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The Greenway Conservancy Board at their annual fundraising event, Gala on The Greenway

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**Rose Kennedy Greenway Conservancy Announces Two New Board Members
and Two New Officers for 2026**

January 23, 2026 – BOSTON, MA – The Rose Kennedy Greenway Conservancy, the non-profit organization responsible for the management and care of The Greenway, is proud to announce the addition of two new members to its volunteer Board of Directors: Samira Ahmadi and Anita Yip. The Conservancy is also pleased to announce the election of two new officers to its Board.

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The 21 members of the Greenway Conservancy's Board of Directors are nominated by community groups, government agencies and officials, the Greenway Business Improvement District, and the Conservancy. Samira Ahmadi was nominated by the Greenway Conservancy, and Anita Yip was nominated by the Chinatown Resident Association.

Through their diverse perspectives, expertise, and shared passion for The Greenway, these committed volunteers work to support the Conservancy's mission and sustainability.

"We are proud to welcome Samira and Anita to the Board of Directors. Their leadership, expertise, and deep commitment to inclusive and sustainable public spaces will strengthen our stewardship of The Greenway and help guide its future as a vibrant place that reflects and serves the communities it belongs to," said Hilina D. Ajakaiye, MBA, CDME, who is continuing her service as Chair of the Board of Directors of the Rose Kennedy Greenway Conservancy.

In addition to welcoming new board members, the Conservancy is pleased to announce the election of two new officers. Jenny Harding, General Manager of Faneuil Hall Marketplace, has been elected as Vice Chair, having previously served as the Conservancy Board's Clerk. Midori Morikawa, Head of Corporate Citizenship, Managing Director at State Street, has been elected as Clerk. Kirsten Hoffman, General Counsel at Beacon Capital Partners, is also continuing her service as Treasurer.

Samira Ahmadi

Nominated by the Rose Kennedy Greenway Board of Directors, Ahmadi is the Founding Principal of enviENERGY Studio LLC. Her practice focuses on sustainability strategy and energy performance analysis for both new construction and existing building retrofits. With more than 15 years of experience in energy and sustainability consulting, Samira has been leading a wide range of small- and large-scale projects across the country, including spearheading the sustainability efforts for two notable master plan developments in Boston: Longwood Place Phase 1 and Allston Labworks. She holds a Master of Science in Building Performance and Diagnostics from Carnegie Mellon University, a Master of Architecture, and a Bachelor of Science in Architectural Engineering. To date, she has overseen sustainability consulting for more than 10 million square feet of development nationwide. Samira has served on the USGBC Massachusetts Chapter Board of Directors, and she currently serves on the Board of Trustees at the Boston Architectural College.

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Anita Yip

Nominated by the [Chinatown Resident Association](#), Yip is a citizen artist and community engagement practitioner committed to expanding access to civic life and public service. Through her practice, Project Asian Joy, she invests in community by using public art and creative programs to elevate underrepresented stories, strengthen cultural visibility for Asian and Asian American communities, and inspire civic participation.

With over a decade of experience spanning healthcare technology and nonprofit leadership, Yip brings a people-centered, cross-sector approach to community building. She has launched initiatives, including the Jasmine Asian Women Giving Circle and Waves of Joy Public Writing Circle, creating platforms that center lived experience, affirm community knowledge, and cultivate collective care and belonging.

Yip has served on civic leadership and advisory bodies and nonprofit boards, including the City of Boston's SPARK Boston Council, Commonwealth Seminar, Massachusetts Promise Fellowship, and Friday Night Supper Program. She has also been recognized for her leadership as one of the City of Boston's EXTRAordinary Women, Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce's Ten Outstanding Young Leaders, and COLOR Magazine's Power 40 Under 40.

Born in Boston, Yip holds degrees from Wellesley College and Northeastern University and currently resides in Chinatown.

For a complete list of the Greenway Conservancy's Board of Directors, visit www.rosekennedygreenway.org/board.

About The Greenway and the Greenway Conservancy (www.rosekennedygreenway.org)

The Rose Kennedy Greenway is a contemporary public park in the heart of Boston and one of the most visited attractions in the Commonwealth, welcoming millions of visitors annually. The Greenway is managed by the Greenway Conservancy, a non-profit responsible for the administration and care of the park. The majority of the Conservancy's annual budget is made up of generous donations from the community, and it is with their support that the Conservancy cultivates a gathering space where all are welcome and celebrated.



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