC Coupons, Senior Coupons and will double EBT/SNAP purchases up to \$10 courtesy of the Boston Bounty Bucks Program.

## Caribbean Foundation of Boston



For over four decades, Beulah Fagan Providence, Executive Director of the Caribbean Foundation of Boston, has been leading a team of home aid workers to improve and protect the lives of residents in our community. She is a native of Dominica and was inspired by Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s dream and commitment to improving the quality of life for all people. Despite limited formal education, Beulah began crafting the Caribbean Foundation's structure during a class project at Northeastern University. The original focus of the project was to provide jobs and pool resources to aid the Greater Boston Caribbean immigrant community. Beulah saw her niche as she witnessed the disparity between the quality and training of homemakers working in upper middle class suburbia and that in more urban and poorer areas in Roxbury, Dorchester and Mattapan. Five local residents and Caribbean women set the tone for the future of the organization.

The goals of the agency are to prevent unnecessary institutionalization

## Caribbean Foundation

of the elderly and disabled maintaining them in their homes with the help of homemakers, and provide meaningful jobs for local residents. The agency provides support to families where a homemaker is absent or incapable and empowers and teaches families how to care for one another. They also provide relief for caregivers that otherwise would be house bound caring for loved ones.

Housekeeping services focus on cooking, shopping, cleaning, bathing and dressing the elderly and disabled. Although heavy cleaning, (e.g. scrubbing floors, ironing cloths, washing windows, etc.) is not considered a function of the homemaker, auxiliary help or janitorial services can be arranged when necessary, through the Agency's Chore Services, as an extra service. Flexible schedules provide support during the evening and on weekends and respond to support families when unexpected emergencies change plans. A seventy-five percent retention rate contributes greatly to an experienced and reliable labor force. The agency also hires college students through internships for office work or as part-time homemakers as a means for them to earn tuition money while doing worthwhile and fulfilling work.

The need for service "continues to empower my drive to make a positive difference in my community," says Beulah Providence.

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## Partners with Non-Profits

Are you part of a non-profit organization that needs much needed capital improvements? Consider the City of Boston's Partners with Non-Profit (PNP) program that provides matching grants up to a maximum of \$25,000 per project per fiscal year for capital improvements to non-profit facilities located in Boston. PNP grants have been awarded to healthcare centers, homeless shelters, youth organizations, senior centers, and cultural and educational institutions throughout Boston. In order to be eligible for funding, a group must be a non-profit organization (NPO) that operates a facility open to members of the general public.

The request must be for a physical improvement to a facility that would benefit the general public (i.e. a building, playground, pool, or other tangible real property).

- Example of eligible facilities: public recreation facilities; public education facilities; emergency shelter facilities; social service facilities; arts and cultural facilities.
- Example of eligible activities: capital improvements; repairs of code violations; handicap accessibility upgrades.

Funds are granted on an annual basis in September through a Request for Proposal (RFP) process. For additional information or to be placed on the RFP notification list, please use the contact information provided below.

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## Business Not as Usual

Business Not as Usual Networking Koinonia Group invites members of the business community to an Outdoor Vendor Expo Day. Founded by current President and CEO Barbara Dulin, the group focuses its energy on bringing professionals together for networking opportunities and professional development. The group is driven by four key goals: empower, motivate, assist, and equip. The Outdoor Vendor Expo Day Committee Chair, Cynthia Younger, having attended other business fairs feels it is extremely important to promote businesses in her community. Cynthia started her career with Richardson Associates after being laid off more than 20 years ago. Initially working part time, Cynthia now works full time and directs a staff. She further goes on to say “businesses need to unite and support each other and ourselves.” Peg, Cynthia’s right arm, asserted during the interview “the more small businesses we create ourselves, the more jobs we will have for our children to use their talents to serve the community.” Both Cynthia and Peg believe we must “hire folks in the community [and leave a] legacy for our children.”



Businesses Not as Usual | Barbara Dulin | [bdulin@bnumc.com](mailto:bdulin@bnumc.com)  
 Outdoor Vendor Expo Day | Saturday, July 24, 2010 | 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
 3 Herbert Street | Dorchester, MA 02124 | [Cynthia Younger | Richardsonassoc@verizon.net](mailto:Cynthia.Younger@Richardsonassoc.com)

## Tax incentives to HIRE employees

Two new tax benefits are available to employers hiring workers who were previously unemployed or only working part time under the Hiring Incentives to Restore Employment (HIRE) Act.

