

FY15 Annual Report



Celebrating 20 YEARS

20 Years of Urban Squash

1995

- > SquashBusters launches with a \$5,000 grant from the Massachusetts Squash Association.

1996

- > The inaugural team of 24 middle schoolers from the Harrington School in Cambridge and the Timilty School in Roxbury sign on for the maiden SquashBusters voyage.

- > Governor William Weld joins the Board. Harvard and the Harvard Club sign on with free courts and classrooms.

1998

- > Byron Caine of Dorchester earns SquashBusters' first private school acceptance — a full scholarship to Middlesex School.

1999

- > The first SquashBusters replica program, StreetSquash, starts up in Harlem. The two programs square off in home and away matches.

2000

- > Northeastern University's President, Richard Freeland, and its Board of Trustees commit to a long-term facility partnership with SquashBusters.

2001

- > Tudor Investment makes a lead capital contribution of \$1.5M to SquashBusters — other major gifts begin to follow.
- > 84% of SquashBusters' first class of graduates enroll in college.

2003

- > The Badger and Rosen SquashBusters Center at Northeastern opens its doors in July. Two months later, program enrollment nearly triples.

2005

- > NUSEA is founded. Urban squash comprises programs in Boston, Harlem, Philadelphia, The Bronx, and Chicago.
- > SquashBusters graduates its first students from college.

2006

- > SquashBusters holds the inaugural SquashBusters Derby and raises \$200,000.
- > Enrollment surpasses 100 in Boston.
- > Urban squash programs begin in San Diego and New Haven.

2008

- > SquashBusters celebrates its 5th year at Northeastern; hundreds of NU students volunteer as academic tutors.

2010

- > Current SquashBusters alumni and staff members, Rodney Galvao and Darryl Soto, matriculate to Bates and Colby.

2011

- > SquashBusters graduate Patrick Williams is elected Senior Class President at Bates; SquashBusters graduate Yuleissy Ramirez becomes the first urban squasher to enroll at Harvard.

2012

- > SquashBusters expands to Lawrence in partnership with Brooks School and Phillips Academy Andover — 34 students inaugurate the program.

2014

- > SquashBusters graduates its largest senior class with 23 students heading to college.
- > The MFS SquashBusters Derby raises over \$1M.
- > There are 18 urban squash programs in the United States, modeled after SquashBusters, touching the lives of more than 1500 young people.

2015

- > NUSEA raises over \$2M during a weekend celebration of the 20th anniversary of urban squash and is recognized for its good work by Michelle Obama.
- > SquashBusters begins its 20th year of serving Boston students. Plans progress for facility and program expansion in Lawrence and Providence.



SQUASHBUSTERS began more than 20 years ago in the second bedroom of my Cambridge apartment. I first conceived of the idea during my final semester at the Kennedy School of Government in 1993. In a class entitled *Social Entrepreneurship in the Public Sector*, I wrote a paper about launching a squash and education program for urban kids in Boston. Prior to graduate school, I had spent almost ten years playing professional squash in many of North America's major cities, wondering why this very urban sport remained disconnected and unavailable to most young people. I believed squash had more to offer.

Two years later, after a brief process-laden, slow moving administrative stint in state government that didn't mesh with my impatient, fast twitch personality, I started SquashBusters. The program launched with 24 middle school students from Cambridge and Roxbury. There was a big van and a founding board, comprised of my friends, squash lovers and skeptical optimists. We had two school partners, 30 donated squash racquets, and free court time and classroom space given to us by the Harvard Club, Harvard University and the Boston YMCA. I spent time in every kid's kitchen getting to know parents.

The goal was simple — to transform young people's lives by immersing them throughout middle and high school in a program of squash, academics, mentoring and service to others. The community I envisioned would be known for its hard work and high expectations, accountability and honesty, kindness and personal attention, joy and caring about others. SquashBusters kids, I hoped, would improve in school, get fitter, fall in love with squash, become best friends, get accepted to and graduate from outstanding colleges. We would give back to people in need and unite people of diverse backgrounds.

Here SquashBusters stands twenty years later as a truly unimaginable success. The unlikely experiment has become a durable, large and beloved youth program in Boston and nearby Lawrence. The small stone that I, and a handful of others, tossed into still waters two decades ago has brought about waves of hope and opportunity in Boston and across the country for thousands of people. Partnerships have been forged with world-class educational institutions like Harvard, Brooks School, Phillips Academy and Northeastern, upon whose campus sits our permanent home.

