

THE LENNY ZAKIM
FUND PRESENTS

UNTOLD STORIES:

TALKIN' ABOUT
A SOCIAL JUSTICE
REVOLUTION

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**With much appreciation,
respect, and gratitude,**

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UNTOLD STORIES: TALKIN' ABOUT A SOCIAL JUSTICE REVOLUTION

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

WELCOME REMARKS

Natanja Craig Oquendo, Host
Executive Director, Boston Women's Fund

STORYTELLERS

Challenging Perceptions of Transgender People
Tre'Andre Valentine, Executive Director
Massachusetts Transgender Political Coalition

*Embracing Cultural Beauty and Discovering
Self-Worth*

Neysa Franklin, Peer Leader
Chica Project

Finding Forgiveness and Redemption
**Armand Coleman, Co-Founder
and Executive Director**
Transformational Prison Project

MUSICAL PERFORMANCES

By Kaovanny
Tu Sabe
War Cry
Free

FEATURED STORYTELLER AND SPECIAL REMARKS

Congresswoman Ayanna Pressley
The United States House of Representatives

REMARKS

Eric Esteves, Executive Director
The Lenny Zakim Fund

Suzi Kaitz, Chair
Tim James, Vice Chair
The Lenny Zakim Fund's Board of Directors

CLOSING REMARKS

Natanja Craig Oquendo, Host
Executive Director, Boston Women's Fund





DEAR FRIENDS,

On behalf of The Lenny Zakim Fund (LZF) Board of Directors, I want to thank you for joining our community tonight to hear captivating stories of resistance, resilience, and change at the premiere of our film, *Untold Stories*. I believe it takes a special kind of confidence and determination for folks to share the challenging experiences that have shaped their lives, while also expressing the emotions and exposing the baggage they've carried along the way. I am deeply grateful to our storytellers for their courage, generosity, and inspiration.

I was first drawn to LZF when I heard about The Fund's commitment to listening to those who are most impacted by inequity, racism, and lack of access. It continues to inspire me that our founder, Lenny Zakim, knew that the best solutions would be found among those who have lived closest to that pain. I came to realize that if I wanted to be a part of creating change, I would be most effective if I continued to listen closely, remained open to learning, and helped to support and center the community activists who are breaking down systems of injustice while finding new pathways toward equity for all.

I invite you to join The Lenny Zakim Fund on this journey as I can't think of a better vehicle or a more critical time to not only talk about creating a social justice revolution, but to stay deeply engaged in it.

While the need for personal, organizational, and systemic change has been particularly evident over the past couple of years, I am proud to report that LZF's board and staff has taken that call to action to heart. We've not only continued to provide our usual funding, technical assistance, and many other services to dozens of grassroots organizations who are focused on social justice, we supported many more through our COVID-19 Emergency Response and Recovery Fund.

Though we've worked virtually for nearly two years, we were able to diversify our staff, our board, and board committees so that our leadership now represents the groups and issues that have been at the center of LZF's work since our very beginning.

Tonight, you will witness how hardship can help to shed light on the humanity that exists in and around us all. I want to acknowledge the many individuals, foundations, and corporations who are beacons of that light and continue to step up and make our work possible. I am profoundly grateful for all you do and hope you will continue to support The Lenny Zakim Fund, our talented staff, and many grantee partners in any way you can. I truly believe that if we remain steadfast and work together, we can help to heal the world.

Please remember to take care of yourselves as you care for others.

With warmest wishes and deep gratitude,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Suzi".

Suzi Kaitz
Board Chair, The Lenny Zakim Fund



DEAR FRIENDS,

Last year, The Lenny Zakim Fund (LZF or The Fund) was thrilled to celebrate our 25th anniversary. That's more than two and a half decades of grantmaking, partnering with grassroots leaders and their organizations, and working tirelessly to advance social, economic, and racial justice. Over that period of time, we've proudly awarded nearly \$10 million in grants to more than 350 organizations.

And now, in our 26th year, The Fund's work to support and bring visibility to grassroots leaders and organizations who are "below the radar" continues in earnest. These organizations are often in the nascent stage of their development and not visible to other individual or institutional funders. Untold Stories, our new signature event, is our way of shining a spotlight on a mix of well-known and rising leaders in our communities by inviting them to share their compelling personal stories of resistance, resilience, and change in their efforts to champion social justice.