Employers who hire unemployed workers this year (after Feb. 3, 2010 and before Jan. 1, 2011) may qualify for exemption from the employer 6.2% contribution to Social Security taxes on wages paid to these workers after March 18, 2010. This reduced tax withholding will have no effect on the employee’s future Social Security benefits, and employers would still need to withhold the employee’s 6.2 percent share of Social Security taxes, as well as income taxes.

Businesses may also claim general business tax credit, up to \$1,000 per worker, when they file their 2011 income tax returns for each worker retained for at least a year, .

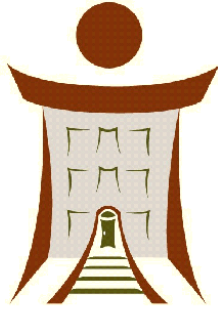
New hires filling existing positions also qualify but only if the workers they are replacing left voluntarily or for cause. Family members and other relatives do not qualify. In addition, the new law requires that the employer get a statement from each eligible new hire certifying that he or she was unemployed during the 60 days before beginning work or, alternatively, worked no more than 40 hours for anyone during the 60-day period.

Businesses, agricultural employers, tax-exempt organizations and public colleges and universities all qualify to claim the payroll tax benefit for eligible newly-hired employees. Household employers cannot claim the new tax benefit.

Employers claim the payroll tax benefit on the federal employment tax return they file, usually quarterly, with the IRS. Eligible employers will be able to claim the new tax incentive on their revised employment tax form for the second quarter of 2010. Revised forms and further details on these two new tax provisions will be posted on [IRS.gov](http://IRS.gov).

[www.IRS.gov](http://www.IRS.gov)

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# NAVIGATING SOCIAL MEDIA WITH MAIN STREETS

Are you ever overwhelmed with social media and how developing a web-site, joining Facebook / Linked-In, or even twitter is going to improve your business' success. This workshop will assist you navigate the webs twisted online labyrinth. Join Greater Grove Hall & Dudley Square Main Streets July workshop to improve your online success.

Thursday, July 29, 2010  
8:00 - 9:30 a.m.  
Location TDB

For more information contact:  
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greatergrovehall@verizon.net | www.grovergrovehall.com/NS  
Dudley Square Main Streets | 617-541-4644  
www.dudleysquare.org

## Events Calendar

**Kids Prices at the Zoo**  
First Saturdays (FPZ)  
10:00 to 12 pm

**Ask a CPA Day**  
Friday, July 16, 2010  
9 a.m. to 4 pm  
Wwww.mscaonline.org/  
askacpaday

**Greater Grove Hall Main Streets Annual Meeting**  
Tuesday, July 27  
6:30 to 8:00 pm  
Grove Hall Community Center  
greatergrovehall@verizon.net

**Drop-in Youth Sports Nights**  
Thursdays (FPC)  
July 8 to August 12  
5 pm to Dusk

**Franklin Park Bicycle Festival**  
Saturday, July 17 (FPC)  
10 am to 2pm

**Navigating Social Media**  
Thursday, July 29  
8:00 to 9:30  
greatergrovehall@verizon.net

**Grove Hall Farmers' Market**  
Tuesday 3 to 7 pm  
Saturday 10 to 2pm  
July 10 to October 30  
617-427-2560 or project right

**Happy Birthday Hamisi**  
Friday, July 23(FPZ)  
11 am to 3pm

**National Night Out Celebration**  
Monday, August 2  
2:00 to 6:00 pm  
Frederick Pilot Middle School  
270 Columbia Road

**Playhouse in the Park**  
Tuesdays (FPC)  
July 13 to August 10  
11 am & 6 pm

**Franklin Park History Tour**  
Saturday, July 24 (FPC)  
10am to 2pm

**Bastille Day**  
Wednesday, July 14 (FPZ)  
11 am, 1:30 pm & 3:00 pm  
617-989-200

**Roxbury Main Streets Bike Tour**  
Saturday, July 24  
11:00am  
617-427-1006

**Movie Night!**  
**Michael Jackson's "This Is It"**  
Tuesday, August 17th (FPC)  
Dusk

FPC - Franklin Park Coalition: RSVP@franklinparkcoalition.org  
FPZ - Franklin Park Zoo: 617-989-2000

## Thank you for an amazing Roxbury Cultural Week

Act Roxbury, The Roxbury Collaborative, Dudley Square Main Streets, Discover Roxbury, Museum of the National Center of Afro American Artists, Roxbury Harlem Book Festival, Haley House Café and Gallery, Quilter Naomi Henry.