The impact of SquashBusters, and the 20 programs that have followed our lead, is now far and wide. Did I have a plan for this all along? No. My original goal was to use a sport that had been so good to me as a vehicle to contribute to the lives of a small group of Boston kids. In the end, wherever the amazing and continuing SquashBusters journey takes us, whatever our accomplishments and achievements shall be, the SquashBusters pathway will remain the same — we promise to always open our hearts to one another, try our individual best at all times, and believe that every person has the potential to do great things in life. The pages herein endeavor to celebrate all that SquashBusters has become twenty years later. Thank you so much for being an important contributor to our special community.

With all my gratitude,

Greg





Hard Work

“SquashBusters has taught me that persistence is the key to success. The easy thing to do is to try something once and say ‘it’s just not my forte’. It takes character to keep trying after multiple failures. We try to instill this in our students every day; whether they struggle with a squash drill, an academic subject, or in their personal lives. We show them they can become better at anything when they stick with it.”

AUDREY GUERRERO

SQB Class of 2009

Academic Program Manager, SQB Lawrence

Hard Work

Determination Resilience Grit

Our students know they are going to be tested when they come to SquashBusters. They understand that our expectations are high, and that while they will be embraced in support, their on-court outcomes will be their own, achieved only with hard work. Squash improvement happens slowly and it often takes a long time for students to see their progress. Through warm-ups, drills, and hard core conditioning and fitness, students sweat and persevere. Every day, they experience small wins and confront additional challenges. They show patience and courage. They are more tortoise than hare.

SQUASH AND FITNESS

For SquashBusters students, the sport of squash is not only a vehicle for a healthy life. Practicing hard day in and day out and meeting the wonderful people who play squash opens doors, provides opportunities, and serves as a gateway to great colleges and excellent employment. Squash allows our students access to a network of people, places, and resources they may not otherwise have.

- 3-5 days of practice per week, 33 weeks during the school year, for 6-7 consecutive years of a student's life
- Ongoing fitness assessments to track improvements in speed, agility, endurance, and coordination — skills they practice each day
- Dozens of competitive squash matches and tournaments against private schools such as Beaver Country Day School, Brooks School, Groton, and Noble & Greenough, as well as other urban squash teams from across the country
- 250 hours of optional squash before and after regular practice
- 15 optional off-site squash opportunities including intensive training squads and urban squash camps at Deerfield Academy, MIT, Stanford, and the University Club of Boston





Kaetu Wleh

SQB class of 2019
Boston Latin Academy

Kaetu embodies the spirit of the SquashBusters program through his hard work, leadership, respect, and concern for others. Kaetu works tirelessly on his squash game, attending every squash practice and showing up 1½ hours early for Saturday morning practices to get extra time on court. Off court, Kaetu earns straight A's, working diligently in academics and offering help to his peers. Kaetu's exemplary work ethic and leadership have not gone unnoticed: his teammates unanimously voted him captain of his 8th grade team and in 2015 he was selected as the 8th grade SquashBuster of the Year. Kaetu's character was also recognized outside the walls of SquashBusters — he was honored with the 2015 NUSEA Future Stars Award, given to the most outstanding urban squash middle school student who consistently embodies the values of effort, respect, concern for others, integrity, character, and leadership.

ACADEMICS

Above all else, SquashBusters' young people must live up to the "student" in "student athlete." They work just as hard in the classroom as they do on the squash court. Each day, they team up with SquashBusters academic staff and volunteers to set goals, work diligently, and build strong study habits. They are encouraged and challenged to start with their most difficult assignments and tackle their greatest academic challenges head on. Academic enrichment pushes students beyond their everyday assignments and outside their comfort zones, with units focusing on public speaking, college-knowledge, career exploration, and resume writing.

- 2 hours of academic support and enrichment per day, 2-3 days per week, for 33 weeks during the school year
- 120+ hours of homework tutoring, academic enrichment, and college preparation per year for 6-7 years of a student's life
- 250 hours of individual tutoring
- College visits for every student in every grade to schools such as Boston College, Cornell University, Kenyon College, Northeastern University, and Wesleyan University
- A college mentor for every SquashBusters senior
- Independent School Entrance Exam (ISEE) prep and tutoring for all 8th graders
- SAT prep for all 11th graders





“Mount Pleasant Home has been connected to SquashBusters for many years. We are elders in the City and they are energetic youth, who are bettering themselves through this organization. Sharing time and experiences with them keeps us young at heart and gives them an awareness of a part of their community which they may not otherwise have gotten to know. There is no better ‘win-win’ situation.”

