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ACCEPT Education Collaborative Selected to Participate in Harvard Business School Association of Boston's Community Action Partners Program

Natick, MA. We are pleased to announce that ACCEPT Education Collaborative has been selected from a competitive pool of 40 applicants to receive a pro-bono consulting engagement by Harvard Business School Association of Boston's Community Action Partners (CAP).

Community Action Partners (CAP) is a volunteer organization of Harvard Business School and Kennedy School alumni helping Boston-area non-profits apply management skills to their business challenges. Every year, CAP volunteers provide an average of 8,000 hours of consulting, equivalent to approximately \$1.5 million in pro-bono services to worthy nonprofits. These volunteers offer a powerful blend of business expertise and passion for making a difference in the community. CAP projects result in incredible impact for non-profit clients and are a uniquely rewarding volunteer experience for alumni.

Marcia Berkowitz, executive director of ACCEPT Education Collaborative, stated "the Collaborative is honored to be selected as a Community Action Partner. The CAP consultants bring high level expertise that will help us tackle areas of opportunity and growth identified in our recently completed strategic plan. We are excited to begin working with the CAP team and look forward to working on key projects to strengthen the Collaborative for the future."

"We are very pleased to work with ACCEPT Education Collaborative this year," states Executive Director Amelia Angella. ACCEPT Education Collaborative is doing important work for the greater Boston community. The nature of their business challenge, mission, and social impact make them a very attractive partner for our alumni volunteer teams."

About ACCEPT Education Collaborative

Since 1974, ACCEPT has provided excellence and innovation in educational practice for school districts in MetroWest Boston. ACCEPT, a non-profit, is governed by the Superintendents of the sixteen member school districts and an appointed representative of the Commissioner of Elementary and Secondary Education. ACCEPT is a multi-service, entrepreneurial public school partner. Flexible and adaptable, ACCEPT quickly responds to the individual needs of member districts with new programs and services. ACCEPT is supported primarily by fee-for service activities, with an annual operating budget of nearly \$14 million.



About Harvard Business School Association's Community Action Partners

As a program of HBSAB, Community Action Partners (CAP) marshals more than 100 alumni volunteers to serve nonprofits by providing approximately 8,000 hours of pro-bono consulting each year. Since its inception in 1993, CAP has served over 200 nonprofit clients in a variety of sectors. CAP offers volunteer consulting assistance in such areas as: strategic and business planning, marketing strategy, financial planning and analysis, board development and governance and organizational development.

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