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## **Boston Chinatown Neighborhood Center Receives \$85,000 Grant from State Street Foundation**

BOSTON – The Boston Chinatown Neighborhood Center, Inc. (BCNC) announces receipt of an \$85,000 grant award from the State Street Foundation, to support BCNC’s Adult Education program. This grant will assist BCNC in its continued efforts to support educational and career advising services, further integrate technology into classrooms, provide training and support for volunteer tutors and mentors, and ensure the quality of program monitoring and evaluation.

“We appreciate the generous and continued support of the State Street Foundation, as we help our immigrant community members achieve higher degrees of economic success and well-being in our community,” said Giles Li, BCNC’s Executive Director.

This grant will also ensure continued support for BCNC’s Adult Education program, English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL). In recognition of the ESOL program’s strength, BCNC has been granted funding from the state of Massachusetts for more than two decades. Our Boston program scored 23 out of 25 Performance Standard points in FY15, and in FY13 the Quincy program was ranked third among all ESOL programs in the state. The program serves over 250 adult immigrant learners each year, offering participants English and citizenship classes, education and career advice, career readiness skills, and tutoring support.

The State Street Foundation has supported BCNC for over 10 years. Its grant-making program aims to increase an individual’s ability to earn and maintain a living, thus contributing to the overall health and well-being of communities around the world.

“The State Street Foundation is pleased to collaborate with BCNC in education and workforce development,” said Mike Scannell, senior vice president, State Street Corporation and chairman and president of the State Street Foundation. “We couldn’t be more proud of the success of our long-standing partnership, which has helped keep our citizens on track toward achieving academic success and obtaining meaningful career opportunities.”

### **About BCNC:**

Boston Chinatown Neighborhood Center (BCNC) is the largest nonprofit social service provider dedicated to Asian families in the Greater Boston area, supporting over 2,000 children, youth, and adults each year at three locations in Boston and Quincy. The mission of BCNC is to ensure that the children, youth, and families we serve have the resources and supports they need to achieve greater economic success and social well-being. BCNC helps families access the resources and services available to them, provide opportunities for them to learn and acquire skills, and create a community of mutual support and encouragement.

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