LYNN MULLER

Activities Director,
Mt. Pleasant Home Senior Center

“The skill, discipline, and sportsmanship learned through squash in combination with the program’s commitment to academic excellence and service are transformational. Our partnership with SquashBusters helps the New Balance Foundation fulfill its mission of improving the health, well-being, and self-esteem of young people through movement. New Balance believes kids who discover their movement spark will be active for a lifetime — we thank SquashBusters and its entire staff for introducing squash and all its benefits to boys and girls who would not have otherwise had the opportunity to play this great sport.”

MOLLY SANTRY

The New Balance Foundation

CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

We believe that developing strong character is just as important as developing strong bodies and minds. SquashBusters students understand that the program is about more than just doing well for oneself; it’s also about giving to others, and throughout the year students exemplify this by completing community service projects where they contribute with kindness and generosity to helping others.

- A minimum of two community service projects per student per year, each year for 6-7 years of a student’s life
- Opportunities throughout the year to demonstrate leadership, build character, and represent SquashBusters as Student Ambassadors, John Hancock MLK Scholars, and Grand Circle Next Generation Leaders
- Dozens of summer opportunities for our students to grow, achieve, travel, and try new things including squash squads, academic and recreational summer camps, and jobs and internships
- Social and emotional health and wellness workshops for 9th and 10th grade girls and boys



SquashBusters
is grateful for
our partnership with

Northeastern University

and proud of our graduates
who go on to higher education

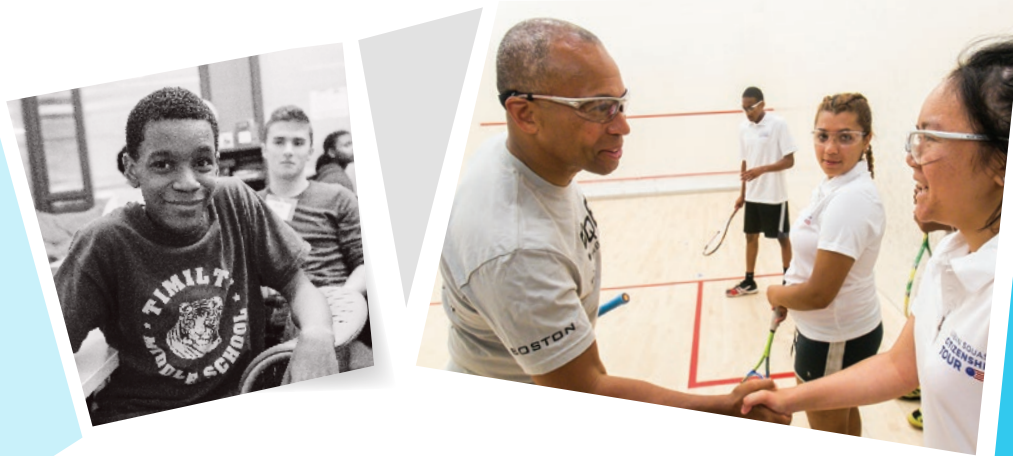
“The SquashBusters program and the game of squash shaped how I work, how I view other people, and how I present myself — all of these things have contributed to my success.”

YULEISSY RAMIREZ
SQB Class of 2011
Harvard University Class of 2015

Achievement and Success

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Desire Striving Triumph



Success at SquashBusters can be achieved over time, like watching 100% of our 12th graders enroll in college and graduate four years later or welcoming alumni back to the family as staff members. It can also happen here in a matter of weeks — when a 7th grader gets her mediocre term 1 grades to honor roll in term 2 or when an 8th grader learns he has been accepted to his first high school choice. Success comes in many forms — a shy girl laughing and high-fiving her teammates, a group of middle schoolers summiting Mount Monadnock on their team trip, or 50 high school students showing up at 7am to prepare Easter breakfast for the elderly. In every instance, SquashBusters' success has to do with courageous transformation and remarkable achievement.

