

# Boston Alliance *for* COMMUNITY HEALTH



## ANNUAL REPORT July 2010 – June 2011

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**Boston Alliance for Community Health (BACH)**



OCTOBER 1, 2011

This has been a year of changes for the Boston Alliance for Community Health (also known as Community Health Network Area 19).

In 2010, with the help of many community partners, we completed a comprehensive strategic planning process that has resulted in a transition from primarily funding small direct service projects to embarking on a neighborhood-based and citywide health planning process for Boston.

We have also made major changes in how we do our work. We have established a 20 person Steering Committee with representatives of neighborhood coalitions, hospitals, community health centers, community development corporations and other social service and health organizations. This reflects our understanding that a community can only be truly healthy when all segments of the community understand the connections between the built environment, individual behaviors, public policy and health and commit to working collaboratively to eliminate health inequities. We have established three working committees which engage additional members in helping us achieve our goals: Health Planning and Improvement, Membership and Governance, and Finance with plans to establish a Public Policy Committee in the future.

Our work cannot be done without the partnerships with our 11 neighborhood coalitions and we plan to work with groups in other Boston neighborhoods to get them involved in our work also. We have established a Coalition Learning Community where members receive additional training and help each other improve their effectiveness in addressing the health of their neighborhoods' residents as well as the public policies and social determinants of health.

Also this year, we have involved 10 neighborhood groups in working on tobacco and nicotine policy work including improving access to smoking cessation services, documenting the effects of tobacco on neighborhood residents, decreasing the access to unregulated tobacco and novel nicotine products such as e-cigarettes, and increasing the number of smoke-free residential units and tobacco free spaces in Boston. We also continued our work in the Breathe Free for Kids community-based participatory research project to reduce the exposure of young children to second hand smoke.

This work, implemented by scores of residents and community-based organizations, is supported financially through funding and assistance from Boston's teaching hospitals and the Conference of Boston Teaching Hospitals, the Boston Public Health Commission, the Massachusetts Department of Public Health, and Harvard School of Public Health. We are grateful that there is such a commitment of human and financial resources to making Boston a community where residents have the capacity and skills to be an integral part of improving the health and well-being.

It is in that spirit that we are pleased to present this summary of our work over the past year and invite you to join us in our work this coming year.

Sincerely,

Beth Rosenshein,  
*Steering Committee Chair*

David Aronstein,  
*Program Director*

## our MISSION

The Boston Alliance for Community Health unites public, private, and non-profit partners in neighborhood-based, data-driven health planning and improvement to influence policymaking, program development, service delivery, and resource allocations that protect, promote, and improve the health and well-being of all Boston residents.

# Strategic Planning & IMPLEMENTING CHANGE

In 2010, with the help of many community partners, BACH completed a comprehensive strategic planning process to develop the most effective strategies for our work to improve the health of Bostonians. It resulted in a transition from primarily funding small direct service projects to embarking on a neighborhood-based and citywide health planning process for Boston. This resulted in a revised Mission Statement and a set of 5 primary goals for the next phase of our work:

### GOALS

**Goal I.** Collaborate with all key stakeholders to develop and implement neighborhood-based, data-driven health plans with measurable objectives to improve the health status of Boston residents, with a focus on eliminating health inequities for vulnerable populations.

