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PROJECT HOPE ANNOUNCES MEMBERS OF 2015 BOSTON MARATHON TEAM

19 First-Time Team Runners Scheduled to Run for the Project Hope Cause

BOSTON, MA (February 23, 2015) - [Project Hope](#), a multi-service agency at the forefront of efforts in Boston to move families up and out of poverty, announces the members of its 2015 Boston Marathon team.

The 2015 version of the Project Hope Boston Marathon Team includes 25 members. While 14 of the runners currently live in Massachusetts, the other 11 represent seven other states: New Jersey (3), Virginia (2), Florida (2), and one each from New York, Illinois, Texas and Colorado.

Each runner has pledged to raise vital funds, all of which will go to support Project Hope's programs.

The number of first-time runners is particularly heartening to Elizabeth Zarrella Maglio, Project Hope's Director of Sustainability and Outcomes.

"Of the 25 runners, 19 are first-time members of the Project Hope Marathon Team," said Maglio. "We're pleased to see that while we do have some returning runners, we also have a lot of new faces contributing to the Project Hope cause. This tells us that word about our organization and its mission is getting around."

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Project Hope has fielded a Boston Marathon Team since 2011. Over the years, the organization's marathon runners and their networks have raised critical funds to help low income and homeless families overcome incredible obstacles. The runners, like the women in Project Hope's programs, are "people of exceptional strength," noted Maglio.

Project Hope is a multi-service agency at the forefront of efforts in Boston to move families past homelessness and poverty. The organization provides low-income women with children access to education, jobs, housing, and emergency services. Project Hope also fosters personal transformation and works with the community and state for broader systems change.

More information about Project Hope is available at www.prohope.org.

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