









DSNI Sustainable & Economic Development Highlights

Harry Smith was recently brought on as our new Director of Sustainable & Economic Development as well as Dudley Neighbors Incorporated

Publication and distribution of "For The People, By The People", the best practices booklet for maximizing resident, minority, female and minority/women owned business enterprises on construction projects

Actively engaging neighborhood associations and abutters about responsible liquor store practices including banning the sales of "nips"

Partnership with The Food Project and ACE to create Dudley Real Food Hub to expand neighborhood access to fresh healthy food through farmers markets, backyard gardens, and the community greenhouse, and to engage youth and families in activities that promote healthy eating and fitness

Designation as a Principal Neighborhood Partner in Choice Neighborhoods Initiative to connect families to economic opportunities and secure agreements from local developers to maximize construction hours for local residents, minorities and women on neighborhood development projects

Partnership with Project Hope and neighborhood schools to engage and support homeless students and families

Get Involved With DSNI Sustainable & Economic Development!

DSNI Sustainable & Economic Development Committee

DSNI Sustainable & Economic Development Committee meets the fourth (4th) Thursday of every month, 6:30pm at DSNI to review local development projects to ensure that they meet the community's vision

No Child Goes Homeless Campaign

The No Child Goes Homeless initiative is creating strong network of neighborhood partners, institutions, schools, and city agencies to provide crisis intervention, resources, and organizing support to ensure that no child in target area goes homeless

Dudley Workforce Collaborative

The Dudley Workforce Collaborative meets to ensure that resident, minority, female and minority/women owned business enterprise work hours are maximized on neighborhood construction projects

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DSNI Community Empowerment Highlights

With support from the Ford Foundation DSNI established the Dudley Learning Center. The Center will be a capacity building place for the field

Dudley Children Thrive launched "Word Build", an early literacy campaign to help build the vocabulary of Dudley children

Dudley Children Thrive launched a radio show, *Prugrama Primerus Palavras*, (107.1 FM or <u>www.radionhaterra.com</u>) to further promote early literacy in the Cape Verdean community

DSNI's Resident Development Institute offered three modules from their Leadership Competency Series and will be designing and piloting additional modules over the next year

Gaining Ground, the follow up to the documentary about DSNI, Holding Ground, will be screened Thursday, August 16th, 8pm at Dudley Street Neighborhood Charter School (former Emerson School)

Get Involved With DSNI Community Empowerment!

DSNI's Civic Engagement Work

DSNI's civic engagement work focuses on strengthening the community's voice by registering voters and working for public policies and budget priorities consistent with the community's vision

Word Build Campaign

Dudley families coming together to pledge to: build our kid's vocabulary, encourage creative & critical thinking skills, help them feel strong & powerful and to bond with our kids as often as possible so they know, without question, that they are loved

DSNI Resident Development Institute

DSNI's Resident Development Institute (RDI) has developed a set of core leadership competency training modules. Topics include: Values, Vision & Power, Community Organizing, Developing Leaders, Meeting Design & Facilitation, Resource Development, Public Policy Advocacy and Strategic Thinking & Planning

DSNI Walk for Dudley

Meets during the summer and fall to plan DSNI's annual Walk for Dudley. This year's walk is on **Saturday**, **September 22nd and** includes a community walking tour of the Dudley Neighborhood as well as a 5k running component. Each year we recruit walkers to help us to raise money for DSNI but there is also an opportunity to raise money for your own organization.

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DSNI Youth Opportunity & Development Highlights

Dudley Street Neighborhood Charter School (DNSCS) was officially awarded its charter and opened its doors on September 5th with 132 kids in grades k1, k2, and 1st

Launched Reading Buddies at Haynes Early Education Center with 5 volunteers reading to kids before school

DSNI, Roxbury Presbyterian Church and Fidelity Investments organized Dearborn Saturday School with 27 volunteer tutors working with 65 students

DSNI organized Burke Saturday School for 24 students of which all who attended at least six sessions passed the MCAS when retaking it

DSNI sent 275 letters of encouragement to 8th and 10th graders before taking the MCAS

DSNI Youth Community Organizers organized the Youth Jobs Rally through GOTCHA and YJC Boston bringing over 1,000 youth to the State House to advocate for funding

The Roxbury Film Festival showcased 3 of the Dudley Youth Council films that explored bullying, teen relationships, and the influences of media

DSNI employed 7 youth organizers during the school year and over 40 young people this summer

Get Involved With DSNI Youth Opportunity & Development!

DSNI Education Committee

Engages parents and families in the issues facing students in the Boston Public Schools and education reform

Get Hyped Campaign

Strives to get youth motivated about their education future and life

L.O.V.E. Campaign (Learning Our Value in Education)

Engages community members in learning and educational outcomes of youth in our neighborhood

Dudley Youth Council

Neighborhood youth formed the Dudley Youth Council (DYC) with the mission to establish a united youth voice in the Dudley area, motivating and empowering young people to better the local and broader community through positive action.

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