**Goal II.** Position BACH as the credible “go to” source for public health planning and health improvement.

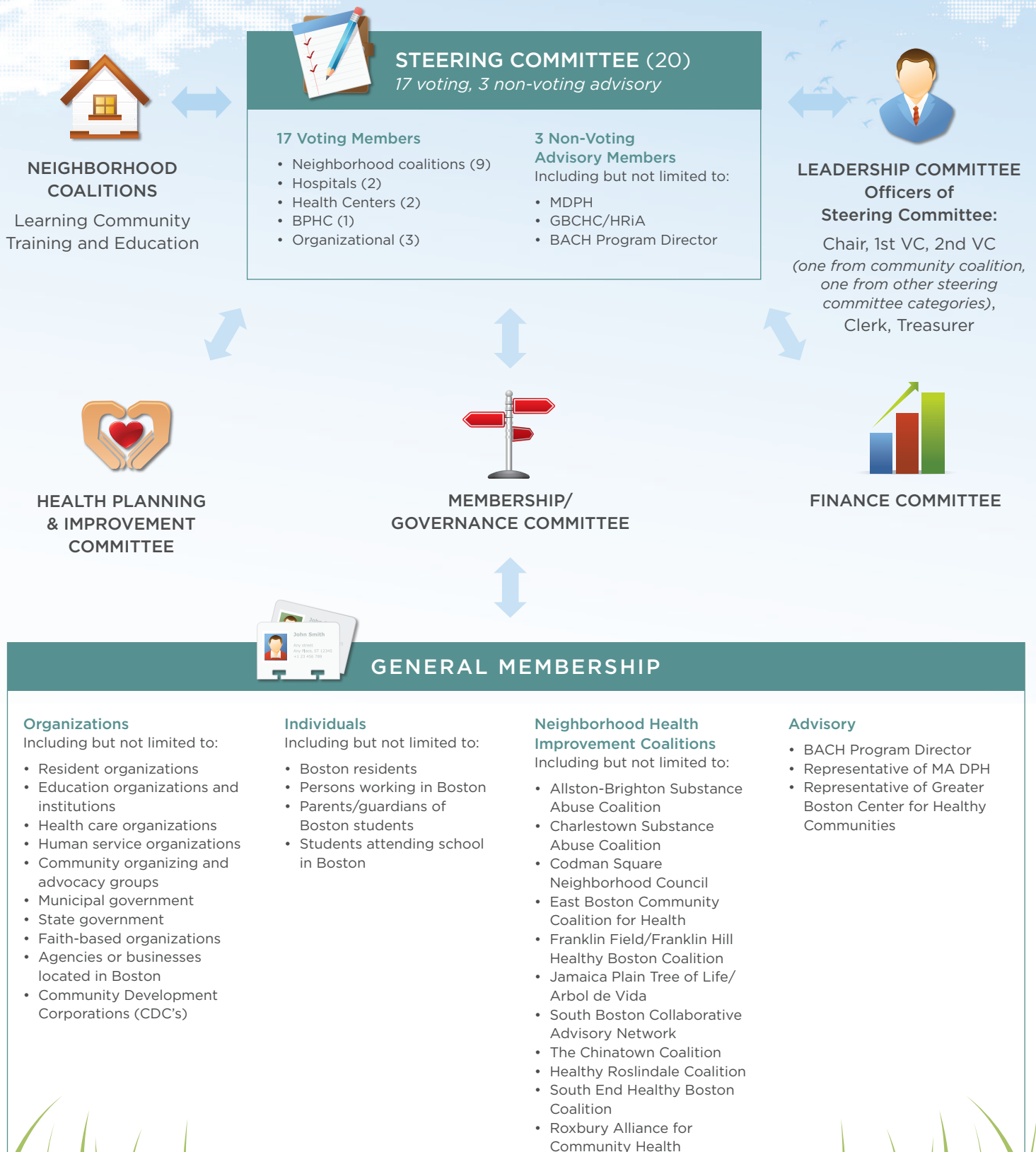
**Goal III.** To ensure that individuals, coalitions, and BACH have the skills, resources, and competencies to effectively engage in health planning and improvement.

**Goal IV.** Develop and strengthen key partnerships that will enhance the capacity of BACH.

**Goal V.** Develop an effective, efficient organization that is representative of Boston residents with clear lines of communication, shared decision-making, accountability, and transparency.



# ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE



# *timeline of* KEY ACCOMPLISHMENTS & CHANGES IN 2010-2011

In addition to the on-going day-to-day work that BACH members have been doing, some highlights from the past year include:

## Fall 2010

- Began tobacco policy initiative in partnership with Boston Public Health Commission's Communities Putting Prevention to Work. Working with ten neighborhood coalitions we developed action plans to document the effects of tobacco on neighborhoods, increase the number of smoke-free spaces, and advocate for the regulation of novel nicotine products.
- Completed our Strategic Planning Process
- Supported mini-grant funded projects in 10 neighborhood coalitions for a total of \$143,750 (see pages 10-14 for some examples)
- Participated in the Children's Hospital Boston Determination of Need (DoN) process resulting in a commitment of support to strengthen BACH's infrastructure including hiring a Director to lead the implementation of our new strategies.
- Formed our new Steering Committee which includes multi-sector representation to enable us to more effectively implement our broad-based health goals.

## Winter 2011

- Approved a formal Memorandum of Understanding with Health Resources in Action (HRiA) to provide general management, financial, administrative, and human resources support.
- Consolidated all BACH funding.
- Formed the Health Planning and Improvement Committee including additional volunteers representing new partnering organizations to begin study of health planning models which resulted in the adoption of the Mobilizing for Action through Planning and Partnership (MAPP) process.
- Improved recruitment strategies for the Breathe Free for Kids community participatory based research project aimed at reducing second hand smoke exposure to young children.

- Joined the Massachusetts Public Health Association's Act FRESH Campaign to make local healthy food more available and affordable, to increase public space for physical activity, and to reduce obesity and chronic disease in Massachusetts.

