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Save the Harbor/Save the Bay Awarded \$37,000 to Several East Boston Organizations

Save the Harbor/Save the Bay awarded \$37,000 to several East Boston organizations to fund free beach events as part of Save the Harbor's Better Beaches program partnership with the Department of Conservation and Recreation. This year's Eastie grant recipients include the East Boston YMCA, The Harborkeepers, Piers Park Sailing Centers, Mutual Aid Eastie, and the New Leaders Council Boston.

Events this year will include free movie nights, DJ sets, circus performances, bike rides, Asian, Latin-American, and Afro-Arabian cultural nights, physical and mental wellness workshops, beach parties for kids and teens, beach wheelchairs, mobility mats, and grants to organizations that promote racial justice, access for people with disabilities, language accessibility, public safety and swimming safety.

"It's going to be a terrific summer, with more free events and programs than ever before," said Executive Director of Save the Harbor/Save the Bay, Chris Mancini. "Working with our program partners, we intend to highlight the racial and cultural diversity of our region and amplify our core messages of public safety, inclusion and fun. Above all, we want our beaches to be safe and healthy places for everyone to enjoy. Diverse and welcoming programming is a key piece of that effort."