The theme of this year's Untold Stories is "Talkin' About a Social Justice Revolution," which in many respects sums up the times in which we are living and our response – as concerned members of the community – to issues that are affecting the underserved and under-represented. Criminal justice reform, voting rights suppression, and transgender rights, just to name a few. The stories you will hear touch upon some of these issues, as told from the first-person perspectives of a young peer leader, two nonprofit executive directors, and a United States congresswoman. All of whom in their own way are working towards justice and equity for their neighbors.

As you listen to these Untold Stories, I ask you to listen with an open ear and an open heart and hope you will be inspired by what you hear.

Listening is a key part of The Lenny Zakim Fund's mission: To listen to those most impacted by inequity and provide the funding, essential resources, and support they need to create lasting change.

Finally, I'd like to extend my sincere appreciation and thanks to everyone who made this inaugural Untold Stories event so successful – from our storytellers, to Congresswoman Pressley, to Kaovanny and her band, to our host Natanja Craig Oquendo, to you, our sponsors, guests, donors, Bridge Builders, current and past board members, and friends. Thank you for making it possible for The Fund to continue fulfilling Lenny's legacy of responsiveness and solidarity. We could not do any of this without you!

With gratitude,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric". The script is fluid and cursive.

Eric Esteves
Executive Director

LISTEN & BE INSPIRED



Natanja Craig Oquendo, Host

Executive Director, Boston Women's Fund

Natanja is the executive director of the Boston Women's Fund (BWF) (www.bostonwomensfund.org), a progressive foundation that supports community-based organizations and grassroots initiatives run by women and girls in order to create a society based on racial, economic and social justice. Founded in 1984, BWF was the first women's foundation in Massachusetts and is one of the oldest of the over 145 nonprofit women's foundations in the United States.

A nonprofit professional with 20 years of experience, Natanja has spent the majority of her professional career in the philanthropic sector, most notably at the Boston Foundation where she built the organization's Grassroots Strategy from the ground up. Prior to joining the Boston Women's Fund in 2020, she worked as the Vice President of Community Partnerships for The Possible Project where she led outreach efforts to ensure deep engagement with local leaders, families, and organizations. Natanja has also held positions with Fidelity Investments, The Partnership, Inc., and the Urban League of Eastern Massachusetts.



Armand Coleman

Co-Founder and Executive Director, Transformational Prison Project

Armand is the co-founder and executive director of the Transformational Prison Project (TPP) (www.transformprison.org), a current LZF grantee partner. TPP's mission is to provide spaces where those who have been harmed and those who have done the harming can come together and engage in dialogue – to build understanding and empathy towards those who have been victims of violent crime. TPP is committed to understanding individual harms and the systemic harms that affect communities, more specifically communities of color. TPP addresses and ends cycles of harm through restorative dialogues.

Armand became involved with restorative justice in 2013 while incarcerated at MCI Norfolk and a year later co-founded the Transformational Prison Project. He was subsequently paroled in 2019 and then assumed the role as TPP's first executive director in 2021. In addition to being a lead facilitator and circle keeper at TPP, Armand leads restorative justice circles and mentors youth through Roxbury District Court's CHOICE Program. He is Community Outreach Coordinator at Communities for Restorative Justice. He is a former coordinator for the Bridge Project at Everyday Boston, where he remains a volunteer to this day. He is also a member of the Harvard Kennedy School's Roundtable on Racial Disparities in Massachusetts Courts and facilitates circles for first year law students at Harvard Law School.



Neyssa Franklin

Peer Leader, Chica Project

Neyssa Franklin is a peer leader with the Chica Project (www.chicaproject.org), a former LZF grantee partner. Founded in 2011, Chica Project is a strength-based leadership program rooted in cultural competency that provides mentoring and career/college coaching to young Latinas and Women of Color in Boston and other communities throughout Massachusetts.

Neyssa immigrated to the United States from Haiti with her parents when she was an infant. She became involved with the Chica Project while as a student at Cathedral High School in Boston when she was chosen by the Chica Project to be a peer leader of a newly launched program at the school. She credits the Chica Project with helping to build her confidence and leadership skills and also for allowing her to fully embrace her identity and cultural beauty as a young Haitian woman. Now in her early 20s, Neyssa continues to be actively involved with Chica Project as a peer leader to high school students. Neyssa recently graduated from Dean College and looks forward to earning her bachelor's degree and pursuing a career in nursing.