## Spring 2011

- Adopted new by-laws which clearly delineate members' roles, responsibilities, and accountability.
- Joined the Healthy Communities Caucus of the Sustainable Communities project of the Metropolitan Area Planning Council to advocate for the inclusion of a health perspective in all projects.
- Testified in support of the "Prevention and Cost Control Trust Fund" legislation at the State House that would support and protect prevention initiatives.
- Prepared for policy presentation by CPPW Tobacco Coalitions to the Boston Board of Health on "Other Tobacco Products" which are not regulated as well as limiting youth access to these products.
- Organized an education day at City Hall which included educational visits to each City Council Member, a press conference and the "1200 Shoes" demonstration representing the number of tobacco related deaths each day in the US.

## Summer 2011

- Began planning for launching the Mobilizing for Action through Planning and Partnership (MAPP) health planning process on the neighborhood and city-wide levels.
- Adopted a framework for a detailed plan to support coalitions and community partners in participating in the MAPP process and building their capacities through direct funding, consultation and technical assistance, training, a facilitated Learning Community, direction from BACH's Health Planning and Improvement Committee and support from BACH's Health Planning Manager and the Greater Boston Center for Healthy Communities.
- Approved FY 2012 (July 1, 2011 – June 30, 2012) operating budget which provides the financial resources to achieve our goals.

# Mobilizing for Action THROUGH PLANNING & PARTNERSHIP (MAPP)



BACH is beginning to implement the MAPP health planning process that is supported by the National Association of City and County Health Officials (NACCHO) and has been used by a wide range of communities across the United States.

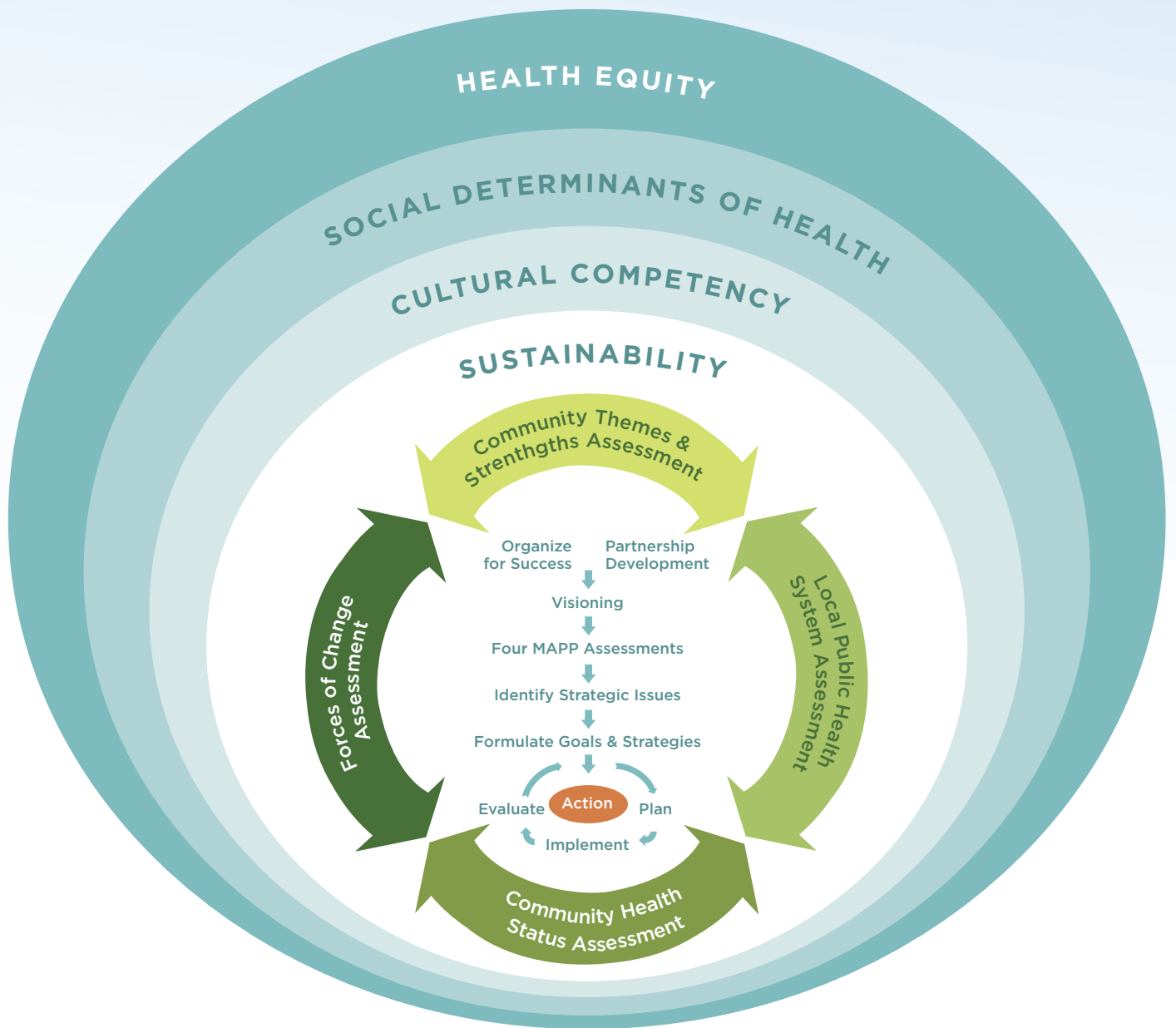
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MAPP is a flexible and phased process that will allow us to have a better understanding of the health issues affecting Boston and its neighborhoods while, at the same time, building the capacity of residents and providers in the neighborhoods to address health issues based on data and evidence-based program and policy initiatives. This approach will allow us to understand issues that affect the city as a whole without losing the “granularity” of issues that may affect specific neighborhoods. Each participating BACH coalition will be provided with financial support, training, technical assistance and guidance as we implement the process.

