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BROOKLYN COMMUNITY BAIL FUND ANNOUNCES NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

NEW YORK, NY - Brooklyn Community Bail Fund (BCBF) founding Executive Director Peter Goldberg announced today that Carl Hamad-Lipscombe, currently BCBF's director of advocacy and policy, will assume the role of executive director in mid-July.

"I'm proud and grateful to have been part of an organization that has fiercely fought for freedom and systems change with unwavering commitment. Carl and the incredible BCBF team will continue to do inspiring work every day—with impact that travels way beyond Brooklyn and encompasses far more than bail," says **Peter Goldberg, founding executive director of Brooklyn Community Bail Fund.**

Hamad-Lipscombe is a policy strategist, organizer, and movement leader who has worked at the intersection of immigration, criminal law reform, and racial justice for nearly 20 years. He joined BCBF in 2020, having previously led national policy, communications, and research initiatives at the Black Alliance for Just Immigration; managed philanthropic investments in prosecution reform, indigent defense, and access to counsel at Arnold Ventures; and served as a public defender at The Bronx Defenders.

Goldberg will remain an advisor for BCBF after stepping down as executive director. During his tenure, BCBF paid bail from 2015-2019 to free more than 5,000 people from New York City jails, launched the nation's largest immigration bond fund that has freed more than 600 people since 2018, and helped form the National Bond Fund Network and Court Watch NYC. He also guided the organization through its 2019 decision to stop paying bail in New York City's criminal legal system and the redirection of \$4.6 million received during the 2020 uprisings to pay bail for demonstrators and to support Black-led organizing in New York.

Brooklyn Community Bail Fund works alongside impacted communities to dismantle the oppressive and interconnected criminal legal and immigration systems. With freedom as our guiding principle, we invest in innovative campaigns and programs that aim to win long-term, transformative change, while meeting the urgent needs of community members in the present.

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