

Congratulations to the Commonwealth Heroines Class of 2024

May 23, 2024

Each year the Massachusetts Commission on the Status of Women (MCSW) partners with state legislators to identify women who make outstanding contributions to their organizations and in their communities. The MSCW is honored to announce the full slate of 2024 of awardees and their nominating legislators.

Elected officials are encouraged to submit one woman from their constituency as a means of recognizing their invaluable efforts and extraordinary acts of service, who are making a big difference in their communities but not necessarily making the news. This year, the Class of 2024 Commonwealth Heroines comprises more than 125 women from across the state, leaders in industry, business, nonprofit, advocacy, and more.

Amongst the Heroines being honored is Community Teamwork's **Anna Jabar-Omoyeni**, Culinary Arts and Mentorship for the YouthBuild Culinary Program in Lowell. Anna was nominated by State Representative **Vanna Howard**.

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CELEBRATING
25
YEARS
1998-2023

COMMONWEALTH
Heroines
CLASS OF 2024

Pamela Adams
Ellen Agro
Helen Antenucci
Jessica Avery
Edye Baker
Amy Baxter
Kerri Anne Berry
Kenzie Blackwell
Deborah Bowker
Yamily Byas
Debra Caplan
Jill Caporiccio
Roseanne Caracciolo
Dr. Beatrice Cayo DD PhD
Rebecca Collins
Sonia Conde
Amy Cowen
Daurice Cox
Kelley Cronin
Sharon Crowley
Rebecca Czernicki
Natalya Davis
Kerin Delaney
Kathy DeMeyer
Angela Dolan
Ellen Duggan
Kerry Farrell
Terri Farrell
Melissa Ferretti
Joyce Ferriabough-Bolling
Karen Ferullo

Marilyn Forman
Cheryl Forster-Cahill
Deborah Fountain
Marta Fuertes Rodriguez
Crystal Galvin
Tiffany Gambill
Ethel Garvin
Ruth Georges
Carol Gloff
Ellie Goldberg
Christine Goonan
Lovern Gordon
Kim Greaves
Ann Haaser
Patricia Haigh
Martha Holden
Emurriel Holloway
Anna Jabar-Omoyeni
Barbara Jandrue
LouAnn Jendro
Miranda Jennings
Janice Kahn
Alisa Klein
Racquel Knight
Gail Kubek
Katarina Kumbatiadis
Amy LaBrache
Cynthia Laine
Kate LeBlanc
Henia Lewin

Julie Lewis
Karen Lynch
Rinaz Mala
Louise Marcoux
Demi Marsh
Beth Marshdoyle
Brenda Mattos
Judith Matt
Maureen Mazrimas
Jane McHale
Sue McQuaid
Laritza Menjivar
Amanda Milazzo
Bonnie Mitchell
Melsada Valarie Molyneaux
Elizabeth Murphy
Doreen Murray
Justine Neely
Kathryn Nemkovich
Donna Newcomb
Malory O'Brien
Marie O'Rourke
Rebecca Parkhill
Linette Perez
Melanie Petrucci
Michelle Rapoza
Ellin Reisner
Margaret Riley
Teasie Riley Goggin
Mercy Robinson

Darlene Rodowicz
Laura Rooney
Carmen Rosado
Cathy Rutkowski
Rachel Sagan
Elsa Sánchez
Christi Staples
Kate Sanetra-Butler
Beatriz Sierra
Marilyn Ray Smith
Gabriella Snyder Stelmack
Molly Sproul
Antonia Stephens
Maria Tavares
Karen Tibbetts
Roberta Trahan
Christine Tron
Gretchen Van Ness
Gladys Vega
Pat Voisine
Sally Vranos
Nerissa Wallen
Christine Ward
Rose Webster-Smith
Wendy Wiiks
Laura Wilson
Beverly Woods
Kaitlin Wright
Julie Wu
Ayn Yeagle
Erica Young

Share the exciting announcement and tag us! @masscsw #CH24

Barnstable County

Kerin Delaney, Falmouth

Nominated by: State Representative Dylan Fernandes

Kathy DeMeyer, South Dennis

Nominated by: State Representative Christopher Flanagan

Melissa Ferretti, Buzzards Bay

Nominated by: State Representative David Vieira

Katarina Kumbatiadis, Sandwich

Nominated by: State Representative Steven Xiarhos

Molly Sproul, Centerville

Nominated by: State Senator Julian Cyr

Antonia Stephens, Hyannis

Nominated by: State Representative Kip Diggs

Berkshire County

Darlene Rodowicz, Pittsfield

Nominated by: State Representative John Barrett III

Christine Ward, Great Barrington

Nominated by: State Representative William Smitty Pignatelli

Bristol County

Rebecca Collins, Fall River

Nominated by: State Representative Carole Fiola

Angela Dolan, Swansea

Co-nominated by: State Representative Steven Howitt, State Representative Pat Haddad & State Senator Michael Rodrigues

Ethel Garvin, Attleboro

Nominated by: State Senator Paul Feeney

Kathryn Nemkovich, Fall River

Nominated by: State Representative Alan Silvia

Michelle Rapoza, Westport

Nominated by: State Representative Paul Schmid III

Cathy Rutkowski, Dartmouth

Nominated by: State Senator Michael Rodrigues

Essex County

Edye Baker, Swampscott

Co-nominated by: State Representative Jenny Armini & State Senator Brendan Crighton

Deborah Bowker, Revere

Co-nominated by: State Representative Donald Wong & State Representative Jessica Giannino

Yamily Byas, Salem

Nominated by: State Representative Manny Cruz

Terri Farrell, Lynnfield

Nominated by: State Representative Bradley Jones Jr.