There are many opportunities for local service providers and residents to engage with us in this exciting project (contact David Aronstein at [aronstein@hria.org](mailto:aronstein@hria.org) for more information).

## Mobilizing for Action through Planning and Partnership (MAPP) Process

MAPP is a health planning model that emphasizes the importance of organizing in communities to engage in health planning and improvement over the long run. The outer rings symbolize BACH's commitment to addressing health equity, social determinants of health, cultural competency and sustainability as central to our work.





# *Communities putting* **PREVENTION to WORK**



## **TOBACCO COALITIONS**

For the past year, BACH has been working on the Tobacco Initiative part of the U.S. Centers for Disease Control's Communities Putting Prevention to Work (CPPW) program funded through the Boston Public Health Commission. This project will be completed by mid-March, 2012. Ten neighborhood-based coalitions have been funded and have been working with BACH's Tobacco Program Manager, Cynthia Loesch and BPHC staff in three areas of policy change:

### **Increase the demand for and supply of tailored cessation services**

- All of the coalitions are promoting the Free Nicotine Patch Campaign (FNPC) of the BPHC. This resource provides Boston smokers' two-weeks of free nicotine patches and free telephone counseling services.
- All coalitions are distributing information to organizations, providers and at events. The fliers are available in English and Spanish.

### **Increase tobacco-free spaces**

- The Boston Housing Authority is going "smoke-free" in 2012 and some of the coalitions are working with the BHA and local Community Development Corporations on raising awareness of the dangers of secondhand-smoke and promoting smoke-free housing.
- Some of the coalitions are working to develop or enhance a tobacco-free policy within their organization and/or coalition.

### **Reduce the demand for tobacco products**

- All coalitions have been focusing on this policy in the summer of 2011 as they work with the BPHC to identify city-wide policies to better regulate novel nicotine products such as electronic cigarettes and other tobacco products and restrict their availability to youth.

### **The BACH Tobacco Coalitions are:**

- Allston Brighton Substance Abuse Task Force
- Charlestown Substance Abuse Coalition
- Chinatown Coalition / Boston Asian Y.E.S.
- Codman Square Neighborhood Council
- East Boston Neighborhood Against Substance Abuse
- Franklin Field Franklin Hill Dorchester Healthy Boston
- JP Coalition: Tree of Life & Hyde Square Task Force
- Project RIGHT Inc.
- Roxbury Community Alliance for Health
- South Boston Collaborative Advisory Network



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**If you missed World No Tobacco Day on May 31st, it was a powerful event and the BACH tobacco coalitions did a great job.**

The 1200 pairs of shoes served as a visual to demonstrate the lives lost every day in the country due to tobacco related illness. It drew much attention at City Hall.

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We were able to meet with all of the Boston City Councilors and/or their staff as well as with the Mayor's Office to discuss the dangers of tobacco use and exposure and their support for smoke-free housing and parks and the need for measures to prevent youth access to flavored tobacco and nicotine products.

One of the tools coalitions have been using is to create Photovoices which are digital story telling that is used as an advocacy tool to record a community's perspective, in this case about the effects of tobacco use on their neighborhoods.



A member of Boston Asian Youth Essential Services speaking at the World No Tobacco Day press conference.



Cynthia Loesch, BACH Tobacco Director briefing her successor, Nancy Marks



Flyer designed by Ra'Shaun Nalls of Project RIGHT in Grove Hall, one of the BACH Tobacco Coalitions, promoting the new registry where landlords and management companies can post rental vacancies that are smoke-free.

