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**Literacy Task Force, City of Boston**

Zoom Meeting

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January 15, 2026, 10:00am-10:45am

**Task Force Members**

- Dr. Edith Bazile, Black Advocates for Educational Excellence
- Yorsalem Brhane, BINCA
- Manuel Coronado, Immigrants Lead Boston alum
- Lori D'Alleva, Charlestown Adult Education
- Xiomara Gomez, Gardner Pilot Academy Adult ESOL program
- Lee Haller, English for New Bostonians
- Nicole Simeon, Bunker Hill Community College, First Literacy Scholar
- City Councilor Julia Mejia, *ex officio*
- Gayana Daniel, Office of Language and Communications Access, *ex officio*
- Papa Diop, Boston Centers for Youth and Families, *ex officio*
- David Leonard, Boston Public Libraries, *ex officio*
- Dorie Withey, Boston Public Schools, *ex officio*
- Monique Tú Nguyen, Mayor's Office for Immigrant Advancement, *ex officio*
- Trinh Nguyen, Worker Empowerment Cabinet, *ex officio*

Facilitator, Dr. Elizabeth Santiago, *The Untold Narratives*

**City of Boston Staff for Task Force**

- Mariangely Solis Cervera, Chief of Equity and Inclusion
  - Jeniffer Vivar-Wong, Director, Mayor's Office of Language and Communications Access
  - Robbie (Deborah) Adams, Training and Development Manager, Mayor's Office of Language and Communications Access
  - Erika Garcia, Research & Data Manager, Mayor's Office of Language and Communications Access
  - Brittany Barrett, Executive Assistant, Mayor's Office of Language and Communications Access
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## Meeting Goals

By the end of this meeting, we will:

1. Continue to build community as Literacy Task Force members,
2. Discuss recommendations by Northeastern University students, which they presented at the last Literacy Task Force meeting on December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2025,
3. Identify recommendations we can tackle and ones we have to put on hold, and
4. Discuss another potential opportunity to partner with a Northeastern University Policy Capstone Team.

## Agenda

10:00-10:05: Settle in, welcome, quick review of agenda.

10:05-10:35: Review of recommendations and discuss opportunities for us moving forward.

10:35-10:40: Discuss potential opportunity to partner with a Northeastern University Policy Capstone Team.

10:40-10:45: Next steps, schedule next meeting, and wrap-up