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**Local Woman named “Commonwealth Heroine” by MA State Women’s Commission**

*Women who don’t often make the news, but who always make the difference*

Boston, Mass (May XX, 2023) - Each year the Massachusetts Commission on the Status of Women ([MCSW](https://www.mass.gov/orgs/massachusetts-commission-on-the-status-of-women)) partners with state legislators to identify women who make outstanding contributions to their organizations and in their communities.

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](https://masscsw.org/2024/05/23/congratulations-to-the-commonwealth-heroines-class-of-2024/) comprises more than 125 women from across the state, leaders in industry, business, nonprofit, advocacy, and more.

“I'm honored to nominate [Heroine Nominee Name] as a 2024 Commonwealth Heroine,” said [Elected Official Name and Title]. [Insert elected official quote about heroine, her work, how you’ve worked with them in the past, why you nominated them, their community impact, etc].

“The Commonwealth Heroines are women who don’t make the news, but make all the difference in their communities,” said MCSW Chairwoman Dr. Sarah Glenn-Smith. “Thousands of women in every community across the Commonwealth perform unheralded acts on a daily basis that make our homes, neighborhoods, cities, and towns better places to live. Commonwealth Heroines use their time, talent, spirit, and enthusiasm to enrich the lives of others in their community. They are mentors, volunteers, and innovators - they are the glue that keeps a community together.”

The MCSW will be celebrating the [21st Annual Commonwealth Heroines Class of 2024](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/21st-annual-commonwealth-heroines-award-ceremony-tickets-858801858477?aff=oddtdtcreator) on Friday, June 14, 2024 at the Massachusetts Statehouse in the Gardner Auditorium. For additional information regarding this event, please contact the MCSW at 617-626-6520 or email [mcsw@mass.gov](mailto:mcsw@mass.gov).

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