Faces Of New Bedford - #14: Dana Rebeiro

Meet Dana Rebeiro, a City Councilor and a Community of Color Outreach member of the Massachusetts Democratic Party. She is the councilor of Ward 4, which encompasses most of the West End of New Bedford, some of the South End, and even Pope's Island.



Dana returned to the city she loved after living in various places like New York, LA and even parts of South America. Her love is what has perpetuated her desire to help the city move forward. Influences here, both good and bad, have inspired her voice for people who don't otherwise have one. Her father was a Panther Party leader, who was falsely imprisoned for murder and released 13 years later to the community where he lived and continued to advocate for the poor. This virtue he passed on to his oldest daughter and it stays with her to this day.

Her hope is to help create opportunities for the poor and working class to bring back to life the dying middle class this city once had. She is a firm believer that by creating more home and business owners who are citizens of New Bedford, we will be able to strengthen our economy.

"What good is the torch if you don't pass it on. There is so much unlocked potential in our city and all it takes is someone being inspired enough to help someone move beyond what they believe their limits are."

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