Tre'Andre Valentine

Executive Director, Massachusetts Transgender Political Coalition

Tre'Andre Valentine is the executive director of the Massachusetts Transgender Political Coalition (www.masstpc.org), a current LZF grantee partner. Founded in 2001, MTPC's mission is to ensure the wellbeing, safety, and lived equality of all trans, nonbinary, and gender expansive community members in Massachusetts.

Tre'Andre is a queer, transgender, indigenous Carib Indian, South Asian and Black immigrant from the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago. They have over 10 years of experience in supporting LGBTQ+ survivors of domestic violence, grassroots organizing, community engagement, fundraising, training facilitation, educational programming and development (specializing in anti-oppression and LGBTQ+ inclusion). Tre'Andre has served as MTPC's executive director since 2019; prior to that they served as a long-term MTPC volunteer, including as a member of the organization's steering committee.



Congresswoman Ayanna Pressley

The United States House of Representatives

Ayanna Pressley is an advocate, a policy-maker, an activist, and a survivor. On November 6, 2018, she was elected to represent Massachusetts' 7th Congressional District in the United House of Representatives, making her the first woman of color to be elected to Congress from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Representative Pressley believes that the people closest to the pain should be closest to the power, and that a diversity of voices in the political process is essential to crafting more effective public policy.

Prior to assuming her current role in the United States Congress, Ayanna served as an At-Large Member of the Boston City Council from 2010 to 2018. She is the first woman of color to be elected to the Boston City Council in its 100-year history.



Kaovanny

An Afro-Latina singer/songwriter and rapper from Boston.

Her music represents a hybrid, Spanglish generation. She seamlessly fuses the colorful sounds and movement from her Afro-Dominican upbringing, as well as the wise Black artists who raised her across several musical genres.

Kaovanny's first shared body of work, 'Tres' – released in January 2020 – is a fusion of Latin/Jazz, R&B/Hip Hop music. Kaovanny will be releasing her debut album called 'AguaCaoba' in the fall of 2021. For more information about upcoming shows, music, and custom merchandise and to sign up for her mailing list, please visit www.kaovanny.com.

For LZF's Untold Stories, Kaovanny performed the following songs, accompanied by Evelyn Blush (guitar and vocals) and Obi One (percussion).

'Tu Sabe' - Song from Kaovanny's first EP, 'Tres' Latin - fusion/ Hip Hop about questioning her purpose and accepting the assignment as an artist at the same time.

'War Cry'- Unreleased reggae song about keeping the faith in our spirit guides and utilizing our ultimate potential. Also serves as a motivator to rebuild a traumatized nation.

'Free' - Unreleased song that poses the question of what we really think it means to be free while providing Caribbean sounds that take you into the second part of the song where it celebrates the freedom to dance, sing, love, and be self.

LZF MISSION STATEMENT

The Lenny Zakim Fund's mission is to listen to those most impacted by inequity and provide the funding, essential resources, and support they need to create lasting change.



We have the power to change things. It doesn't take much to start a revolution of thought and spirit. It takes one person and then another. When it works, it's a work of art.

– Lenny Zakim, Founder

LZF CORE VALUES

The work of The Lenny Zakim Fund is guided by the following principles:

SOCIAL JUSTICE - All that we do is based in our deeply held belief that social justice is equity and that the fundamental rights, well-being and dignity of all people must be recognized, upheld, and celebrated.

GRASSROOTS LEADERSHIP - LZF is inspired by and respects the power and ability of those most impacted by injustice to bring about change.

DIVERSITY AND BELONGING - We embrace a culture of inclusion and belonging, one that seeks out and welcomes the voices of those with diverse life experiences and intersectional identities.

LEARNING - We firmly believe that continuous, active and reciprocal learning is critical to promoting awareness and creating a solid foundation for change.

BRIDGE BUILDING - We are committed to bridging real and perceived difference, and to creating strong and lasting relationships that are fundamental to progress.

RESPONSIVENESS - Emerging challenges that impact those we serve require an acceptance of risk and an ability to adapt and respond as rapidly as possible.

LOVE - Love is at the heart of philanthropy. Love and compassion motivate and sustain the spirit of those who partner with LZF and remain dedicated to justice for all.