# BREATHE FREE

*for kids*



Lillian Jacobs and Robyn Keske recruiting families for Breathe Free for Kids at Boston Healthy Start Family Day at Harambee Park in Franklin Field, Dorchester

For the past year, BACH has been part of the Breathe Free for Kids (formerly Mass CONECT for Kids), a community-base participatory research project. In partnership with the Harvard School of Public Health and community agencies in Worcester and Lawrence, we have been working with families to understand the efficacy of using motivational interviewing to reduce exposure to second-hand smoke for children under the age of 6.



# COALITIONS *at* WORK *in the neighborhoods*

## BACH AFFILIATED COMMUNITY COALITIONS

### AUGUST 2011

- Allston-Brighton Substance Abuse Coalition
- Charlestown Substance Abuse Coalition
- The Chinatown Coalition
- Codman Square Neighborhood Council
- East Boston Coalition for Health
- Franklin Field/Franklin Hills Healthy Boston Coalition
- Jamaica Plain Tree of Life/Arbol de Vida
- Healthy Roslindale Coalition
- Roxbury Community Alliance for Health
- South Boston Collaborative Advisory Network
- South End Healthy Boston Coalition

While the focus of BACH's work is changing to a greater emphasis on health planning in the coming year, the past year continued a long history of BACH affiliated coalitions implementing specific community health projects in their neighborhoods, through BACH's mini-grant process which are funded by Determination of Need awards from Boston's hospitals. Here are some examples of the coalitions' work this past year:



## THE CHINATOWN COALITION'S

### *Chinese American Caregiver Assistance Program*

This project reached out to the Boston Chinese Community to raise their awareness about care giving issues. We increased the availability of linguistically appropriate services and educational materials to help people coping with the pressures of care giving. Additionally, one to one counseling services were provided to 42 Chinese American caregivers to relieve their stress as caregivers by assisting them in accessing appropriate resources for their care recipients.

#### **Eight educational workshops were presented including:**

- “Know More About Diabetes”
- “Kidney Disease Prevention”
- “Healthy Eating”
- “The Most Common Illness Among Asian Elders”
- “Community Safety”
- “Medication Management”
- “Healthy Living & Financial Planning”
- “Elder Legal Issues”.

#### **As one participant commented:**

*“I was much relieved knowing that I was not alone in taking care of my mother. I had someone to call for a problem or just to share my feelings at that moment.”*



## CODMAN SQUARE NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL'S

### *BOLD Teen's “Teen Leadership Networks to Reduce Health Disparities”*



Boston Public Health Commission Executive Director, Dr. Barbara Ferrer with members of the Codman Square Neighborhood Council and their BOLD Teens at a community health meeting

The BOLD Teens have become an integral part of the leadership of Codman Square Neighborhood Council and its Codman Square Health Council. Some accomplishments include:

- Organizing and hosting the “Health of Boston Report” Community Meeting with the Boston Public Health Commission.
- Partnering with the Louis D. Brown Peace Institute, the Safe Streets police officers, Boston Center for Families and Children, and Councilor Charles Yancey to do outreach to Wainwright Park and Codman Commons to “take back the parks” from inappropriate behavior.
- Outreach to neighborhood home owners to sign up for Renew Boston which provides weatherization of homes including air sealing and insulation.

*“The BOLD Teens knocked on my door in 20 degree, snowy weather....told me about RENEW Boston, and now this summer I have had my home insulated, received \$3,500 to pay for it, and I look forward to lower utility bills this winter. I love the BOLD Teens.”*

**– Mother of 5 on Centre Street**

- Continued anti tobacco efforts

*“Thanks to BOLD Teens I quit smoking last year, and now feel much better, and my family is so proud of me. I feel good about myself.”*

**– Joey, 21 years old**

## JAMAICA PLAIN COALITION'S TREE OF LIFE/ARBOL DE VIDA'S

*Gladys' Seniors in Action: an exercise program  
for older adults*

The goal of this program is to improve health and quality of life for minority seniors and any adult suffering from a chronic disease through exercise, social networking and health education.

### Quotes from Participants:

*"My name is Francisca Ortiz and I attend Gladys' exercise classes. I write this letter to express my feelings about the exercise that I attend. At the beginning of these classes I was not very motivated. It was something totally new for me. As time went by I felt more motivated. When I started the classes my health was not at its best, I had lots to struggle with like high pressure, pains on my bones, diabetes and other discomforts. With the continual attendance to the exercise classes I can say that I feel good with more energy and less pain on my bones. Another motivation is being surrounded by others which also helps with my depression. I would love to continue attending the exercise classes now that my health has improved."*

– Francisca Ortiz

*"I am 63 years old. In 2004 I had a heart attack and I spent 3 months in a wheel chair. Thanks to the exercises, walks and therapy I am feeling better. After starting the exercise class I feel better and more confident. Gladys not only instructs but she helps us to make sure everyone is comfortable with the exercise. I can finally use my hands to do dishes and laundry, something that used to be difficult. I hope to continue with the exercise program for the rest of my life."*

