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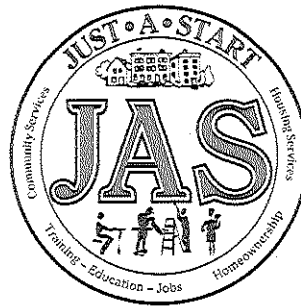
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Youth on the Move



Just-A-Start is a nonprofit community development corporation dedicated to providing opportunities in training education, community service, job and school placement, and affordable housing in urban communities.

Since 1968, Just-A-Start has been helping youth and adults in Cambridge, Boston, Somerville, and 18 surrounding cities and towns, offering a range of services, resources, and technical assistance that focus on six areas of need: (1) community building; (2) training and human development; (3) stabilizing occupied housing and preventing homelessness; (4) developing and maintaining affordable housing; (5) fostering economic development; and (6) identifying and obtaining funding and resources.

FOCUS ON YOUTH AND ADULTS

Training the youth and adults from urban communities is a core goal of all the Just-A-Start programs, offering work experience, education, and counseling services.



• Just-A-Start provides training for more than 350 youth and adults each year.

These training programs include the following:

• **YouthBuild/Just-A-Start** offers out-of-school youth, ages 17 to 24, the opportunity to make tangible contributions to the community and to take positive steps in their own lives, through basic education and high school diploma preparation, leadership development, and career goal-setting. The youth give back to the community through work on housing rehabilitation and construction, while at the same time learning employment skills. This is an AmeriCorps® program.



- **Teen Living & Transition Program for Young Mothers.** This provides education, multiphased training and housing options for young mothers and includes a Mentor Program and a Next Step Up House.
- **Futures for Young Parents** provides vocational awareness, life goals counseling, and basic education and GED preparation for pregnant and parenting teens.
- **Cambridge TeenWork** is a private-sector job program targeted at students, ages 16 to 18, who attend Cambridge high schools and are seeking after-school and summer jobs. It provides employment-readiness training and matches students with career-related jobs.
- **JAS Summer Program** for youths, ages 14 to 19, provides a combination of academic enrichment, life skills building, and work experience for youth of different backgrounds. Service to the community is offered by JAS.
- **Career Connection** is a year round program aimed at improving school attendance and performance among 9th grade students who are at risk because of academic performance or failure on MCAS tests.
- **BioMedical Careers Initiative** offers academic classes, computer lab, biomedical laboratory training, job counseling, and placement in a collaborative training program administered by JAS in partnership with Bunker Hill Community College. This program serves young people and adults.

CORE HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS OF JAS

★ HOUSING DEVELOPMENT

These programs produce affordable rental units and first-time homebuyer ownership alternatives for income-eligible working families and individuals. Long-term affordability is a primary goal. Multiple sources of below-market funding are required.

★ STABILIZING HOUSING

These programs provide technical assistance and below-market financing for code-level rehabilitation for income-eligible owners and tenants, as well as problem-solving, mediation, and resource-finding services for property owners and tenants, all contributing to retaining existing low-moderate income occupancy in occupied housing and helping to prevent homelessness.

★ COMMUNITY BUILDING

These programs involve volunteer tutors, mentors, community advocates, networkers, service providers, and program advisors, and also help to obtain program funds and in-kind resources.

★ ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Just-A-Start training programs help people to become better prepared to enter the labor force, or to pursue further training or education related to vocation-specific careers. Housing development and stabilization programs, as well as training programs, create jobs in construction, rehabilitation, lead abatement, community service, and housing management.

PURPOSE OF THE WALK

Just-A-Start training and housing programs require funding from multiple sources to retain the comprehensive scope and quality of services needed to achieve program goals.

The purpose of the "Youth on the Move" Walk is to develop one additional means of raising public awareness and private support funds for affordable housing, training, education, counseling, and the job-readiness needs of youth and families in urban communities.

USE OF FUNDS CONTRIBUTED

Contributions raised by Walkers will be used to help fund JAS education, counseling, and training programs, and stabilization and development of affordable housing. The contributions of Sponsors of the Walk will be used for these purposes and toward the expenses of implementing this event.

Contributions are tax-deductible.

HELP KEEP YOUTH ON THE MOVE!

To find out how to get involved in the Seventeenth Annual Just-A-Start "Youth on the Move" 5K Walk, please contact Barbara or Laurie at:

(617) 494-0444

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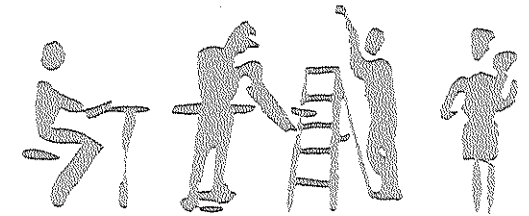
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Youth-on-the-Move
5K Walk

ALONG THE CHARLES RIVER

Saturday, October 8, 2011

Registration Time: 9:00 A.M.

Walker Memorial Hall, M.I.T.



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