

This Garden Will Need Many Hands



Get Involved

- Make a gift to support the work of the Peace Garden
- Join the planning committee
- Naming the garden
- How do we utilize the space
- Involving our neighbors
- Volunteer in the space once ready
- Bring your gardening skills to keep this space beautiful and thriving

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Peace Garden *at the* First Church Roxbury

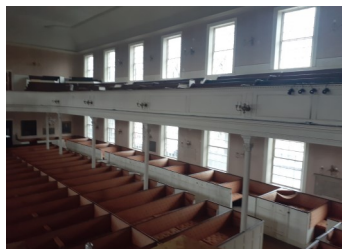


Who We Are

- The UU Urban Ministry is one of the oldest social service organizations in the country.
- We serve and support the Roxbury neighborhood through our programs for youth and survivors of domestic violence, and we host arts and humanities programming that brings people together to make change.
- We work with a membership of nearly 50 Boston-area Unitarian Universalist congregations.
- Our process is participatory. Program participants and Roxbury residents are actively involved in decision making.



Our Campus



- The UU Urban Ministry is located in John Eliot Square and boasts one of the largest green spaces in Boston's Roxbury neighborhood.
- The current Meetinghouse, built in 1804, is the oldest standing wood-framed churches in Boston.
- The original Meetinghouse was constructed in 1632; this is the fifth church building at this location.
- There is no longer an active congregation. Instead, the building and grounds serve as a community center.

Our Programs

- After-school enrichment programming for high school students.
- Youth-led historic walking tours of John Eliot Square.
- Safe shelter and job-readiness training for survivors of domestic violence.
- Racial justice workshops that empower UU youth to be leaders in their community.
- Arts and humanities programming that brings people together and leverages

Visit our website for more information about our programs: www.UUUM.org

An Untended Canvas



The Peace Garden

PLANNING:

Meetings: discussions of the site, participant priorities, and design options, led by experienced landscape designer including input from:

- ◇ local residents
- ◇ survivors of domestic violence
- ◇ experienced gardeners
- ◇ building maintenance staff
- ◇ Year-long planning process
- ◇ 2 full design reviews



A GARDEN FOR HEALING & PEACE THAT:

- Offers both the public and the UUUM's program participants a safe, beautifully designed space for enjoyment and reflection
- Invites visitors to look outward toward the city while enabling inward reflection and self-renewal
- Is accessible for all!
- Provides color and seasonal interest using small trees and a groundcover of bulbs and native woodland plants
- Uses low shrubs to provide safe, subtly enclosed spaces for visitors