At just 26 years old, Monete Johnson has a sense of self and of purpose that many never attain in a lifetime. A member of SquashBusters' graduating class of 2007, Monete earned her Bachelor's degree from Trinity College and a Master's in Public Policy from Rutgers University. Now living in New York City and working as a Research Associate for the Education Law Center, Monete wants to dedicate her work to serve at-risk urban student populations and be all the things for others that her coaches at SquashBusters were for her: caring, supportive, and able to motivate and push kids beyond what they think is possible. Monete reflects back on her time in the program and the ways that SquashBusters staff shaped the young woman she is today: "at SquashBusters, the staff pushes you beyond what you believe your limit is. It was as a student in the program that I grew up, realizing that resilience and hard work really do pay off."

Monete Johnson

SQB Class of 2007

Trinity College Class of 2011

Rutgers University Class of 2014



2014-2015 SQUASH & FITNESS ACHIEVEMENTS

420

HOURS of available optional squash opportunities, including:

- Optional squash hours at the SQB facility in Boston
- Training with the Harvard varsity squash team and students from the Harvard Business School
- Playing doubles at the University Club of Boston
- Training with the Bates College squash team

120

STUDENTS made individual gains on their fitness assessments

“Given the tremendous impact SquashBusters has made in Lawrence in the short three years it’s been in the area, I can only imagine the great things it will accomplish ten years from now. It has been a privilege to don the SquashBusters t-shirt as a volunteer.”

ROBBY SCHWARTZ

Phillips Academy Andover Class of 2015 and one of SquashBusters’ Phillips Academy Student Partners

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STUDENTS participated in 11 squash camps and trips to places such as: Williams College, Deerfield Academy, MIT, Harvard University, the University Club of Boston, and Stanford University

38

ALUMNI traveled to Harlem to compete in NUSEA’s 2015 Alumni Nationals tournament





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COMPETITIVE MATCHES AND TOURNAMENTS

against their peers in private schools and urban squash programs at courts across the country: Cross Courts Squash, Noble & Greenough School, Westminster School, Yale University, Williams and Amherst Colleges, and Kenyon College

15

ALUMNI

played in Massachusetts Squash League competitions

10

STUDENTS

ranked in the top 200 nationally



Notable 2014-2015 Team and Individual Results

- SQB BU-13: NUSEA Regional Team Tournament Winners
- SQB GU-19A: Third Place, Urban Team Nationals
- SQB BU-15A: Fourth Place, Urban Team Nationals
- Top individual finishes in NUSEA and regional squash competitions throughout the year

28

OF SQUASHBUSTERS' STUDENTS moved on to play competitive squash in college at schools such as: Bates, Boston University, Bucknell, Colby, Connecticut College, Hamilton College, Harvard, Hobart, Smith, Trinity, Tufts, and Wesleyan

SQB.
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YEARS LATER

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SQUASHBUSTERS STUDENTS

are currently enrolled in college. Some of the colleges and universities our students have attended or are currently enrolled:

- Bates College
- Bentley University
- Boston College
- Boston University
- Brown University
- Bucknell University
- Colby College
- Harvard University
- Johnson and Wales University
- Mass. College of Liberal Arts
- Northeastern University
- Providence College
- Purdue University
- Simmons College
- Smith College
- Suffolk University
- Trinity College
- UMass Boston
- The University of Pennsylvania

SQB. 20 YEARS LATER



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COLLEGE GRADUATES in 2015 from: Connecticut College, Harvard University, Hobart and William Smith Colleges, Johnson and Wales University, Mass. College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences, and Northeastern University

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COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES and over \$350,000 in grant and scholarship aid for our 10 seniors in SQB Boston's Class of 2015, 100% of whom are enrolled in college

2014-2015 ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS

1,188

TOTAL HOURS of SAT prep for SQB Boston's 18 Juniors

100%

OF RISING SENIORS have a college mentor

25

OF BOSTON'S 25 9TH GRADERS attend the highest performing high schools in Boston

64

STUDENTS made honor roll in 2015

Notable Scholarships & Honors

- Sam Lee: Northeastern University Valedictorian Scholarship
- Querby Janvier: Simmons College Boston Scholarship
- Armando Barragan: Phillips Memorial Scholarship
- Ilma Golemi: Yawkey Scholarship
- Yoskar Ortiz, SQB Lawrence: NUSEA Under 13 Academic Contest Winner
- June Zhang, SQB Lawrence: earned a 5-week NUSEA scholarship to attend Exeter Academy's summer school
- Yaritza Amado, SQB Boston: earned a full \$25,000 scholarship and was the first SQB student to attend The Mountain School, a highly-selective independent semester program