Karen Ferullo, Methuen

Nominated by: State Representative Ryan Hamilton

Cheryl Forster-Cahill, Rowley

Nominated by: State Senator Bruce Tarr

Ann Haaser, Newburyport

Nominated by: State Representative Dawne Shand

Martha Holden, Peabody

Nominated by: State Representative Thomas Walsh

Brenda Mattos, Beverly

Nominated by: Jerry Parisella

Laritza Menjivar, Saugus

Co-nominated by: State Senator Patricia Jehlen & State Representative Christine Barber

Elizabeth Murphy, Boxford

Nominated by: State Representative Tram Nguyen

Doreen Murray, Lynn

Nominated by: State Representative Peter Capano

Linette Perez, Lawrence

Nominated by: State Representative Estela Reyes

Teasie Riley Goggin, Salem

Nominated by: State Senator Joan Lovely

Elsa Sánchez, Lawrence

Nominated by: State Representative Frank Moran

Christi Staples, Marblehead

Co-nominated by: State Senator Brendan Crighton & State Representative Jenny Armini

Karen Tibbetts, Gloucester

Nominated by: State Representative Ann-Margaret Ferrante

Christine Tron, Peabody

Nominated by: State Representative Sally Kerans

Nerissa Wallen, Rowley

Nominated by: State Representative Kristin Kassner

Kaitlin Wright, Haverhill

Nominated by: State Representative Andy Vargas

Franklin County

Pamela Adams, Greenfield

Co-nominated by: State Representative Natalie Blais & State Senator Jo Comerford

Hampden County

Jessica Avery, Chicopee

Nominated by: State Representative Shirley Arriaga

Amy Baxter, Longmeadow

Nominated by: State Representative Brian Ashe

Roseanne Caracciolo, Feeding Hills

Nominated by: State Senator John Velis

Christine Goonan, Wilbraham

Nominated by: State Representative Angelo Puppolo

Emurriel Holloway, Springfield

Nominated by: State Representative Bud Williams

Judith Matt, Springfield

Nominated by: State Representative Carlos Gonzalez

Laura Rooney, Ludlow

Nominated by: State Senator Jacob Oliveria

Pat Voisine, Springfield

Nominated by: State Representative Orlando Ramos

Rose Webster-Smith, Springfield

Nominated by: State Senator Adam Gomez

Hampshire County

Alisa Klein, Leeds

Nominated by: State Representative Lindsay Sabadosa

Henia Lewin, Amherst

Nominated by: State Representative Mindy Domb

Amanda Milazzo, Easthampton

Nominated by: State Representative Daniel Carey

Middlesex County

Debra Caplan, Framingham

Nominated by: State Representative Priscila Sousa

Jill Caporiccio, Watertown

Nominated by: State Representative Steven Owens

Sonia Conde, Somerville

Co-nominated by: State Representative Christine Barber & State Senator Patricia D. Jehlen

