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ISAAC YABLO

Senior Advisor for Community Safety for the City of Boston

Isaac serves as the Senior Advisor for Community Safety within the Mayor's Office. His job is to convene and coordinate citywide departments and community organizations on behalf of the Mayor to advance safety, prevent violence, address trauma, and increase justice in Boston.

Isaac is a scholar, researcher, and social justice advocate who has a passion for working on issues that pertain to underserved and marginalized populations within the Greater Boston area. With extensive experience providing strategic assistance to community and government agencies on a plethora of social ills, Isaac has been able to have a direct impact on efforts that aim to improve the quality of life issues for residents across the entire commonwealth. Most recently, Isaac served as the Policy and Research Director for the Mayor's Office of Black Male Advancement. While in the role, Isaac worked with the Executive Director to track, analyze, and make recommendations on local, state, and federal public policies and legislation that affect Black men and boys in Boston. He also helped other City departments ensure equitable access for Black men and boys in their programs and policies.

Before that, Isaac served as the Data and Impact Specialist for SOAR Boston, a program which utilizes an evidence-based approach to reduce recidivism, intervene in violent activity, and create pathways for active gang-involved youth and young adults in the city.



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A proud product of Cambridge, Massachusetts, Isaac holds a BA in Sociology from Howard University, an MA in Applied Sociology from UMass Boston, and is currently a PhD Candidate in Sociology at UMass Boston. An avid supporter of all things 617, Isaac resides in Hyde Park with his wife Rebecca, and their dog Daisy.

BOSTON 250 AND BEYOND: A CITY OF FIRSTS, A FUTURE OF POSSIBILITIES' PANEL

2:00 PM – 3:00 PM

Boston's story is one of bold beginnings — and even bolder futures. Join us for Boston 250 and Beyond, an energizing conversation moderated by Kenny M. Mascary, Interim Chief of Arts and Culture for the City of Boston. This dynamic panel will feature trailblazing leaders shaping Boston's next chapter: Ebony Gill, Founder of Boston Urban Archive; Jerren Chang, President & CEO of Partners in Democracy and Co-Founder of GenUnity; and Isaac Yablo, Senior Advisor for Community Safety in the Mayor's Office. Together, they will explore Boston's rich and complex history — celebrating its spirit of innovation while confronting the challenges that remain — and share bold ideas for creating a more inclusive, equitable, and vibrant future. As Boston marks 250 years of democracy, discover how today's changemakers are redefining what's possible for the next generation.