2014-2015 CHARACTER ACHIEVEMENTS

92%
ATTENDANCE RATE

1,749
TOTAL COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS
COMPLETED at places such as Cor Unum, Colonial Heights Nursing Home, The Food Project, Greater Boston Food Bank, and the Pine Street Inn

50
HIGH SCHOOL SUMMER PLACEMENTS in programs such as: Boston University Upward Bound, Grand Circle Foundation's Next Generation Leaders, Summer Search, and NUSEA's Urban Squash Citizenship Tour; and internships with Artists for Humanity, Brigham and Women's Hospital, Dana Farber Cancer Institute, Citi Performing Arts Center, Fidelity Investments, Grub Street, and the Museum of Fine Arts

21
STUDENT AMBASSADORS spent over 25 hours in leadership trainings and representing SQB at cultural, community, and program events

2
MLK SCHOLARS, continuing our partnership with John Hancock to provide summer leadership opportunities to our students



8
ALUMNI have returned to SquashBusters as full-time staff members, 4 will be with us in 2015-2016

9
ALUMNI serve as Alumni Committee members, summer program staff, or program volunteers

SquashBusters alumni continue to serve the community through regular service projects such as the BARCC Walk for Change and AIDS Walk Boston. Dozens of our alumni are gainfully employed in full time positions with organizations such as Belmont Hill School, BJ's Wholesale Club, Cambridge Police Department, Mass. General Hospital, MFS Investment Management, SquashBusters, State Street Corporation, Tiffany's, and the University Club of Boston

SQB.
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YEARS
LATER

Opportunity

“Because of SquashBusters, I’ve had the opportunity to travel to new places and make friends from all over the country. Visiting new places and constantly meeting new people has helped me gain more confidence and do more things without worrying what other people think. I’m better equipped now to go after what I want in life.”

JENNIFER MBAH
SQB Class of 2017
with her mom, Monica Titakum

Opportunity

Hope Belief Possibility

SquashBusters takes young people to places they've never been and introduces them to people they would have never known. The destinations vary — Exeter Academy to study, Stanford University for squash, Tanzania for safari, a Jamaica Plain senior home for service. The people they meet along the way humble and inspire them — fellow squashers Ming Tsai and Deval Patrick, volunteers from Northeastern, Brooks School and Phillips Academy, Derby teammates, college and career mentors, and compatriots from other urban squash programs. One of the program's largest goals is to build a wide bridge of opportunity for kids so they can access all that the world has to offer — equipped with the skills, awareness and enthusiasm they need to achieve anything they set their minds to.



Tara & Ming
Baking at Blue Ginger

Tara Reed-Smith (SOB Class of 2017) spent the summer interning with award-winning Chef Ming Tsai in his Wellesley Restaurant, Blue Ginger. Tara is chasing her passion for culinary arts and has flourished with the chance to shadow one of the best in the industry. Chef Tsai has been lending his time, talent, and support to SquashBusters year after year since its founding in 1996. Taking Tara under his culinary wing is just an example of his unwavering belief in the SquashBusters program and the importance of providing students like Tara with mentorship and the opportunity to pursue their dreams: "I've been so lucky in life — I've never had to worry about having what I needed. But it's not a level playing field; not everyone starts in the same spot. SquashBusters tries to level that playing field by giving kids the best chance possible to succeed. SquashBusters kids still have to do the hard work, but they have the resources and support they need to get where they want to go."

“SquashBusters helped me get into a good high school with a higher graduation rate than other schools. Now, I have a better chance of getting into a good college. I want to go to MIT.”

DILON DAWKINS

SQB Boston, 9th grade

“The partnership between the Timilty and SquashBusters provides opportunities for our students that they may not have had otherwise. Academic performance is strengthened through small group support and interventions, along with a focus on being fit for life. Our SquashBusters students are leaders in the school who set the bar high for their peers in terms of academics and citizenship. The entire Timilty community has been enriched by the partnership for the past 20 years and it has worked to develop stellar scholar athletes.”