– Ana G. Adams



## Sample Evaluation Questions

*Gladys Senior in Action Exercising  
Program Questionnaire 2/2011*

### TOTAL:

64 respondents  
(92 attended at least 8 classes)

### QUESTION 4:

**Do you feel more confident that you can maintain your balance and remain steady when you walk up or down stairs since you started exercising?**

5% = 3.125%  
20% = 4.6875%  
40% = 15.625%  
60% = 18.75%  
80% = 15.625%  
90% = 25%  
100% = 12.5%  
N/A = 4.6875%

### QUESTION 6:

**Do you repeat the exercising routines at home?**

Nunca/ Never = 3.125%  
A Veces/ Sometimes = 45.3125%  
Casi Siempre/ Often = 28.125%  
Siempre/ Always = 14.0625%  
N/A = 9.375%



## ROXBURY COMMUNITY ALLIANCE FOR HEALTH'S (RCAH)

*Roxbury Weigh-In*



RCAH developed a twelve-week weight management and obesity program conceived to promote health education, healthy nutrition and fitness which was given twice during the year. Some of the participants commented:

*"I learned to focus on a routine and it was more comfortable to work out in a gym with people that look like me."*

– Sharon W

*"I really enjoyed the program and I always look forward to coming."*

– Aponte M

*"I learned a lot; I learned I must keep to the plan, what I should be eating and what exercise I should be doing."*

– Cilla A

*"I learned how to cut my portion sizes down."*

– Gaynisha B

## SOUTH END HEALTHY BOSTON COALITION'S

*Let's Live Healthy*

The Coalition conducted follow-up interviews in response to its 2010 Community Assessment wherein substance abuse was cited as one of the primary health concerns of the South End. To that end, Community members were then re-interviewed in an effort to gain more specific information related to reported substance abuse trends community members were witnessing. In response to the information gathered, which consistently cited concern over drug use in local South End parks, outreach teams from partnering organizations participated in planning groups and increased outreach efforts to those locations. Additionally, the Coalition reported the community findings to other South End organizations with outreach staff.

In an effort to address the additional top cited health needs reported in the community assessment, including lack of access to nutrition/exercise and sexually transmitted infection, the Coalition developed a campaign targeting local health care agencies, informing them of community assessment results and inviting them to partner and serve on the Coalition to engage in planning to address these health concerns.

*"We can improve the health of the community by working together, thank you"*

– South End business owner





## SOUTH BOSTON COMMUNITY ADVISORY NETWORK (SB CAN)'S

*South Boston Youth Assets Campaign  
Dissemination through Kaffe Klatch's*

In the Winter of 2009-10, the South Boston Community Advisory Network coordinated a project funded by BACH in which nearly 200 South Boston 6th- 8th graders were surveyed to assess the Drug Free Communities (DFC) Support Program's core measures that indicate community-level substance use and to measure the developmental assets of South Boston youth. Because of the great success SB CAN had with Kaffe Klatches (conversation groups) and Executive Summaries that outlined and shared the results of previous surveys, the coalition was awarded funding to produce a new executive summary for the 2010 survey results and hold over 20 KK throughout the South Boston community. It is through this project that SB CAN has been able to disseminate critical information about youth substance use and engage the many sectors of the community. The KK conversations have led to a greater understanding of the assets youth in South Boston have and in the role of stakeholders play in ensuring they reach their full potential. They also helped in the beginnings of forming a comprehensive network of support for youth and other community members alike to build a healthy neighborhood.



### One Coalition Member stated:

*“We held a KK at Community Day in November 2010. While a KK without fail always yields good conversation and participants connect on many levels, usually the participants are homogenous, either all being from the same organization, approximately the same age, or something similar. However, the Community Day event brought together an extremely diverse group. We were able speak for over two hours about substance use in South Boston, environmental strategies to prevent it and the survey results with a group of twenty people who ranged in age from 13 to 75, represented over six organizations, including the local WIC center and treatment center, and were from a myriad of racial, ethnic and socioeconomic backgrounds. The discussion was exceptionally rich and the group connected on a deep level that has helped build a stronger network to support youth development and a healthier South Boston.”*





BOSTON ALLIANCE *of* COMMUNITY HEALTH

# Financial Picture

In 2010, BACH supported 9 coalitions through mini-grants funded by Determination of Need funds for a total of \$143,750. In addition, BACH supported the strategic planning process consultation, began its Tobacco Coalition work through Communities Putting Prevention to Work funded by the Boston Public Health Commission, and continued the Breathe Free for Kids community research with funding from Harvard School of Public Health.

