

My Story



Born in the Democratic Republic of Congo on the continent of Africa, Leonard Tshitenge is a Certified Boston Poet approved by the Mayor's Office of Arts and Culture, Dynamic Consultant, Community Builder and Speaker. Leonard migrated with his family to the United States in Boston Massachusetts at the age of 16. He studied at Fisk University, a historical Black College in Nashville, Tennessee. Fisk helped him develop his unparalleled ability as a Poet, Keynote Speaker, Youth and Community Leader and advocate. He received his Bachelor Degree in Human Services and Master's in Psychology with a concentration in Behavioral Health. His model of engagement has been center on mindful of multi-ethnic sensitivity in cross-cultural interaction with on the model of the Cultural Competence , Emotional Intelligence and Cultural Intelligence

In the past, Massachusetts Assistant Secretary of Business Development & International Trade, Mr. Nam Pham was sent by the governor of Massachusetts Governor Charlie Baker to Congratulate Mr. Tshitenge's efforts on working toward building Social entrepreneurship and Art platform for more inclusive dialogue of Young African Diaspora Entrepreneurs at the public and government sectors.

In addition, Mr. Tshitenge received Professional Training in Creating and Maintaining Social Enterprises and fundamentals of starting and running a Business by the Mandela Washington D.C Fellowship for Young African Leaders launched by President Obama to support young African leaders. He also serve on the Reader Committee of the Mandela Washington D.C Fellowship for Young African Leaders launched by President Obama to support young African leaders as they seek to encourage growth and prosperity, democratic governance, and peace and security.

For over 10 years , Mr. Tshitenge has done various workshops and presentations for the Archdiocese of Boston Office of Outreach and Cultural diversity through Black Catholic Ministries Programs. (Youth/Families Ministries, Retreats and Conferences)

Further, Mr. Tshitenge has extensive Clinical Professional Training in Mental Health Therapeutic Interventions where he provided Therapeutic Mentoring and Coaching to Youth and Families in order to enhance interpersonal communications skills, practice safety and develop wellness plan while facilitating groups and helped them obtain community resources. His accomplishment let him to become the Director of Coaching and Family Interventions at Fathers Uplift, In, Boston 1st Outpatient Clinic - Focused on Fathers, Paternal Child Health and Male engagement which let him to received The Community Father leader award by the (CPLAN) The Collaborative Parent Leadership Action Network .

In 2017, Leonard was invited to Join the planning Team to design a public plaza in Boston @Barlett Oasis - Public art Installations. The City of Boston has seen Leonard contributions grow for over 10 years servicing and advocating for people of African descent in their local and international communities. He utilizes his unparalleled ability to inspire and bring people of all ethnic, religious, and economic backgrounds together in the interest of Arts, Social Entrepreneurship, Faith and Mental health.