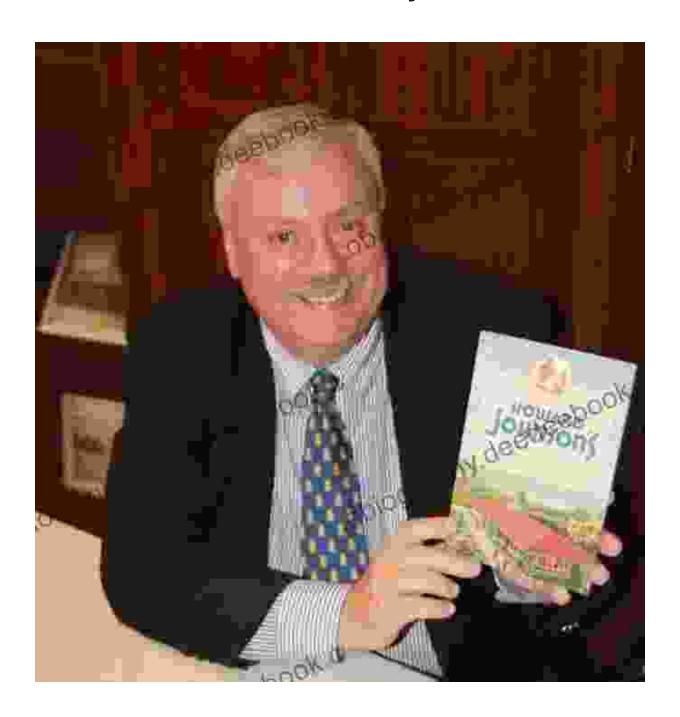
# **East Boston's Anthony Mitchell Sammarco: A Life Dedicated to Community**



#### A Man of the People

Anthony Mitchell Sammarco was born in East Boston in 1942. His parents, Italian immigrants, instilled in him the values of hard work, compassion, and

service to others. From a young age, Anthony was involved in his community, volunteering his time at the local church and helping to organize neighborhood events.



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After graduating from high school, Anthony attended Boston College, where he earned a degree in social work. He then returned to East Boston and began his career as a community organizer. In 1977, he co-founded the East Boston Community Development Corporation (EBCDC), a non-profit organization dedicated to revitalizing the neighborhood.

Under Anthony's leadership, the EBCDC implemented a wide range of programs and initiatives aimed at improving the lives of East Boston residents. These programs included affordable housing development, job training, youth development, and educational support. Anthony's tireless efforts helped to transform East Boston into a thriving community where all residents had the opportunity to succeed.

### A Champion for Social Justice

In addition to his work with the EBCDC, Anthony was also a passionate advocate for social justice. He was a vocal critic of racism, poverty, and inequality. He worked closely with local organizations to fight for the rights of immigrants, the elderly, and the homeless.

Anthony's commitment to social justice extended beyond East Boston. He served on the board of directors of several national organizations, including the National Association of Community Development Corporations and the United Way of Massachusetts Bay. He also worked closely with elected officials at the local, state, and federal levels to advocate for policies that would benefit low-income communities.

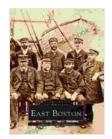
#### **A Legacy of Service**

Anthony Mitchell Sammarco passed away in 2015 at the age of 73. He left behind a legacy of service and dedication to East Boston. His work has had a lasting impact on the neighborhood, and his spirit continues to inspire others to work for a more just and equitable society.

In recognition of his extraordinary contributions, Anthony has received numerous awards and honors. He was inducted into the Massachusetts Social Work Hall of Fame in 2003, and in 2015, the East Boston Branch of the Boston Public Library was renamed in his honor. His legacy will continue to live on through the countless lives he touched and the community he helped to build.

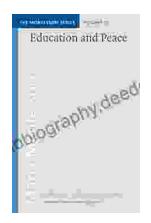
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