RENEE MCCALL

Principal, the James P. Timilty Middle School

“SquashBusters creates opportunities for students by allowing us to travel the country and the world, see new places, and meet new people, then bring those experiences back to better our communities”

RAVI RAO

SQB Boston, 11th grade

“I’m the first one in my family to go to college. Without the support and preparation I got at SquashBusters, I wouldn’t have been as ready or as confident as I was when I stepped onto the MCLA campus for the first time as a student.”

YAMI URENA

SQB Boston class of 2014, MCLA class of 2018

“I can’t wait to see how our partnership can continue to grow and impact urban youth in a powerfully strong way — giving them hope and opportunity for potential success as contributing young adults & citizens”

GERT SWEENEY

Director of Instruction at The Joseph Lee School

“I have had the opportunity to visit places I’ve never been and have experiences I will never forget.”

JOYCE ZHANG

SQB Lawrence 10th grade



PLACES

PEOPLE





Love

DEANLELO, ANTHONY, YOSKAR
SQB Lawrence, Class of 2020


“When one of our friends is playing in a tournament or match, we cheer on each other. When someone needs help, we help each other. We know we can trust each other.”

Love

Connection Friendship Joy

Surrounding young people with adults who care about them is paramount to all that SquashBusters does. Our students often tell us they feel 'loved' and that SquashBusters shines bright in their lives as a second family. It is upon this very powerful, positive and long-lasting foundation that our young people build their resolve, express their fears and pursue their dreams.

Whether it be the strong bonds students build with each other on team trips, the admiration they show during closing circle, or staff members' attendance at every high school graduation, love and human connection are at the center of SquashBusters.



"SquashBusters is not only about the sport. We are a family of hundreds that will continue to grow."

SOLANGIE TAVAREZ
SQB Lawrence, 9th grade

Darryl Soto and Rodney Galvao have known each other since the sixth grade, when they both joined SquashBusters. The first year with the program was a whirlwind. Learning a new sport, meeting new people and traveling to new places was so all-consuming, they didn't realize that some of the people they were meeting at SquashBusters would be their friends for life. After seven years in the program, Darryl and Rodney graduated from high school and headed off to Colby and Bates to study and play squash. To this day, they argue about which school is better, but they agree on one thing: SquashBusters was the best thing that ever happened to each of them and they might have chosen different paths if not for the program. Close friends all the way through college, both have found their way back to SquashBusters as staff members to give back and help kids better their futures. They look forward to some healthy competition between their students this season and debate over whose team will be better at squash; but in their own words, one thing is certain: "the incoming students have no idea what strong friendships they are about to make and the impact this program will have on their lives".

Darryl & Rodney

Former SQB students, back to the program as staff members



“I come here often and I consider it to be my second home. Everybody cares, everybody gives, everybody loves, so you can’t help but do the same. That’s what builds this community.”

YARITZA AMADO

SQB Boston, 12th grade

“I come to SquashBusters because it’s a place I can escape to, and every time I come here I feel like I’m at home.”

GEORGE MONTERO

SQB Boston, 11th grade

“When I come to SquashBusters, I’m always greeted with a warm welcome and a smile. Coming here is a stress reliever — the staff always supports and encourages me.”

BRENDA HERNANDEZ

SQB Boston, 11th grade

“Some of my best friends today are ones I met in 6th grade when I started SquashBusters.”

YAMI URENA

SQB Boston class of 2014, MCLA class of 2018

“At SquashBusters, we are a family and we support each other through good and bad.”

ASHANTEY GARCIA

SQB Lawrence, 8th grade

“When I think about SquashBusters I think about family, love, and joyful moments.”

SARAI HERNANDEZ

SQB Lawrence, 7th grade



Gratitude

“No one in life accomplishes anything significant without the help of others.”

ROB MANNING

CEO, MFS Investment Management
SquashBusters supporter since 2001



Alec Wysoker

20-year volunteer

Through all of SquashBusters' growth and change over the past 20 years, Alec Wysoker has been a constant — volunteering with the program weekly since its first season in 1996 and with no plans to stop. Prior to SquashBusters' founding, Alec took squash lessons from Greg Zaff, who talked about his idea of starting an urban squash program. When the dream became a reality, Greg asked Alec to sign on as a squash volunteer, and the rest is history! Over his two decades of service, Alec has been on the court with kids over 750 times. When he reflects back on the hundreds of kids he's coached over the years, he describes the joy he finds in watching kids grow as squash players and as people from middle school all the way to when they return to visit the program as alumni: "What's most rewarding is seeing kids come back as alumni. They have turned into confident, warm, friendly adults on an upward trajectory toward success," he says.

