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Overview

After a collaborative and transparent multi-year process, Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center (BIDMC) is excited to announce that 17 local organizations have been selected to receive funding for impactful initiatives in the areas of housing affordability, jobs and financial security, and behavioral health.

This important milestone is BIDMC's first major investment through its Community-based Health Initiative and represents a continued strong commitment to the communities we serve.

BIDMC is delighted to partner with these organizations to invest in the health and well-being of our community. For more information about the process to date, please visit our [website](#).

Major Investment in Boston

BIDMC will award \$6.6 million over three years to 16 local nonprofit organizations working in the communities of Allston/Brighton, Bowdoin/Geneva, Chinatown, Fenway/Kenmore, Mission Hill, and Roxbury.



IMPACT
Support evidence-based programs and strategies



COMMUNITY
Build community cohesion and capacity



HEALTH AND RACIAL EQUITY
Work towards the systemic, fair and just treatment of all people



SUSTAINABILITY
Encourage sustained program impact



UPSTREAM
Address the fundamental causes of poor health and racial inequities

The core principles guiding this investment are: impact, community, health and racial equity, sustainability, and moving upstream.

The Allocation Committee was intentional in its selection process and carefully considered whether the organization's efforts would reach populations disproportionately impacted by health and racial inequities.

This funding represents a significant portion of the approximately \$18 million dollars that will be invested into the community over the next six years as part of the construction of BIDMC's new inpatient building.

Supporting Community-Based Organizations

We are looking forward to working with the organizations listed below to support programs and initiatives that lead to more equitable and healthy communities.

Cross-Sector Partnership for Systems Change Grantees (\$1,000,000)

- [Bridge Over Troubled Waters](#) | Housing Affordability, Jobs & Financial Security, Behavioral Health
- [Metro Housing|Boston](#) | Housing Affordability, Jobs & Financial Security

Focused Investment Grantees (\$500,000)

- [Asian Community Development Corporation](#) | Housing Affordability
- [BAGLY \(Boston Alliance of Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender Youth\)](#) | Housing Affordability
- [City Life/Vida Urbana](#) | Housing Affordability
- [Community Servings](#) | Jobs & Financial Security
- [English for New Bostonians](#) | Jobs & Financial Security
- [The Family Van](#) | Behavioral Health
- [Fathers' Uplift](#) | Behavioral Health
- [Fenway Community Development Corporation](#) | Housing Affordability

Capacity Building Seed Funding Grantees (\$100,000)

- [ACEDONE \(African Community Economic Development of New England\)](#) | Behavioral Health
- [Boston Chinatown Neighborhood Center](#) | Behavioral Health
- [Charles River Community Health](#) | Behavioral Health
- [Greater Boston Chinese Golden Age Center](#) | Behavioral Health
- [Nuestra Comunidad Development Corporation](#) | Housing Affordability
- [Sociedad Latina](#) | Jobs & Financial Security

We will share more information about these organizations and the funded projects in future issues of the newsletter.

Chelsea Behavioral Health Investment

BIDMC also recently awarded \$270,000 to [North Suffolk Mental Health Association](#) to improve access to behavioral health services in the city of Chelsea over the next two years. The funding will support a bilingual clinical intensive case management team that will work with uninsured and underinsured Chelsea residents. This is the first installment of a \$1.8 million investment in the city of Chelsea to be made over the next five years.

Healthy Neighborhoods Funding Opportunity Coming Soon: Bowdoin/Geneva and Fenway/Kenmore

BIDMC will release a Request for Proposals (RFP) for *Healthy Neighborhoods* funding in February 2021. Neighborhood-specific coalitions will have the opportunity to apply for about \$395,000 in funding for a community-led project. The focus of the first round of this funding is the Boston neighborhoods of **Fenway/Kenmore** and **Bowdoin/Geneva**. Over the next three years, we will announce *Healthy Neighborhoods* RFP's for the neighborhoods of Allston/Brighton, Chinatown, Mission Hill, and Roxbury as well. Stay tuned for more information about this opportunity.

Stay in Touch

Stay tuned for quarterly updates about BIDMC's Community-based Health Initiative. For more information, visit us at bidmc.org/chi.

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