For many years until March of 2011, the Determination of Need funds that support much of the work that BACH does were managed by Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center's Community Benefits Director, Ediss Gandelman. We would like to express our sincere thanks for her diligence and hard work in keeping track of these funds while BACH developed its own infrastructure. All BACH funds are now managed by Health Resources in Action (HRiA), with whom, after many years of working together informally, BACH has a Memorandum of Understanding to provide financial, human resources, and other administrative services. During this year of transition, we are particularly grateful to HRiA staff Steve Ridini, Vice President for Community Health, Judi Foley, Director of Special Projects, and Tracy Desovich, Director of the Greater Boston Center for Health Communities for their contribution of time, hard work, and wisdom. BACH's offices are located in HRiA's office in Codman Square, Dorchester.

## FY 2012 BUDGET

*(July 1, 2011–June 30, 2012)*

### REVENUE

|                                   |                  |                    |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Determination of Need (DoN) Funds | \$542,490        | (55% of revenue)   |
| CPPW                              | \$350,000        | (35.5% of revenue) |
| Breathe Free for Kids             | \$93,211         | (9.5% of revenue)  |
| <b>Total:</b>                     | <b>\$985,701</b> | <b>(100%)</b>      |

### EXPENSES

|   |           |                           |
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| Consultant Services to Support Health Planning: | \$104,512 | (10.5% of total expenses) |
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### DIRECT COALITION SUPPORT AND SERVICE FUNDS

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| Coalition Infrastructure Support Fund  | \$35,000         |                                |
| Coalition Development Fund             | \$50,000         |                                |
| Health Planning and Improvement Grants | \$160,000        |                                |
| CPPW Tobacco Coalition Grants          | \$200,000        |                                |
| <b>Subtotal:</b>                       | <b>\$445,000</b> | <b>(45% of total expenses)</b> |

### PERSONNEL SALARY, FRINGE AND TAXES:

- Program Director
- CPPW Tobacco Manager
- Breathe Free for Kids Staff
- Admin and Supervisor

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| <b>Subtotal:</b> | <b>\$243,615</b> | <b>(25% of total expenses)</b> |
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| Miscellaneous                             | \$26,924  | (2.7% of total expenses)  |
| Allocated Operating and Overhead Expenses | \$163,992 | (16.6% of total expenses) |

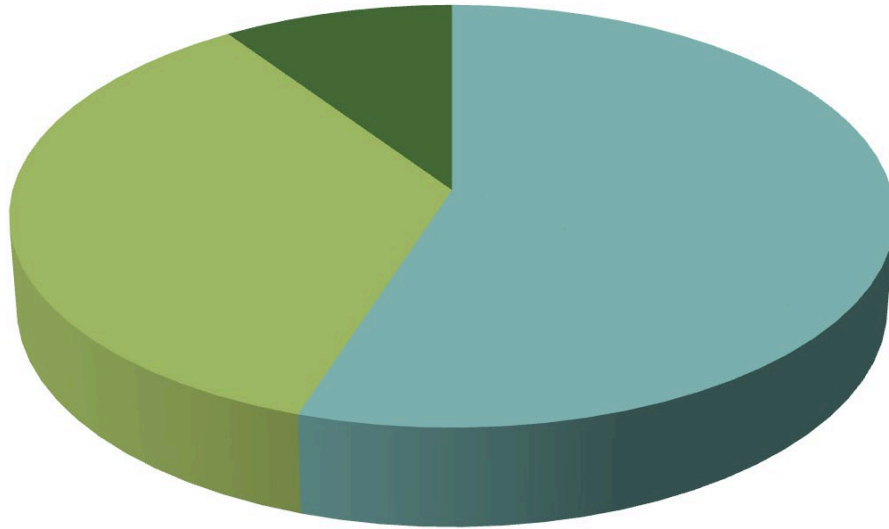
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| <b>TOTAL</b> | <b>\$984,043</b> | <b>(100% total)</b> |
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| Projected Surplus | \$1,658 |  |
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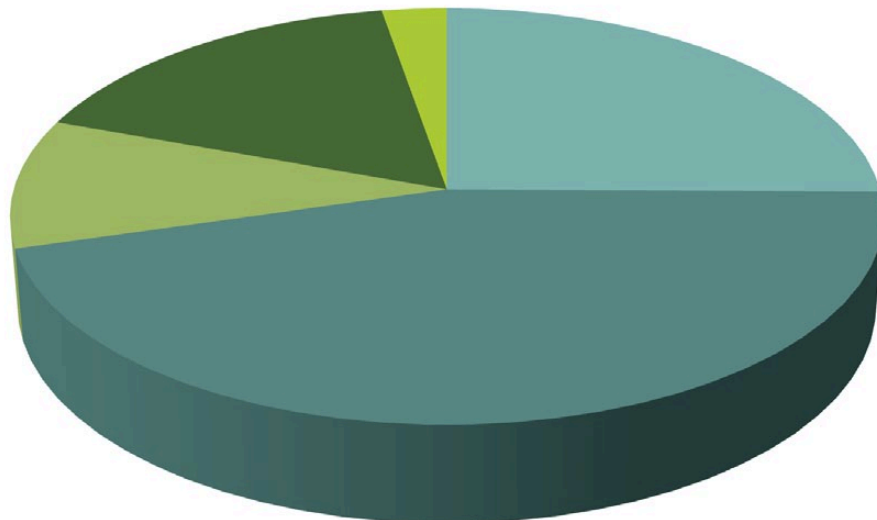
- Determination of Need (DoN) Funds
- Communities Putting Prevention to Work  
Tobacco Coalitions
- Breathe Free for Kids