Gratitude

Kindness Empathy Generosity

SquashBusters wishes to say thank you. From the day SquashBusters was conceived 20 years ago, there have been people ready and willing to say 'yes' with their time, their contributions, their knowledge, their networks and their love. There also have been students, siblings, mothers and fathers, grandmothers and grandfathers, school teachers and community members who have opened their arms and their hearts to the program. It is this collective generosity, trust, openness and conviction that gave birth to SquashBusters two decades ago and that have nurtured and nourished the program ever since.

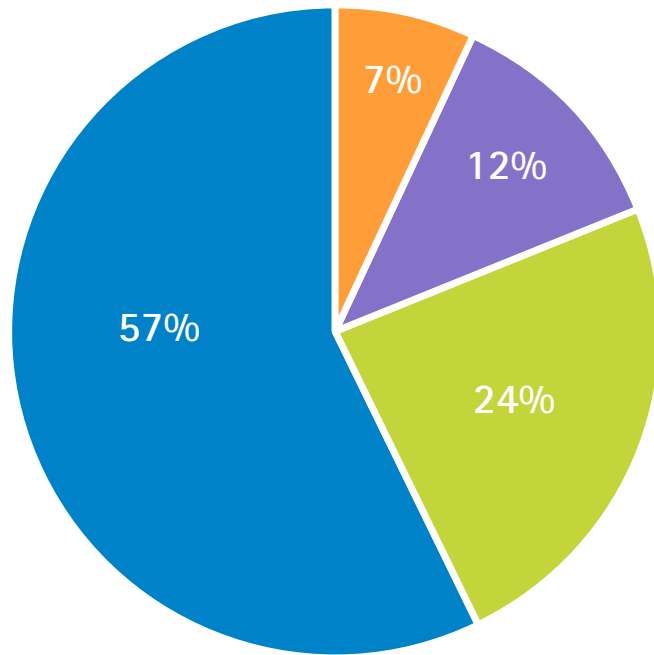
"I have been a huge fan of SquashBusters for a long time. There is something very special about the combination of sports and learning that makes a big difference in the lives of these young people, and I am particularly proud that Northeastern is SquashBusters' home in Boston. We are delighted to have them on our campus."

MICHAEL DUKAKIS

Distinguished Professor of Political Science at Northeastern University, and Former Massachusetts Governor (1975-1979, 1983-1991)



2014-2015 REVENUE



■ Events ■ Board ■ Individual ■ Foundations/Corporations

The SquashBusters program simply wouldn't be possible without the individuals, foundations, and corporations that so generously support our kids, and events like the Fall Ball, MashUp, and MFS SquashBusters Derby that raise critical funds and awareness for our program in both Boston and Lawrence. Anchored by a record-setting MFS SquashBusters Derby that raised nearly \$1.1M, we raised \$2M in 2014-2015. On the expense side, we spent \$1.8M, due in large part to the expansion of our program in Lawrence as well as our growing network of alumni. We look forward to continuing our program growth in Lawrence, expanding to Providence, and realizing our strategic plan to build facility partnerships in both cities that will allow SquashBusters to serve thousands more urban youth in the decades to come.



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SquashBusters

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FY15 PARTNERS

Our partners generously provide daily, year-round access to squash and educational facilities as well as volunteers and students to fill the program.

NATIONAL URBAN SQUASH AND EDUCATION ASSOCIATION (NUSEA)

NUSEA provides invaluable opportunities for our staff and students alike. From regional and national tournaments and summer camps for our kids and professional development for our staff, NUSEA helps SquashBusters provide students with the best programming possible.

FACILITY PARTNERS

- Northeastern University
- Brooks School
- Phillips Academy Andover

BOSTON PARTNER SCHOOLS

- Timilty Middle School
- Rogers Middle School
- John D. O'Bryant School of Math and Science
- Public, charter, Catholic, and exam schools from across the city

LAWRENCE PARTNER SCHOOLS

- Arlington Middle School
- Emily Wetherbee Middle School
- Lawrence High School

EQUIPMENT AND CLOTHING PARTNERS

- Black Knight
- New Balance

PAST BOSTON SITES

- The Harvard Club of Boston
- Harvard University
- University Club of Boston
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