

The Foundation supports grassroots leadership development and institutional and policy change to address three specific racial justice issues of critical importance in Boston and Chelsea today. These grantees are developing grassroots leaders and activists of color, including immigrants and teens, and are working to advance policy and institutional solutions that can dismantle persistent, racialized economic disparities.

### Disrupt the “School-to-Prison Pipeline” in Boston & Chelsea

**The Aspen Institute**  
\$75,000

The Institute will be hosting the Forum for Community Solutions in May 2017 at the Boston National Conference on Opportunity Youth

**Boston Private Industry Council, Inc.**  
\$65,000

BPIC’s Youth Transitions Task Force advocates for adoption of positive alternatives to discipline in Boston Public Schools and lower suspension rates for youth in Boston

**Citizens for Juvenile Justice**  
\$120,000 (two-year grant)

CfJJ is working to decriminalize school offenses of “disturbing lawful assembly” and “disorderly conduct” and provide for the sealing of juveniles’ criminal records for certain offenses

**Lawyers’ Committee for Civil Rights & Economic Justice**  
\$35,000

The Committee educates parents on their rights under the MA Chapter 222 school discipline law and pursues admissions reform for Boston’s public exam schools to address unequal access

**Mass. Community Action Network (Youth Jobs Coalition)**  
\$60,000

The YJC will pursue juvenile records expungement and increased public and private sector funding for youth jobs

**Mass. Mentoring Partnership, Inc.**  
\$45,000

MMP advocates for the creation of “graduation coaches” in high schools with high dropout rates to close racial disparities in academic achievement

**United Teen Equality Center, Inc.**  
\$60,000

UTEC’s Teen’s Leading the Way Coalition advocates for legislation providing automatic expungement for youth up to age 21 sentenced for misdemeanors and expungement of non-heinous felonies by petition to a judge

### Reform & Adopt Policies to Advance Equitable Housing Access

**Boston Tenant Coalition, Inc.**  
\$70,000

BTC is a coalition of member-led organizing and other community groups advocating to strengthen inclusionary development and other policies that increase access to affordable housing

**Mass. Law Reform Institute, Inc.**  
\$100,000 (two-year grant)

MLRI is advocating for policies that support tenant rights and prevent housing displacement

### Expand Fair Wages/Benefits & Improve Working Conditions for Low-Income Workers

**Chinese Progressive Association**  
\$190,000 (two-year grant)

CPA’s Immigrant Worker Center Collaborative project has been working in coalition with several community-based organizations to develop a campaign and legislation addressing wage theft and sub-standard working conditions

**The City School**  
\$50,000

TCS’s Unmed Youth Coalition project is building a Boston youth movement to address issues of racial and economic justice by focusing on racial disparities in job opportunities and housing in Boston

**Four Corners Action Coalition, Inc.**  
\$70,000

FCAC’s Action for Regional Equity project involves community groups and activists working to ensure equitable access for residents of color to permanent jobs associated with the Wynn Casino Resort development in Everett

**Mass. Communities Action Network**  
\$60,000

MCAN is conducting grassroots leadership development on proposed state legislation to raise the minimum wage in the chain retail and restaurant sectors

The Foundation supports grassroots leadership development to build a strong base of civic activism on a range of issues important to local low-income communities. The following grantees are developing grassroots leaders and activists of color in Boston and Chelsea, including immigrants and teens, who are engaging collectively to identify priorities and advocate for change.

### Black Economic Justice Institute

\$30,000

BEJI is an emerging African-American led organizing group that has actively engaged community residents of color in advocating for living wage jobs in publicly funded developments in Boston. It has been a vocal advocate for a more equitable and enforceable Boston Resident Jobs Policy that would significantly increase access to construction jobs for minority and female workers living in Boston

### Boston Affordable Housing Coalition, Inc.

\$50,000

BAHC develops leaders to collectively organize to preserve the affordability of privately owned subsidized rental housing at risk of being lost due to expiring use restrictions and to engage in campaigns to increase affordable housing resources

### Center for Teen Empowerment, Inc.

\$50,000

CTE engages youth of color and low-income youth in Boston and other neighborhoods in grassroots leadership development and activism. CTE's youth leaders are focusing attention on creating positive relationships and mutual understanding between its youth members and Boston police officers, along with other issues of concern to its youth

### Centro Presente, Inc.

\$45,000

CP coordinates the Safe Communities Act Coalition that secured passage of Trust Act Ordinances in Boston and Lawrence, preventing local law enforcement from assisting in the deportation of non-criminal, undocumented immigrants. The coalition continues to advocate for municipal ordinances in Lynn and possibly in New Bedford, Haverhill, and other gateway communities

### Congregación León de Judá (Agencia ALPHA)

\$30,000

AA is a Latino faith-based provider and advocate for immigrant integration services, including ESL and citizenship classes. It supports its leaders and activists in organizing the broader community with respect to immigrant rights issues

### Fourth Presbyterian Church

\$30,000

The Church's Youth Organizing Project successfully engages youth leaders and activists of color to collectively identify and take action to address community issues of concern, including the displacement of low-income families and the growing problem of substance abuse in South Boston

### Health Resources in Action

\$30,000

Health Resources in Action's Collaborative Parent Leadership Action Network (CPLAN) develops parent leaders to advocate for quality education for Boston children with a focus on culturally responsive and trauma-informed schools

### Hyde Square Task Force

\$50,000

HSTF's youth organizers are developing a campaign to expand the availability of arts education in Boston Public Schools. The group is also working to secure public resources to recognize Hyde Square as Boston's cultural "Latin Quarter"

### Mass. Immigrant and Refugee Advocacy Coalition

\$65,000

Developing immigrants and refugees as leaders, MIRA's issues of concern include inclusive and equitable municipal policies and the prevention of local police from detaining and assisting in the deportation of non-criminal, undocumented immigrants

### Muslim American Society of Boston, Inc.

\$30,000

An Islamic faith-based center in Roxbury Crossing, the group is working collaboratively to address shared concerns about the lack of municipal attention and resources to address trash issues in the abutting streets and lots as well as traffic and safety issues generated by a local business

### Project R.I.G.H.T.

\$55,000

Agency is a coalition of community residents and associations addressing a range of issues identified by Grove Hall residents including equitable access to transportation and education

### Sociedad Latina, Inc.

\$50,000

SL develops the leadership of low-income Latino youth in Roxbury and Mission Hill through its Youth Community Organizing (YCO) program; youth are advocating for cultural proficiency and student-centered learning in Boston Public Schools

### South Boston en Acción, Inc.

\$40,000

SBEA is a member-driven organization building connections and leadership among Latino families; SBEA engages, trains, and organizes residents to collectively advocate for just and equitable resources in the South Boston community