The Garden of Peace

Mission Statement

The Garden of Peace was dedicated in 2004 with a mission to create and maintain a memorial to victims of homicide that through its location in Boston near the Massachusetts State House:

- Raises the awareness of citizens, public officials, and business leaders of the human cost of violence
- Stands as a symbol of connection for the many and diverse communities and constituencies in Massachusetts touched by violence, who share a common grief and common hope; and
- Provides a site for anti-violence education and advocacy groups, survivor groups and individual survivors, that is both evocative and inspirational.

Transfer to MOVA

In January 2019, the Mass. Office for Victim Assistance (MOVA) assumed responsibility for the Garden's administration and management and carrying forward its mission. MOVA serves all crime victims, witnesses, their family members and direct victim service providers throughout the Commonwealth.