

The History Project: Documenting LGBTQ Boston

2022 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.

Documenting & Preserving

In 2022, we:

- Moved our office to Boylston Street in Copley Square. Learn more about our move: http://tiny.cc/inc5vz
- Assisted students and historians with research on the history of LGBTQ youth organizing, publications, bars, and other Boston-related topics
- Preserved collections of papers and books from writers Pat Gozemba and Karen Kahn, AIDS Action materials donated by Michael Connolly, records, photos, and ephemera from the LGBTQIA+ Aging Project, and the archives of journalist Chuck Colbert.

Sharing & Outreach

In 2022, we:

- Held our first-ever LGBTQ+ community picnic with re-enactments of historic speeches
- Hosted virtual conversations with LGBTQ+ authors, activists, publishers, historians, park rangers, tarot readers, and more!
- Honored Arline Isaacson, longtime co-chair of the Massachusetts GLBTQ Political Caucus, and K.J. Rawson, Director and Founder of the Digital Transgender Archives at the HistoryMaker Awards.

Catch up on all our virtual events: youtube.com/historyprojectboston

Operations, Grants, and Donors

In 2022, we:

- Hired Sam Valentine as our first Director of Archives & Outreach
- Received our largest-ever grant: \$350,000 from the Mellon Foundation to build THP's capacity and sustainability.
- Received a 2022-2023 Association of Fundraising Professionals-Cummings Fellowship and joined the Nonprofit Net's Leadership Acceleration Program.

Expenses:

\$191,947

Income:

\$192,984

415 gifts from 171 donors: \$64,413

Grants: \$94,578

Speaking Engagements and Events: \$32,681

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