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## **Elizabeth Stone House Biographies**



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### **Evelyn Rivera Beaudreault Co-Executive Director**

Evelyn Rivera Beaudreault has more than 25 years experience in the Human Services field working with individuals of various ethnic and socio economic backgrounds in the areas of women's mental health, victim services and early intervention/child development. In 2000, she joined the Elizabeth Stone House to manage and oversee the support groups program. She was appointed co-executive director in 2007 and is currently responsible for all programming at the Stone House.

A survivor of childhood domestic violence, Rivera Beaudreault has worked with many families, children, batterers and the judicial system over the years. In 2002, she served as a domestic violence advocate and resource specialist for the AWAKE Project at Boston's Children's Hospital. In addition to her work at the Elizabeth Stone House, she is also a co-facilitator of a domestic violence group at Roxbury Comprehensive Services.

Rivera Beaudreault holds a bachelor's degree in Psychology from Cedar Crest College in Pa., and is certified by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health as a facilitator for the domestic violence intervention program.

### **Nancy Owens Hess Co-Executive Director**

Nancy Owens Hess brings many years of experience working in corporations and internationally to her current role at the Elizabeth Stone House. She joined the Stone House in 1998 as the children's service coordinator and was appointed co-executive director in 2007. As co-executive director of the Elizabeth Stone House, Owens Hess oversees all of the organization's operations.

Prior to the Elizabeth Stone House, Owens Hess was the executive director and founder of Institute for Transitional Economies, an organization that developed training programs for adult learners from the People's Republic of China and the countries of the former Soviet Union. Early on in her career, she was the president and owner of CET, Inc. that developed international exchanges and language learning programs with the People's Republic of China.

Owens Hess holds a master's and bachelor's degree in Sociology/Anthropology from Northeastern University in Boston, Mass.