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.

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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