

CALL TO RESIST: Housing Justice

Lent 3: Week of March 20

Housing justice is a basic human right too often only ascribed to some. Here in Boston, many groups, congregations and legislators are working hard to ensure housing becomes a right experienced by all, and to put an end to homelessness. Take some time to learn about some of the incredible groups working for such justice, and take action in solidarity as indicated.

- Homes for All MA: [Take action here to declare](#) Housing is a Human Right and demand foreclosure and eviction moratoriums: <https://www.homesforallmass.org/act/> Take action [regarding ending the ban on Rent Control in MA](#)
- [Mass Coalition for the Homeless](#): This incredible group works to chart, follow and help others advocate for legislative priorities around housing justice here in MA. [Here is their detailed list of bill priorities](#) for 2022. Here is a [smaller PDF summary](#). [Here is their detailed list](#) of FY23 Budget priorities. Please scroll through and choose 1-2 or more of these to advocate for by contacting one of your local legislators. To find your state senator and rep, [please click here](#). Also, learn about the push to create a [The Homeless Bill of Rights](#).
- [Boston Displacement Mapping Project](#): Learn more.
- [common cathedral](#) offers weekday programming concerning the needs of the unhoused in downtown Boston. Pray for this sibling congregation.
- COTC participates annually with the **WinterWalk** that has resources, podcasts, videos, etc. all about ending homelessness in Boston in this lifetime. (www.winterwalkboston.org)
- **Action4Equity** (<https://www.action4equity.org/housing-justice.html>) is an online resource for awareness of local coalitions that advocate for housing justice in the greater Boston area.
- **Affordable Boston** (<https://www.affordableboston.org/>)
- **Mass Housing and Shelter Alliance** www.mhsa.net.
- **Boston Faith Leaders for Housing Justice**: (Rev. Rob active in its leadership) Leaders for Housing Justice is a coalition of Boston area faith leaders collecting and sharing information about issues facing Boston's unhoused individuals as demonstrated by the failure of systems that resulted in untenable conditions at Mass and Cass in 2021. We equip congregations to ignite a ministry of presence to those suffering through housing crisis. Collaborating with organizations, institutions, and public agencies, we seek to share a prophetic voice and engage congregations in the work of creating housing justice. [Advocate for Senate Bill 2612 "Everybody Needs ID". Read & Act.](#)