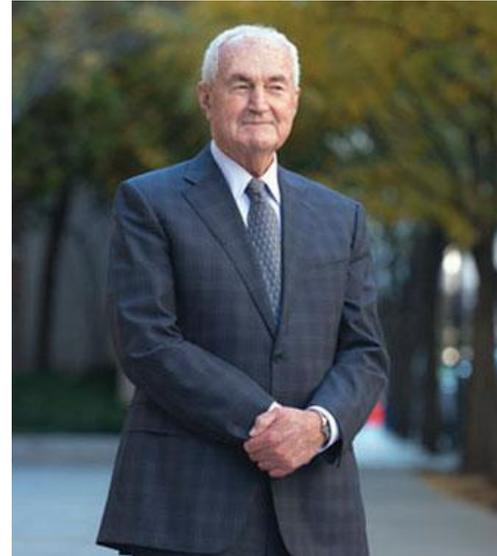




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Creating Places to Call Home

## March Housing News



### Achievement Awards Announced

Save the date! **This year's Distinguished Achievement Awards Event will be held on Thursday, June 15th.** The 2017 honorees are two exceptional men who are dedicated to affordable housing. Massachusetts State Representative Kevin Honan has served as the Chairperson of the Joint Committee on Housing for more than 12 years and has been deeply involved with initiatives to help low income families keep roofs over their heads. Joseph E. Corcoran is the chairman of Corcoran Jennison, as well as the founder of the nonprofit The American Cities Coalition and the Corcoran Center for Real Estate and Urban Action at Boston College. We're excited to honor both of these outstanding individuals.

Be sure to mark June 15th on your calendar for what is sure to be a memorable evening. Please email Liz Vincensi at [liz@bbhousing.org](mailto:liz@bbhousing.org) if you are interested in sponsorship opportunities.



### Gen2Gen Hosts Professor Ed Glaeser

Edward Glaeser, author and Fred and Eleanor Glimp Professor of Economics at Harvard University, spoke to a full room of housing leaders Monday evening at a dynamic event hosted by BBH's Gen2Gen program. Prof. Glaeser spoke about housing prices and the economics of cities, and prompted a lively discussion on local housing challenges.



Gen2Gen is B'nai B'rith Housing's program for young professionals under 40. Members are emerging leaders in the real estate industry, government, and the nonprofit sector and are brought together by their deep commitment to finding innovative housing solutions for the Greater Boston area. We are thrilled to have such a talented and committed group working with BBH on area housing challenges. If you'd like to learn more about Gen2Gen, please contact [liz@bbhousing.org](mailto:liz@bbhousing.org).

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## Legislators Visit The Coolidge

State Senator Jamie Eldridge and State Representative Carmine Gentile recently visited The Coolidge at Sudbury. As committed advocates for The Coolidge, they decided to stop by for a tour and see for themselves how quality affordable housing can impact Sudbury residents. It is with their support and the support of the community that The Coolidge continues to thrive. Thank you to Senator Eldridge and Representative Gentile for supporting housing options in Sudbury!



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## Are you a YIMBY?

You may have heard of the term "NIMBY", but do you know about the counter-cry of the "YIMBY's"? 'Yes In My Backyard' is a growing movement that recognizes the dire need for more housing in many urban areas. These local, pro-housing groups have been springing up all over the country with Boston on the forefront. Susan Gittelman's latest op-ed in Banker & Tradesman explores this growing trend and the potential positive impact.

[Read more here](#)



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## Celebrating Chinese New Year in Brighton

BBH's Covenant House properties have vibrant and inclusive communities that celebrate the diversity of residents throughout the year, but Chinese New Year is something special! With such a large number of residents that are Chinese immigrants, the party has become a lively annual tradition at Covenant House. Festivities this year included a traditional lion dance performance followed by a Chinese banquet.

Thank you to all the Covenant House staff and residents who worked so hard to provide this celebration for everyone to enjoy.

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*Our housing, both rental and home ownership, is for young families and older adults regardless of religion or background.*