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Event to take place on May 19, 11:00 a.m., at the newly opened Mattapan Public Library

On **Tuesday, May 19, 11:00a.m., at the Mattapan Public Library** Thrive in 5 will:

- Issue the first report on the Thrive in 5 School Readiness Indicators
- Celebrate Boston's progress toward universal school readiness
- Introduce the new Thrive in 5 Leadership Council
- Report on new outreach

Thrive in 5 Leadership Council Co-Chairs **Liz Walker**, Principal of The Walker Group: Communications Specialist (former WBZ anchor), and **Randal Rucker**, CEO of Family Service of Greater Boston, will host the event.

Featured speakers include Thrive in 5 sponsors **Mayor Thomas M. Menino** and **Michael K. Durkin**, President and CEO of United Way of Massachusetts Bay and Merrimack Valley.

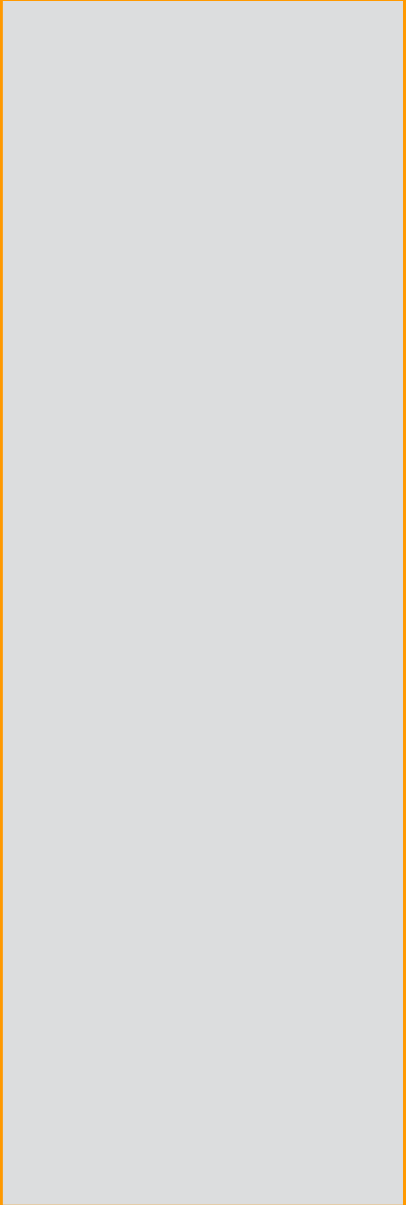
[> Space is limited. Click here to R.S.V.P. today](#)

The Mattapan Public Library is located at 1350 Blue Hill Avenue, Mattapan, MA 02126. Limited parking is available.

[> Click here for directions to the Mattapan Public Library](#)

Massachusetts House Budget Released

Tracking investments in early childhood



On April 15 2009, the Massachusetts House Committee on Ways and Means (HWM) released their proposed state budget for fiscal year 2010. With the budget season well underway, organizations across the Commonwealth are tracking the state's investments in its youngest children and their families. Check out the following resources to better understand the HWM FY10 budget and its implications:

[> Click here to view the House Ways and Means Budget](#)

[> Click here for an overview of the budget by the Massachusetts Budget and Policy Center](#)

[> Click here for a report on line-items that impact children and families by the Home for Little Wanderers.](#)

[> Click here to find out the names of your elected officials.](#)

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