**FY 2012 PROJECTED REVNUUE**  
*(July 1, 2011–June 30, 2012)*



- Personnel
- Direct Coalition Finanacial Support
- Consultants
- Administrative & Occupancy
- Miscellaneous

**FY 2012 PROJECTED EXPENSES**  
*(July 1, 2011–June 30, 2012)*



# Organizations Actively Involved

IN BACH'S WORK *in 2010-2011*



BACH hopes to expand the number and diversity of organizations and residents involved in our work. If you want to learn more about how to get connected, please contact **David Aronstein**, *BACH Program Director*, 617-279-2240 extension 509 or [daronstein@hria.org](mailto:daronstein@hria.org)

## Organizations who were actively involved in BACH's work in 2010- 2011



Allston Brighton Partnership for  
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Katie Krizman  
Lauren Antonelli-Zullo



Beth Israel Deaconess  
Medical Center

**Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center**  
Ediss Gandelman

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**Boston Asian Youth Essential Services**  
David Vo  
Will Li  
Jane Leung

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**Boston Public Health Commission**  
Pam Jones  
Margaret Pless–Hunter  
Odessa Ortiz  
Margaret Reid  
Gerry Thomas

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**Boston Public Schools**  
Jill Carter

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BRIGHAM AND  
WOMEN'S HOSPITAL

**Brigham and Women's Hospital**  
Michelle Keenan  
Wanda McClain

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**Carney Hospital**  
Mary Carroll  
Mary Truong

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**Charlestown Substance Abuse Coalition**  
Beth Rosenshein  
Jennifer Kelly  
Ruby Fevrier

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**Children's Hospital Boston**  
John Riordan

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**Codman Square Neighborhood Council**  
Bill Loesch

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**Conference of Boston Teaching Hospitals**  
John Erwin

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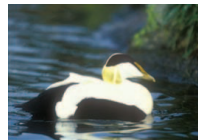
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**East Boston Adult Education Collaborative**  
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Hank Layfield  
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**Harvard Catalyst**  
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**JP Tree of Life/Arbol de Vida Coalition**  
Margaret Noce  
Katie Kelly-Hankin

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**Harvard School of Public Health**  
Robyn Keske  
Kevin Blaine  
Vaughan Rees

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**La Alianza Hispana**  
Janet Collazo

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**Healthy Roslindale Coalition**  
Steven Godfrey

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**Latino Health Institute**  
Carolina Trujillo

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**Harvard Street Health Center**  
Claudia Lirenzo  
Horace Shearer

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**Mass. Dept. of Public Health**  
Linda Shepherd,  
Justin Feldman, Intern  
Geoff Wilkinson  
Cathy O'Connor

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**Inquilinos Boricuas en Accion**  
Vanessa Calderon-Rosado,

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**Massachusetts General Hospital**  
Joan Quinlan

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**Massachusetts League of Community Health Centers, Boston Conference**

Paula McNichols  
Scott Mason

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**Nuestra Comunidad Development Corporation**

David Price

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**Massachusetts Public Health Association**

Valerie Bassett  
Maddie Ribble

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**Planet Mass CONECT**

Vish Viswanath  
Josephine Crisostimo

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**Project RIGHT**

Ra'Shaun Nalls  
Mike Koza  
Jorge Martinez

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**New England United for Justice**

Maude Hurd

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**Roslindale Medical and Dental Center**

Barbara Lottero

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**Roxbury Community Alliance for Health**

Dumas Lafontant

Mary Leite

James Brown

Shushana Thomas

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**Tufts Medical Center**

**Tufts Medical Center**

Sherry Dong

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**South Boston Advisory Collaborative Network**

Kay Walsh

Linda Doran

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**Steward Health**

James Corbett

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**South End Healthy Boston Coalition**

Alicia Casali

Cynthia Chase-MacNeil

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**United South End Settlements**

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