



Newsletter: November 2017

What's happening at Dimock?

A Note from Our President & CEO:

Greetings Dimock Family!

I hope you've had a wonderful start to your holiday season!

This time of year is quite busy for everyone, including us here at Dimock. We are in the midst of our Annual [Holiday Gift Drive](#) and [Holiday Appeal](#), which provide critical support to our families and community. We have also assembled [Team Dimock](#) for the 122nd Annual Boston Marathon on April 16th, 2018. Please consider supporting these wonderful efforts in order to continue our comprehensive work within our community. For more ways to give, visit our [website](#).



There is so much to be thankful for at this time of year. I would like to express my gratitude to you for your dedication to The Dimock Center. Your support ensures that we can continue to provide holistic, integrated care to all who need it.

As always, please feel free to email me at OfficeofthePresident@dimock.org.

Happy Holidays!

Myechia Minter-Jordan

Warmest regards,
Myechia Minter-Jordan, MD, MBA
President & CEO



Dimock Events



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Holiday Appeal

[Learn more](#) about the Freeman family and the generations of care they have received at The Dimock Center.

Holiday Gift Drive

There is still time to participate in our annual Holiday Drive! Visit our [website](#) for more information. Need gift ideas? Visit our Amazon [wishlist](#).

Team Dimock

Meet our 2018 Boston Marathon participants and [learn more](#) about how you can still get involved with the team.

KUDOS TO YOU!



Raquel Rosenblatt, Vice President of Institutional Advancement and Sanofi Genzyme Communications Fellow Shay Zukowski

Sanofi Genzyme Fellowships

Thank you to our dedicated Sanofi Genzyme fellows for their significant support for our work across the organization. [Learn more](#) about the innovative Fellowship program and its impact.

Programs & SERVICES



World AIDS Day

World AIDS Day takes place on December 1st of each year. It's an opportunity for people worldwide to unite and remind the public and government that HIV has not gone away - there is still a vital need to raise money, increase awareness, fight prejudice and improve education. [Learn more](#) about one Dimock employee who plays a vital role in our community.

For Three Generations, Dimock Made the Difference!



The Freeman Family

Lisa Freeman has been coming to The Dimock Center for the better part of her 52 years. As children living in the Wellington Hill area of Roxbury, she, her three sisters and her brother came to Dimock for their pediatric care. For Lisa, that tradition carried on. Through her five pregnancies, Dimock's OB/GYN and Pediatric teams were the people she could count on to keep both she and her children healthy and strong.

As the children - a brood that now includes her five children and her stepson - grew, each of them enjoyed life with Dimock under the special care of their pediatrician, Dr. Nandini Sengupta, Medical Director of Health Services.

Lisa and her kids took advantage of all services in the health center, from the dental clinic - which Lisa recalls as the only place her son, scared of dentists, would come with excitement - to the eye care clinic to the on-campus pharmacy. "All my kids and now my granddaughter, little Adrianna, have known Dr. Sengupta, or Dr. S., as they affectionately call her."

"The staff, especially Nurse Sheila [Gibbons, in pediatrics], talk to us as if this is not a job. They like being there; Dimock feels like a community, like a family. My kids and I have always sensed that. And now whenever my daughter has a concern about my granddaughter, she calls them any time and someone always gets back to her in five minutes."

"You can't find that kind of care anywhere else."

Though Lisa now lives in Hyde Park and her daughter and granddaughter live in West Roxbury, they still come to Dimock for the care and services we offer.

"I've been going to Dimock's campus as long as I can remember. You know, I was always there with my kids. I received WIC support for a time; today my dentist is there, my eye exams are there...I will even wait for my prescriptions at the pharmacy rather than getting them closer to my house because I like the people."

Her life today is, as she puts it, "Crazy!" With a mix of older children and young, an aging father and now a beautiful granddaughter, Lisa never stops moving. But somehow, when supper is on the table every night, all the kids seem to find their way back home. "It's a family, you know?"

"That's the great thing about Dimock, and why I will always support them. They're like family."

Please support our Holiday Appeal [here](#) to ensure that we provide all families with this multi generational care.

Living a Purposeful Life

For the past eight years, Stephen Corbett has worked at The Dimock Center's Community Care Clinic as a Peer Advocate and Outreach Worker. Diagnosed with HIV in 2005 (and also in recovery), Stephen feels blessed that he was given the opportunity to help others who are living with HIV, including those in recovery from substance use.

Serving people living with HIV and AIDS, the clinic, based in the Health Center, includes a team of physicians, nurses, medical case managers and peer advocates who provide comprehensive care and support to patients annually. Community Care staff take pride in treating patients with dignity and ensure that they receive the best treatment to meet their complex needs. Services are provided in English, Spanish and Haitian-Creole. Dimock's Community Care Clinic can be reached at 617-442-8800 ext.2000.

"I love working at Dimock because we offer so many high quality services to our patients," says Stephen. "The holistic approach is critical for positive outcomes. Often times, people live in isolation because of abandonment by their family and loved ones. At the Community Care Clinic, we provide patients with everything from mental health support and substance use treatment to family services, and legal and financial assistance. Patients come back year after year. That speaks volumes about Dimock."



Stephen Corbett, Peer Advocate and Outreach Worker

As we prepare to mark World AIDS Day on December 1, we thank Stephen and the entire Dimock Community Care team for their dedication and care for people living with HIV and AIDS.

Designated in 1988, World AIDS Day is an opportunity for people to unite in the fight against HIV, show support for people living with HIV, and to remember those who have died from an AIDS-related illness. Worldwide, there are an estimated 36.7 million people living with HIV. More than 35 million people have died of HIV or AIDS since the virus was first identified in 1984, making it one of the most destructive pandemics in history. In Massachusetts, 20,911 individuals are living with HIV, of which an estimated 25% (4,200) are unaware that they have the virus.

The Dimock Center will mark World AIDS Day with an awareness event on December 14th from 12:00-2:00 PM on the 4th Floor of the Cheney Building.

We are so excited to have been selected once again to participate in the [John Hancock Non-Profit Marathon Program](#)! This year, the Boston Marathon will be held on Monday, April 16, 2018. Thank you to John Hancock for this incredible support.

TEAM DIMOCK

November 28th was the annual #GivingTuesday - a global day of giving back to your community. Thank you to everyone who supported Team Dimock and made this day such a success. With your help, Team Dimock raised [\\$6,555](#). Thank you!

Give to Team Dimock



Isioma Chukwu

This marks the third year Isioma has run the Boston Marathon for Team Dimock. A Manager in Financial Planning & Analysis/Strategy at Tufts Health Plan, Isioma is excited to run again this year as their representative. Isioma enjoys being able to give back to our country's healthcare system in her own unique way.

Linda Annan

This will be Linda's first year running the Boston Marathon with Team Dimock. Already an avid runner, this will be her first full marathon. Linda is a physical therapist at Bay State Physical Therapy and works closely with individuals from the Dorchester, Roxbury and Jamaica Plain communities every day.



Anita Morson-Matra



Anita is a new member of Team Dimock and this will be her first year running the Boston Marathon. Anita works to support the health and validity of communities through policy and planning efforts within Roxbury and neighboring communities. Anita is extremely excited to increase the visibility of the services offered at Dimock.



Yvonne Garcia

Yvonne is also new to Team Dimock and we are thrilled to welcome her to the team! Yvonne is Global Head of Client Solutions and PMO at State Street Corporation and serves as the National Chairwoman for the Association of Latino Professionals of America (ALPFA). Yvonne is a multiple marathoner and inspiration to all.



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