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Haley House 50th Anniversary Celebration December 2-4, 2016

This year Haley House celebrates fifty years of offering hospitality, transforming strangers into friends, and serving food with purpose. We will mark the occasion during the weekend of December 2-4, 2016, with a full schedule of events reflecting on the last 50 years and anticipating the journey in the coming years.

“We are excited to welcome our friends and neighbors from the last 50 years for this weekend,” said Executive Director Bing Broderick, “to both reflect and look forward, envisioning the changes we want to see in our community in the next 50 years.”

The weekend begins with a family-friendly folk concert featuring Charlie King, Bev Grant and friends on Friday, December 2 at Boston College High School in Dorchester at 7:30 pm. Charlie King has performed each holiday season at Haley House for nearly 40 years, and this year he will bring along friends to accompany him; this family-friendly event is always a crowd pleaser! For more information or tickets, go to: www.charliekinghh50.bpt.me

On Saturday, December 3 we will gather at the Bruce C. Bolling Municipal Building in Roxbury for a 50th Anniversary Forum comprised of two panels at 10:30 am and two panels at 1 pm. The panels will focus on topics of social justice that have been central to Haley House during its 50-year history: Homelessness and Housing, Incarceration, Food Access & Health, and Social Justice & Activism. We will serve lunch from Haley House’s Dudley Dough at noon for those attending the panels. The panels are free and open to the public. Attendees are asked to register for their choice of panels on Brown Paper Tickets. Lunch can be ordered in advance for $10. To register, go to: www.hh50forum.bpt.me

On Saturday evening, beginning at 6:30 pm, we will return to BC High for a 50th Anniversary Celebration, with dinner, dancing and a short program to honor co-founder of Haley House, Kathe McKenna, whose vision has spirited Haley House to challenge the status quo and boldly construct solutions to the issues of injustice and poverty in Boston. Several of Boston's finest chefs will be serving up appetizers followed by a buffet dinner from Haley House Bakery Cafe. Dessert will follow, and the evening will close with dancing to the music of the Fulani Haynes Jazz Collaborative. Tickets for this event are $65 with a
sliding scale rate also available. For more information or to reserve tickets, visit 
www.hh50.bpt.me.

We will close the weekend on **Sunday, December 4** with a time of **spiritual reflection** in 
the Bruce C. Bolling building beginning at **10 am**, with the program beginning at **11 am**, 
led by Lama Rod Owens and Reverend Christine Evans. This event is free and open to 
the public.

We hope that you will join us for the festivities. For out-of-towners, we have reserved a 
limited number of hotel rooms at a highly discounted rate at the Doubletree Suites next to 
Boston College High School. Reserve soon if you are interested. For details, go to 
www.haleyhouse.org/50years.

**About Haley House:** Since our beginning in 1966 we have believed in finding radical 
solutions to systemic social problems by addressing them at their roots, challenging the 
attitudes and structures that perpetuate suffering and injustice. Founded a soup kitchen 
and shelter in the Catholic Worker tradition in 1966, Haley House now stands committed not 
only to direct services - a soup kitchen, meal for elders, and food pantry - but also to other 
critical needs in our society: we have developed more than 100 units of permanent, 
affordable housing in the South End; established urban agricultural programs in both the 
South End and Roxbury; and spearheaded the development of two social enterprises, the 
Haley House Bakery Café, and Dudley Dough.

**Weekend Schedule:**
Friday 12/2 7:30 PM @ Boston College High School, Dorchester 
Haley House 50th Anniversary Folk Concert with Charlie King and Bev Grant

Saturday 12/3 10:30-2:30 PM @ Bruce C. Bolling Municipal Bldg, Roxbury 
Haley House 50th Anniversary Forum

Saturday 12/3 6:30 PM @ Boston College High School, Dorchester 
Haley House 50th Anniversary Dinner

Sunday 12/4 10 AM @ Bruce C. Bolling Municipal Bldg, Roxbury 
Haley House 50th Anniversary Gathering and Reflection

For press releases on events during the 50th Anniversary Weekend, go to 
www.haleyhouse.org/50media