ABOUT THE LENNY ZAKIM FUND

Since 1995, the Lenny Zakim Fund (LZF or The Fund) has worked side-by-side, in solidarity with grassroots organizations by developing deep relationships and building bridges among people and communities to advance social, economic, and racial justice. LZF strengthens grassroots organizations and community leaders through technical training, coaching and counseling, pro bono legal services, networking, and grantmaking.

The Fund is a trusted partner and convener of social justice programs and enables grassroots leaders to create powerful change in their own communities throughout eastern Massachusetts in seven funding areas:

- Access to Food, Housing, and Economic Security
- Children and Youth Development & Education
- Civil and Human Rights Advocacy and Support
- Health Promotion and Accessibility for All
- Organizing and Support for Immigrants & Refugees
- LGBTQIA Community Support & Organizing
- Violence Prevention, and Criminal Justice Reform, and Family Outreach

Our work with grassroots leaders and their organizations reflects our founder Lenny Zakim’s legacy and vision for The Fund: “They have the will. They have the creativity. But they lack the means. We give them the means.” Overall, LZF has awarded nearly 1,400 grants totaling approximately \$10,000,000 to 350+ nonprofit organizations.

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365Dad Inc.	Feminine Empowerment Movement Slam	My Brother's Keeper 617
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African Bridge Network	Groundwork Southcoast	PieRSquared
African Cultural Services	Hands to Heart Center – Yoga for the People	Rachel's Table
Ansaar of Worcester, Inc.	Healthy Waltham	Resilient Sisterhood Project
Attleboro Area Interfaith Collaborative	I Have A Future	Right to the City Boston
Autism Sprinter Inc.	Institute for Pan African Cultural Education – PACE	Saheli, Support and Friendship South Asian Women
Black and Pink, Massachusetts	Kids in Tech	Sibling Connections
Boston Affordable Housing Coalition	Living Independently for Equality	Sitters Without Borders
Brazilian Women's Group	Lynn Worker Center	Somali Parents Advocacy Center for Education Inc. – SPACE
Building Bridges Through Music	LYSOA (Lynn Youth Street Outreach Advocacy)	Southcoast LGBTQ Network
Center for Cooperative Development and Solidarity	Massachusetts Coalition of Domestic Workers	SpeakOUT Boston
Centro Comunitario de Trabajadores	Massachusetts Transgender Political Coalition	Student Immigrant Movement
CodeSquad	Matahari Women Workers' Center	THRIVE Communities of MA
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Community Economic Development Center of SE-MA	Muslim Justice League	Top Notch Scholars, Inc.
Empowering People for Inclusive Communities		Transformational Prison Project
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THE LENNY ZAKIM FUND'S

COVID-19 Emergency Response and Recovery Fund Grant Recipients (Summer 2021)

In 2020, The Lenny Zakim Fund launched our COVID-19 Emergency Response and Recovery Fund in order to provide critical support to both our current and former grant recipients that need additional funding in order to maintain staff, services, and programs. During the past two summers, LZF has collectively awarded \$517,925 in grants from our COVID-19 Emergency Response and Recovery Fund in five rounds of grant funding to nearly 90 current and former grantee partners. The following is a list of the current and former grantee partners who received \$170,000 in grants from our COVID-19 Emergency Response and Recovery Fund during the summer of 2021:

Aaron's Presents	Dreamfar High School Marathon
Africano Waltham	Greater Boston Chapter of United Spinal Association
All Dorchester Sports and Leadership	Hands to Heart Center – Yoga for the People
American Chinese Christian Educational and Social Services – Chinatown ACCESS	Hawthorne Youth & Community Center
Ansaar of Worcester	Healthy Waltham
Asian Women for Health	Hebron Food Pantry
Attleboro Area Interfaith Collaborative	Institute for Pan African Cultural Education – PACE
BalletRox	Kids in Tech
Black and Pink Massachusetts	Level Ground Mixed Martial Arts
Black Economic Justice Institute	Massachusetts Coalition of Domestic Workers
Boston Cancer Support	Matahari Women Workers' Center
Boston Project Ministries	Mount Olives Community Center
Brazilian Women's Group	OUT MetroWest
Building Bridges Through Music	PieRSquared
Center to Support Immigrant Organizing	Refugee Immigration Ministry
Centro Comunitario de Trabajadores	
Community Caring Clinic	



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Sibling Connections
Sisters Unchained
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for Education – SPACE
Southcoast LGBTQ Network
Top Notch Scholars
Union of Minority Neighborhoods

THANK YOU

UNTOLD STORIES SPONSORS

The Lenny Zakim Fund Board of Directors and staff would like to express our sincere appreciation to the sponsors of our inaugural Untold Stories event.

