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LBFE Boston's Quarterly News



Hello!

The holiday season is upon us. A time to take a personal inventory of what we are thankful for, and appreciate the people in our lives. It's also a time of celebration and togetherness. At LBFE Boston, we are thrilled to be planning IN PERSON Thanksgiving celebrations to bring our intergenerational communities together for the holiday. We will have holiday parties across the city with activities ranging from service projects to holiday crafts to story-telling. We'll have a Thanksgiving luncheon sponsored by our friends at Hyatt Boston Harbor. We'll once again have rooms full of love and laughter to share the holidays with our friends, new and old.

In addition to the holidays, LBFE Boston is celebrating our own milestone. This fall we are hosting weekly programs in 30 public/affordable senior housing buildings and senior centers across the city. This is our intergenerational programs' biggest season yet! Our CitySites, Digital Dividends, and Creative Connections programs are all expanding, and bringing more opportunities for connection, friendship, and enrichment to low-income older adults. **Just last week in Jamaica Plain older adults taught Northeastern and Boston College students how to knit and crochet - just in time for the gift-giving season.** In Roxbury older adults helped students practice their Spanish during a competitive round of Dominos. In the South End students taught older adults how to use Google Translate. **In Dorchester older residents learned to Samba and danced across the floor.**

It's a joy to see intergenerational communities form and thrive across the city. Thank you for your continued support, during the holidays and all year round. By being a part of the LBFE family you're ensuring that older and younger people have the opportunity to meet and join in the celebration of life. Thank you.

Warmly,

Nikki Shults
Executive Director



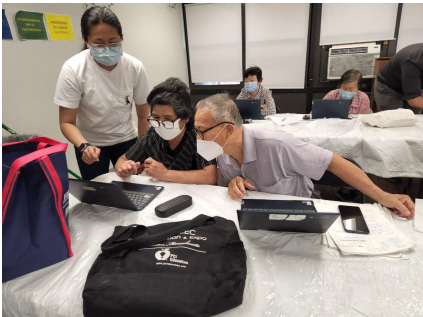
Boston Neighborhood Network Media visited our CitySites program at Smith House to meet with older and younger program participants, learn about the issue of social isolation, and witness firsthand the joy created by intergenerational friendships.

[Watch Here](#)

Digital Storytelling

LBFE is partnering with Northeastern's Digital Storytelling class this semester. Read Ananya Sankar's piece on the importance of intergenerational relationships and how friendships made through LBFE enrich the lives of older and younger people.

[Read Here](#)



Teaching Tech: Strategies for Building your Tech Literacy Program

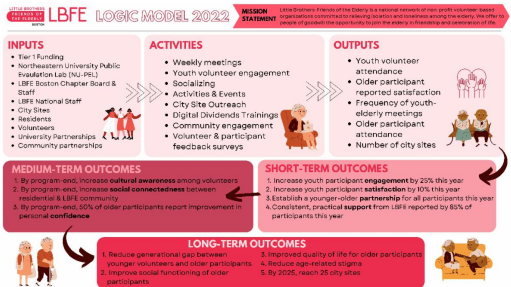
Tech literacy is essential for older adults now and in the post-pandemic world. Last month LBFE presented at the MCOA Annual Conference, teaching service providers to explore strategies for building a program that meets the needs of their membership.

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Program Updates

Through a partnership with Northeastern University's Public Evaluation Lab, LBFE has designed and implements a thorough, continuous evaluation plan. Our evaluation measures the desired short, mid, and long term outcomes for both older and younger participants as defined on our logic model. Take a look to learn more about our work!

[View Our Logic Model](#)





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