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## Mystic Valley Elder Service Receives \$25K Grant from Boston Foundation for Necessary Services

**(Malden, MA)**— Mystic Valley Elder Services (MVES) recently received a \$25,000 grant from the Boston Foundation to support MVES' unfunded and underfunded programs and services through the Foundation's Open Door Grants program.

"This grant will support necessary services including transportation services, Meals on Wheels, and our mental health program that need funding in order to continue," said Dan O'Leary, Chief Executive Officer of Mystic Valley Elder Service. "We look forward to building upon our record of providing essential home and community based services to older adults and adults living with disabilities in our 11 communities since 1975."

"Mystic Valley Elder Services has a demonstrated record of service to give elders and people with disabilities the opportunity to live independently," said Paul S. Grogan, President and CEO of the Boston Foundation. "Without them, many of their clients would not be able to live and thrive in the communities they call home. We are pleased to be able to support their ongoing work with this grant."

Open Door Grants are competitive, one-year grants designed for organizations whose proposal is focused on Greater Boston and whose values align with those of the Boston Foundation. Grants are awarded biannually, and are selected by staff through an inclusive evaluation process. Funds for this grant come from the Boston Foundation's Permanent Fund for Boston, Greater Boston's only endowed fund focusing on the pressing needs of Greater Boston. The Permanent Fund has been made possible by more than a century of gifts from those who seek to support innovative solutions to the region's most pressing problems since 1915.

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## **About Mystic Valley Elder Services**

Located in Malden, Mass., Mystic Valley Elder Services is a non-profit agency that provides essential home- and community-based care and resources to older adults, adults living with disabilities, and caregivers of any income level who reside in Chelsea, Everett, Malden, Medford, Melrose, North Reading, Reading, Revere, Stoneham, Wakefield and Winthrop. Agency services include coordination of home care, transportation, Meals on Wheels, and information and referrals. For more information, please call (781) 324-7705 or visit <u>www.mves.org</u>.

## **About The Boston Foundation**

Greater Boston's community foundation, brings people and resources together to solve Boston's big problems. Established in 1915, it is one of the largest community foundations in the nation—with net assets of \$1.3 billion. In 2018, the Foundation and its donors paid \$129 million in grants to nonprofit organizations. The Foundation works in close partnership with its donors, with more than 1,100 separate charitable funds established for the general benefit of the community or for special purposes. It also serves as a think tank and advocacy organization, commissioning research into the most critical issues of our time, promoting civic engagement and helping shape public policy that advances opportunity for everyone in Greater Boston. The Philanthropic Initiative (TPI), a distinct operating unit of the Foundation, designs and implements customized philanthropic strategies for families, foundations and corporations around the globe. For more information about the Boston Foundation or TPI, visit tbf.org or call (617)-338-1700.