

# Greater Grove Hall MAIN STREETS



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## ABOUT US AT GGHMS.

Greater Grove Hall Main Streets is committed to promoting a diverse business district while maintaining our neighborhood's historical character. We encourage innovative and creative techniques to foster economic development that enriches the lives of business owners, employees and residents of our community.

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Bob Thompson (Chairman), Bertram Alleyne, Murphy Gregory, John Linehan, Lynda Blake, Robert Hector, KarenLyn Bunch (Vice Chair), Sis. Virginia Morrison, Roberta Young, Ed Gaskin (Executive Director), Eddie Jenkins (Secretary), Andre Barbour (Treasurer), Eric Straughter, Bruce Bickerstaff and new board member Pamella Gonclaves.

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## THIS MONTH'S FEATURED BUSINESS.

### Rose's Hair Design

Full Service Hair and Beauty Salon

622 Blue Hill Ave, Dorchester, MA 02121

PHONE:  
(617) 282 - 4500

STORE HOURS:  
Tues - Sat 9:00 am - 6:00 pm



Rose's Hair Design, A Unisex salon that offers a relaxing and welcoming environment that is both modern and chic. Our trained stylists have a passion for what they do and make every decision with the guests needs in mind. Your satisfaction is our number one priority, and we try to completely accommodate all of your needs in an atmosphere of innovation and excellence. Without our clients, we could not live out our passion. We offer a multi-faceted service menu and wide range of products that allow us to meet the individual needs of every guest.

### OUR SERVICES INCLUDE:

HAIREXTENSIONS, (SEW-IN HAIR WEAVES), WIGS, HAIR STYLING, HAIR CUTS, HAIR COLOR, NATURAL HAIR STYLES & HAIR TREATMENTS.



## UPCOMING EVENTS

\*NATIONAL SMALL BUSINESS WEEK: Honor a Massachusetts Business You LOVE!  
Thursday, May 1st - May 6th. (Deadline for submitting nominations is January 11th, 2016)

\*BOSTON IMPACT INITIATIVE LOCAL ECONOMY SALON  
Tuesday, December 8th from 4:30 PM to 6:30 PM  
Old Oak Dojo located at 14 Chestnut Place, Jamaica Plain, MA



**IF YOU OWN A BARBERSHOP OR BEAUTY SALON...**

**THIS FREE WORKSHOP IS FOR YOU!**

Learn how to grow your business and make more money

You will hear how to:

- ✓ Attract new customers
- ✓ Make existing customers more profitable
- ✓ Provide a distinctive customer experience
- ✓ Run a smooth and successful business



Workshop conducted by



**Monday, January 25<sup>th</sup>**

**9:30 am - Breakfast & Networking**

**10:00-11:30 am – Workshop & Discussion**

**FREEDOM HOUSE**

**5 Crawford St, Dorchester**

Reservations are not required but this is  
sure to be a popular workshop!

RSVP Ed Gaskin

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**Sponsored by:**

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## Honor a Massachusetts Business You LOVE!

### DO YOU HAVE AN AMAZING SUCCESS STORY?

  
 SUBMIT A NOMINATION  
 TODAY FOR THE  
**2016 NATIONAL SMALL  
 BUSINESS WEEK AWARDS**



Every year since 1963, the President of the United States has issued a proclamation announcing National Small Business Week, which recognizes the critical contributions of America's entrepreneurs and small business owners.

As part of [National Small Business Week \(May 1-6, 2016\)](#), the U.S. Small Business Administration takes the opportunity to highlight the impact of outstanding entrepreneurs, small business owners, and others from all 50 states and U.S. territories. Every day, they're working to grow small businesses, create 21st century jobs, drive innovation, and increase America's global competitiveness.

"Help us identify the job-creators, risk-takers and community-builders who deserve public recognition for being small business champions," said Massachusetts District Director Robert H. Nelson. "This is an opportunity for a banker, a chamber of commerce, a community organization, or an individual to promote a business, a client or even an employee that is having success."

The Massachusetts District Office will recognize honorees in the following categories:

- 2016 National Small Business Person of the Year
- Exporter of the Year
- The Jeffrey Butland Family-Owned Business Award
- Women-Owned Small Business Award
- Veteran-Owned Small Business Award
- Minority-Owned Small Business Award
- Microenterprise of the Year
- Manufacturer of the Year
- Financial Services Champion

The deadline for submitting nominations is January 11, 2016. The nomination form and eligibility guidelines are available for [download HERE](#).

**All SBA programs and services are provided on a nondiscriminatory basis | Reasonable accommodations will be made if requested at least two weeks in advance**



**GREATER GROVE HALL MAIN STREETS IN THE NEWS!**

## "The Greater Grove Hall Main Streets made the front page of the Bay State Banner when the mayor came to Grove Hall as part of his '5 on Main' promotion."

