

# 2013 BROOKLINE WOMAN OF THE YEAR

## Women's Commission Honoring Brookline Lawyer/Activist Rita McNally

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The Brookline Commission for Women has named Rita McNally as the 2013 Brookline Woman of the Year “for her efforts to promote cultural, racial and economic diversity and equality in Brookline.” McNally will be honored at the 21st Annual Women Who Inspire Us ceremony on Monday, March 18, 2013 6 p.m., at the Main Library. McNally had been an educator for 25 years when, in 1980, she went back to law school and started working for the Attorney General in the Medicaid Fraud Division. She then went to work for the Norfolk District Attorney’s Office in the Education/Community Outreach Department for more than 12 years.

Over the years, she has served Brookline as a Town Meeting member, a Rotarian, a member of the Community Emergency Response Team, the Brookline Domestic Violence Roundtable, the Jennifer A. Lynch Committee Against Domestic Violence, the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration Committee, the Brookline B-CAN Advocacy Subcommittee, and the Brookline Human Relations/Youth Resources Commission, of which she is currently chair. The TAB asked her about her career, her award, and what inspires her.