Love in Action

Suzi Kaitz and Jonathan Katz
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The Lenny Zakim Fund's Board of Directors and staff would like to thank the following individuals who helped to make our Untold Stories event possible:

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Kaovanny

Kaovanny Holguin,
Lead Singer and Songwriter

Evelyn Blush, Guitar and Vocals

Obi One, Percussion

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Tre'Andre Valentine

The Lenny Zakim Fund expresses its gratitude to Dr. Geralde Gabeau, her team, and all the volunteers at the Immigrant Family Services Institute for their hard work and the love, caring, and support that they are providing to the Haitian community both here and abroad during this time of great need.



Join us in celebrating Chica Project's 10 year anniversary by contributing at any amount to reach our goal of \$26,000 by going to bit.ly/CP10years

We've made it this far because of our commitment to community and social change and your unconditional support.

We are so grateful for your continued partnership and dedication to our youth.
¡Gracias!

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Our mission is to close the opportunity divide for Latinas and other Women of Color by empowering them with the skills, confidence, and network necessary to thrive personally and professionally.



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Massachusetts Transgender Political Coalition (MTPC) works to ensure the wellbeing, safety and lived equity of all trans, nonbinary, and gender expansive community members in MA.

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Proud to partner with The Lenny Zakim Fund in its revolution of thought and spirit.

Michael and Manisha Eckton

We are humbled by the incredible work of The Lenny Zakim Fund and honored to support this Untold Stories event.

Joan Lenington and Rob Sherman

LZF has helped thousands of people of all ages overcome challenges to find a better place in our society.

We are so happy to be a part of the “family” and to continue to contribute to the social justice revolution that Lenny envisioned.

Kalman and Ellen Heller

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THE LENNY ZAKIM FUND

- **Become a Bridge Builder**
- **Participate in site visits with prospective grantees**
- **Host a “friendraiser” event**
- **Share your expertise**
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“They have the will. They have the creativity, but they lack the means. We give them the means.”

– Lenny Zakim, Founder of
The Lenny Zakim Fund

“The laws and policy only go so far. It is really about a culture shift. A deep look at who we value in our society and how we value people as well. My dream for the trans community, the future really, is a life of fluidity. A life where we don’t have to prove who we are. We just see each other as people and for who we are, for our character.

– Tre’Andre Valentine, Executive Director,
Massachusetts Transgender Political Coalition

“I’m blessed that the Chica Project was there to help me find my identity [as a Haitian girl], my interests, and what I want to do in life. They made me realize I am worth more.”

– Neyssa Franklin, Peer Leader, Chica Project

“In founding the Transformational Prison Project, I wanted to create something where the formerly incarcerated can have a place to go that knows their unique needs, helps them to navigate the hurdles they face as a returning citizen, and gives them the opportunity to practice the restorative justice skills that they learned on the inside.”

– Armand Coleman, Executive Director,
Transformational Prison Project

“Massachusetts’ 7th Congressional District is a vibrant, diverse, and dynamic district and one of the most unequal in our country. We need organizations like The Lenny Zakim Fund supports to harness the innovation and brilliance in the district and to help us in doing the deep work necessary to root out these systemic inequities and disparities. Supporting The Lenny Zakim Fund and these organizations feels personal. It feels tangible. It feels real and meaningful.”

– Representative Ayanna Pressley (7th District)

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THE WELCOME PROJECT
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FAMILIES FOR JUSTICE AS HEALING
LEGENDARY LEGACIES
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RESILIENT SISTERHOOD PROJECT
BLACK AND PINK MASSACHUSETTS
FEMINE EMPOWERMENT MOVEMENT SLAM(FEMS)
MASSACHUSETTS TRANSGENDER POLITICAL COALITION
SOUTHCOAST LGBTQ NETWORK
SPEAKOUT BOSTON**

**Congratulations to
The Lenny Zakim Fund
and their remarkable
grantee partners.
You impact the lives of
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communities each year.**

**Thank you to all who
give their time and treasure
to this critical work.
It could not be done
without you.**

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The Kaitz-Katz Family**



The Lenny Zakim Fund
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NOVEMBER 17, 2021

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