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Boston Women’s Fund Supports Launch of Jinny Chalmers Fund for Education Justice

BOSTON (January 21, 2021) – On January 20, 2021 The Boston Women’s Fund (BWF) announced their partnership with the family of Jinny Chalmers, a beloved Boston Public Schools educator who was fatally struck while riding her bike in November of 2020. BWF will serve as partner and fiscal agent for the Jinny Chalmer’s Fund for Education Justice.

BWF is a Boston-based nonprofit that has supported grassroots initiatives for almost 40 years. BWF’s work embraces community-based organizations that strive to create racial, economic and gender justice for women and girls including transwomen and girls, nonbinary and gender nonconforming people in Greater Boston and beyond.

“We are proud to be able to support Jinny’s family in launching a fund honoring her legacy” states Natanja Craig-Oquendo, BWF’s Executive Director, “especially as our missions and values are so deeply aligned.”

The Jinny Chalmers Fund for Education Justice honors the life and legacy of Virginia “Jinny” Chalmers, an educator, principal, mentor, and a deep believer in racial and social justice in education. The Jinny Chalmers Fund will continue her life’s work to create a more inclusive and equitable experience for Boston’s students and educators.

Together, The Boston Women’s Fund and the Jinny Chalmers Fund for Education Justice hope to create a powerful synergy that will lead to greater accessibility and racial justice in Boston Public Schools, the greater Boston area and beyond.

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Boston Women’s Fund
The Boston Women’s Fund is a progressive foundation that supports community-based organizations and grassroots initiatives run by women and girls in order to create a society based on racial, economic and social justice. We strive for a world free of racism, poverty, sexism and other oppressions. www.bostonwomensfund.org

Jinny Chalmers Fund
The Jinny Chalmers Fund for Education Justice was established to honor the life of Virginia “Jinny” Chalmers and to carry on her work as an educator, a mentor, a community leader and a fierce advocate for racial justice and equity in education. www.jinnychalmersfund.org