

# Newsletter Inaugural Edition



U.S. Senator Ed Markey, Chair of the CAP Collaborative, at the center of a reunion of summer CAP Fellows, CAP Collaborative Executive Fellows, and friends of CAP. On the far left, keynote speaker Mark Gearan, Director of Harvard's Institute of Politics and former Director of the Peace Corps. MassBio CEO Joe Boncore, the host of the reunion, is visible on the top left next to MA Secretary of Transportation Jamie Tesler, both CAP Collaborative Executive Fellows, Spring 2022

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## Hello, members of the CAP Community!

We are pleased to share this inaugural edition of our CAP Newsletter. While we are still a young and relatively small startup, the complexity of our activities and the number of participants in our programs continue to grow, seemingly exponentially. So we thought to share with our extended CAP family a periodic newsletter that captures some of the energy of our programs and some of the many accomplishments of our graduates and faculty --

especially our summer CAP Fellows and our CAP Collaborative Executive Fellows. While this newsletter isn't comprehensive, it's meant to be a quick read/view and a way of keeping our CAP family better informed and connected. I hope you'll get a sense of how CAP is advancing a new generation of diverse and talented change-makers, and how CAP is accelerating collaboration between leaders in the public and private sectors.

#### CAP Reunion Party at MassBio

On June 28, CAP held its reunion party at MassBio. This event brought together alumni of <u>CAP Collaborative</u> and <u>CAP Fellows</u>, existing and incoming Fellows for both programs, CAP faculty, and friends of CAP. This event was also joined by a special guest, U.S. Senator Ed Markey, and keynote speaker Mark Gearan, Director of Harvard's Institute of Politics. We are grateful to our hosts --<u>Joe Boncore</u>, CEO at MassBio, and <u>Kendalle Burlin O'Connell</u>, President and COO at MassBio-- for making this reunion possible. Both Kendalle and Joe were CAP Executive Fellows in Fall 2021 and Spring 2022.



#### **CAP Fellows Program**

This past month, CAP launched its 4th summer fellowship program which brings together a group of <u>twenty-one graduate students</u> in public policy and law from UMass campuses, Northeastern, and Suffolk for a paid internship. With a focus on diversity, CAP Fellows spend 10-12 weeks interning with a range of offices, including on Beacon Hill.

With an emphasis on "real world" experience, once a week, Fellows return to CAP for roundtable discussions with practitioners, reporters, editors, pollsters, PR teams, government, and business leaders. The focus is on strategy and tactics in advancing public policy.



#### CAP Collaborative Spring 2022 Cohort Graduation

The CAP Collaborative recently graduated its <u>second cohort of twenty Executive Fellows</u> from the public and private sectors. This unique cross-training program, co-chaired by United States Senator Ed Markey and Rapid7 CEO Corey Thomas (himself a graduate of the

Inaugural CAP Collaborative) kicked off with an overnight orientation at the Warren Conference Center in Ashland featuring former MA Governors Mike Dukakis and Bill Weld, recently elected State Senator Lydia Edwards, and MA Competitive Partnership CEO Jay Ash, along with HBS/HKS Professor Dutch Leonard.

Over seven consecutive Thursdays, the twenty Executive Fellows --who included two state cabinet secretaries, a mayor, and the CEO of a publicly-traded company, among others--were taught by more than thirty expert and successful practitioners and leaders. But the high point of the CAP Collaborative continues to be the learning from one another, and a highlight continues to be the shadowing exercise where Executive Fellows spend a day experiencing the complexity and challenges facing a leader from the other sector.

The program concluded at the UMass Club with talks from former Governor Deval Patrick and United States Attorney Rachael Rollins, and a keynote address by Bob Rivers, CEO of Eastern Bank. The next cohort of the CAP Collaborative begins in the fall with an equally strong group of high-achieving Executive Fellows and a similar curriculum with exceptional speakers on cutting-edge topics of mutual concern.



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#### **CAPers IN THE NEWS**

## Peter Bauer, CAP Collaborative Executive Fellow - Spring 2022

• <u>CEO of Mimecast plans expansion under private ownership</u>. By Jon Chesto, Globe Staff.



Former Mayor of Somerville Joe Curtatone, now President of the Northeast Clean Energy Council, Executive Fellow - Spring 2022

• Out of city hall, but still loving their cities: 5 former mayors embark on their next acts. By John Laidler, Boston Globe Correspondent.

## State Rep. Marjorie Decker, CAP Faculty

• Sponsor of Mass. 'red flag' law: 'There's nothing theoretical about the lives saved'. By Marjorie Decker.

## Mahesh Admankar, CAP Fellow - Summer 2022

• <u>Breaking Barriers to Build Black Wealth</u>. Massachusetts Business Roundtable (MBR) Blogpost. By Mahesh Admankar, CAP Fellow and Intern at MBR.

## David Hogg and John Rosenthal, CAP Faculty

• When it comes to gun control, our children are Generation Abandoned. By David Hogg and John Rosenthal.

## U.S. Attorney Rachael Rollins, CAP Faculty

• <u>US Attorney Rachael Rollins opens probe of racism in Everett city government</u>. By Adrian Walker, Boston Globe Staff.



Steve Poftak, CAP Collaborative Executive Fellow - Fall 2021 [and quoting Jamey Tesler, CAP Collaborative Executive Fellow - Spring 2022]

• State transportation leaders confident in MBTA leader Steve Poftak amid federal safety review. By Taylor Dolven Globe Staff.

Davis Companies, Stephen Davis, CAP Collaborative Executive Fellow - Fall 2021, and Jon Davis, CAP Faculty

• <u>Developer set to buy 95-acre tank farm site near Encore casino in Everett</u>. By Jon Chesto Globe Staff.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### CAP SUMMER FELLOWS GRADUATION

On August 11, 2022, CAP will be celebrating the summer Fellows <u>Class of 2022</u> for their completion of the fellowship program at the Museum of African American History.

#### KICK-OFF OF CAP COLLABORATIVE FALL 2022 PROGRAM

CAP will commence its 3rd Collaborative Program this Fall on September 15. To learn more about the program, please visit <u>our website</u>.

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## DO YOU HAVE ANY NEWS?



Please share with us any highlights of your career that you would like to be shared with our CAP community. This can include new positions, articles in the paper, institutional milestones, etc. Send any news to <a href="mailto:Irajackson2020@gmail.com">Irajackson2020@gmail.com</a>.

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