

# 2021 Impact Report

Our mission is to collect and preserve the history of Boston's lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer (LGBTQ) communities, and to share that information with LGBTQ+ individuals, organizations, allies, and the public. Learn more at [historyproject.org](http://historyproject.org).

## Documenting & Preserving

### In 2021, we:

- Launched the Black Queer Boston Project. See more at: <http://historyproject.org/project/black-lgbtq-boston>
- Preserved 10 collections capturing the history of Provincetown, lesbian motherhood, nightlife, and the AIDS Action Committee

**LGBTQ+ history isn't just paper records!** 2021 ephemera donations include a Marilyn Monroe drag lookalike contest diorama, lesbian t-shirts, Paradise matchbooks, the Gen X Bears Boston banner, and a copy of *Gay Monopoly!*

## Sharing & Outreach

### In 2021, we:

- Held 15+ events on topics including immigration, trans history, and gay authors
- Honored John Ward, attorney and founder of GLBTQ Legal Advocates and Defenders, and Tre'Andre Valentine, Executive Director of the Massachusetts Transgender Political Coalition at the HistoryMaker Awards (in person!)
- Participated in a New England Archivists-led Day of Service transcribing queer oral histories
- Assisted students and historians with research on the history of LGBTQ youth organizing, publications, bars, and other Boston-related topics

Catch up on all our virtual events:  
[youtube.com/historyprojectboston](https://www.youtube.com/historyprojectboston)

## Operations, Grants, and Donors

### In 2021, we:

- Continued to virtually engage with volunteers and welcomed our first researchers back into the archives
- Hosted a fellow and a consultant with the support of Mass Humanities

### Expenses:

\$158,813.00

### Income:

\$171,463.00

521 gifts from 266 donors: \$44,872

Grants: \$90,029

Speaking Engagements and Events: \$29,613

License/Product Sales: \$6,949

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