The mayor challenged City of Boston residents to buy five of their holiday gifts in a main street district. In the photo, Mayor Walsh is shopping in Grove Hall as part of the 5 on Main program. Lynda Blake board member of Greater Grove Hall Main Streets is pictured in the foreground and Executive Director Ed Gaskin is pictured in the background.



The mayor also inspected some of the transformation that has taken place in Grove Hall since he has come to office. Mayor Walsh stood in front of the largest "ReStore" project in the city, which has made a major impact in the Grove Hall business district. Part of the transformation includes replacing street lights, planting trees, adding trash cans, and fixing the sidewalks. Grove Hall is also one of the locations for the mayor's Drive Boston car share program.

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## "Greater Grove Hall Main Streets board member Bruce Bickerstaff speaking at a local community event."

Bruce Bickerstaff, a Greater Grove Hall Main Streets board member, speaks at a community meeting called "Reclaiming Roxbury" which resulted in a report of which the table of contents is below. If anyone wants a copy of the report, they should contact:

Councillor Tito Jackson, D7 | City of Boston 617.635.3510

The four working groups will meet on January 28th to develop strategies for organizing residents, build a governance structure, identify standards for development and process design, and disseminate information to the entire Roxbury community. On February 25th, Reclaim Roxbury will hold another community-wide meeting to discuss progress made. If after reading the report you are interested in joining one of these groups, please let me know.

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### RECLAIM ROXBURY SUMMARY REPORT

December 2015

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## "Ed Gaskin, Executive Director of Greater Grove Hall Main Streets, was quoted in the Bay State Banner."

## "Members of the Greater Grove Hall Main Streets board at the Museum of the National Center of African American Artists reception."



From left to right, new board member Pamela Gonclaves, Hakim Raquib, one of two photographers whose work was on display, the other being Tony Irving who is not pictured, Sister Virginia Morrison, Karenlynn Bunch, Robert Hector, Bertram Alleyne and Executive Director Ed Gaskin.

Not pictured, board member Lynda Blake who was also at the reception.

### About the Exhibit:

The Museum of the National Center of Afro-American Artists in partnership with the Grove Hall Neighborhood Development Corporation, Greater Grove Hall Main Streets, Earthos Institute, Dudley Square Main Streets, and the Mother Caroline Academy, is pleased to present **Roxbury: A Heritage Explored** featuring photographs by Hakim Raquib and Tony Irving. The exhibition will be on display Tuesdays-Sundays, 1-5 pm, through March 31, 2016, at 300 Walnut Avenue, Roxbury, MA.

**Roxbury: A Heritage Explored** offers a visual snapshot of some of Roxbury's most iconic sites recalling its architectural, social and political history from colonial times to the present. The exhibition is part of an ongoing, participatory process of developing the Roxbury Memory Heritage Trail and Public Art Corridor. [Read More](#)

[More Information about the Trail Initiative](#)  
[About Museum of National Center for Afro American Artists](#)

Museum of the National Center of Afro-American Artists, 300 Walnut Avenue Boston, MA 02119  
Openings are free to the public and all are invited.

## NEWS FEEDS:



### Mayor Marty Walsh at Holiday Tree Lighting

Mayor Marty Walsh stopped by the Grove Hall Library for a brief Holiday Tree lighting. He was presented with an ornament for his tree made by some kids who participated in an art activity to make holiday ornaments. The mayor would leave the library and tour the Grove Hall business

district as part of his plan to promote shopping local. [projectrightinc.org](http://projectrightinc.org)



# Executive Director Ed Gaskin & Board Member Karen Bunch met with Sheila Dillion...

to discuss development in the Greater Grove Hall area specifically, empty lots, and buildings along Blue Hill Avenue, Warren St. Washington St. and Geneva Ave were discussed.

The goal of the meeting was to discuss what Greater Grove Hall Main Streets and the City of Boston could do to influence economic development in the area.  
[VIEW POWERPOINT HERE](#)



# More Hubway Stations Proposed

The Barr Foundation is looking to sponsor the placement of two more Hubway stations in the Grove Hall area. We are looking to place one near Flames restaurant by the Pocket Park. The other proposed site for the Hubway station would be the Four/Corners, rail stop.



# Louis Elisa Meets With Sister Virginia Morrison...

of the Grove Hall NDC and board member of Greater Grove Hall Main Streets along with Harold Raymond and H.M. Karriem van Leesten IV to discuss potential development on the Prince Hall Masonic Lodge site.



# Community Was Overwhelmingly Opposed

Community Residents participate in a hearing concerning a liquor store's interest in moving into the community. The community was overwhelmingly opposed.



# Former State Representative Dianne Wilkerson...

voices her objection to a proposed liquor store moving into Grove Hall.



## Boston's BRT Study Group in Meeting

The Bus Rapid Transit, or BRT Study Group, meeting at the Bar Foundation to discuss next steps. Greater Grove Hall Main Streets is part of the Group.



## Boston's BRT Study Group in Mexico

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