Kelley Cronin, Sudbury

Nominated by: State Senator James Eldridge

Ellen Duggan, Maynard

Nominated by: State Representative Kate Hogan

Deborah Fountain, Pepperell

Nominated by: State Representative Margaret Scarsdale

Marta Fuentes, Somerville

Nominated by: State Representative Erika Uytterhoeven

Carol Gloff, Natick

Nominated by: State Representative David Linsky

Ellie Goldberg, Newton

Nominated by: State Representative Kay Khan

Anna Jabar-Omoyeni, Lowell

Nominated by: State Representative Vanna Howard

Barbara Jandrue, Southborough

Nominated by: State Representative Kate Donoghue

LouAnn Jendro, Dracut

Nominated by: State Representative Colleen Garry

Janice Kahn, Chestnut Hill

Nominated by: State Representative Ruth B. Balsler

Kate LeBlanc, Malden

Nominated by: State Representative Kate Lipper-Garabedian

Julie Lewis, Burlington

Nominated by: State Representative Kenneth Gordon

Karen Lynch, Malden

Nominated by: State Representative Steven Ultrino

Demi Marsh, Chelmsford

Nominated by: State Senator Barry Finegold

Beth Marshdoyle, Weston

Nominated by: State Representative Alice Peisch

Bonnie Mitchell, Ashland

Nominated by: State Representative Jack Lewis

Justine Neely, Lexington

Nominated by: State Representative Michelle Ciccolo

Donna Newcomb, Chelmsford

Nominated by: State Representative Simon Cataldo

Marie O'Rourke, Billerica

Nominated by: State Representative Marc Lombardo

Rebecca Parkhill, Weston

Nominated by: State Senator Michael Barrett

Ellin Reisner, Somerville

Nominated by: Michael Connolly

Rachel Sagan, Sudbury

Nominated by: State Representative Carmine L. Gentile

Kate Sanetra-Butler, Hopkinton

Nominated by: Massachusetts Senate President Karen Spilka

Beatriz Sierra, Lowell

Nominated by: State Representative Rodney Elliot

Gabriella Snyder Stelmack, Malden

Nominated by: State Senator Jason Lewis

Beverly Woods, Westford

Nominated by: State Representative James Arciero

Julie Wu, Belmont

Nominated by: State Representative Dave Rogers

Erica Young, Waltham

Nominated by: State Representative Thomas Stanley

Norfolk County

Kerri Anne Berry, Randolph

Nominated by: State Representative William Driscoll Jr.

Daurice Cox, Weymouth

Nominated by: State Senator John Keenan

Kerry Farrell, Bellingham

Nominated by: State Representative Michael Soter

Lovern Gordon, Avon

Nominated by: State Senator Michael Brady

Janice Kahn, Chestnut Hill

Nominated by: State Representative Ruth B. Balseer

Amy LaBrache, Foxborough

Nominated by: State Representative Fred Barrows

Rinaz Mala Mohammed, Needham

Nominated by: State Representative Denise Garlick

Louise Marcoux, Sharon

Nominated by: State Representative Ted Phillips

Maureen Mazrimas, North Quincy

Nominated by: State Representative Bruce Ayers

Sue McQuaid, Norwood

Nominated by: State Representative John Rogers

Marilyn Ray Smith, Brookline, Boston

Nominated by: Senate Majority Leader Cynthia Creem

Roberta Trahan, Franklin

Nominated by: State Representative Jeffrey Roy

Plymouth County

Kenzie Blackwell, Hingham

Nominated by: State Senator Patrick O'Connor

Sharon Crowley, Pembroke

Nominated by: State Representative Kathleen LaNatra

Natalya Davis, Norwell

Nominated by: State Representative Patrick Kearney

Tiffany Gambill, Bridgewater

Nominated by: State Senator Walter Timilty

Kim Greaves, Hull

Nominated by: State Representative Joan Meschino

Patricia Haigh, Plymouth

Nominated by: State Representative Matthew Muratore

Gail Kubek, Brockton

Nominated by: State Representative Michelle DuBois

Mary Price, Marshfield

Nominated by: State Representative Patrick Kearney

Maria T. Tavares, Brockton

Nominated by: State Representative Rita Mendes

Suffolk County

Helen Antenucci, East Boston

Nominated by: State Representative Adrian Madaro

Joyce Ferriabough-Bolling, Boston

Nominated by: State Senator Liz Miranda

Marilyn Forman, Dorchester

Nominated by: State Representative Christopher Worrell

Crystal Galvin, Charlestown

Nominated by: State Senator Sal DiDomenico

Ruth Georges-Innis, Boston

Nominated by: State Representative Brandy Fluker Oakley

Jane McHale, Allston, Brighton

Nominated by: State Senator William Brownsberger

Melsada Valarie Molyneaux, Hyde Park

Nominated by: State Representative Rob Consalvo

Margaret Riley, Winthrop

Nominated by: State Representative Jeffrey Rosario Turco

Mercy Robinson, South Boston

Nominated by: State Representative David Biele

Gretchen Van Ness, Hyde Park

Nominated by: U.S. State Senator Elizabeth Warren

Gladys Vega, Chelsea

Nominated by: State Representative Judith Garcia

Worcester County

Ellen Agro, Mendon

Nominated by: State Representative Brian Murray

Dr. Beatrice Cayo DD PhD, Leominster

Nominated by: State Representative Natalie Higgins

Amy Cowen, Northbridge

Nominated by: State Representative David Muradian

Rebecca Czernicki, Webster

Nominated by: State Senator Ryan Fattman

Miranda Jennings, Winchendon

Nominated by: State Representative Jonathan Zlotnik

Racquel Knight, Worcester

Nominated by: State Senator Robyn Kennedy

Cynthia Laine, Fitchburg

Nominated by: State Representative Michael Kushmerek

Malory O'Brien, Auburn

Nominated by: State Senator Michael Moore

Melanie Petrucci, Shrewsbury

Nominated by: State Representative Hannah Kane

Carmen Rosado, Worcester

Nominated by: State Representative David LeBoeuf

Wendy Wiiks, Leominister

Nominated by: State Senator John Cronin

Laura Wilson, Oxford

Nominated by: State Representative Joseph McKenna

Ayn Yeagle, Princeton

Nominated by: State Representative Kimberly Ferguson

21st Annual Commonwealth Heroines Award Ceremony