

Throwback: Ed O.G. & Da Bulldogs-Be A Father To Your Child



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Ed O.G. became one of the first major rappers out of Boston in 1991 when he and Da Bulldogs released *Life Of A Kid In The Ghetto*. His first recording was with his F.I.T. crew as a 15-year old teenager. Their "Suzi Q" single gave him the bearings to form Ed. O.G. and Da Bulldogs with help from New York's Awesome Two (Special K and Teddy Ted) in 1989. "Be A Father To Your Child" used the easiness of Roy Ayers's "Searching" to bring up the issue of fatherhood without the haughty nature of a sermon. The Awesome Two and Joe Mansfield produced the album and they used more warm soul/jazz samples endemic of the boom bap sound for "I Got To Have It." Their contract ended after the release of *Roxburxy 02119* and Ed O.G. started releasing solo material with the 1996 *Truth Hurts* EP. He's released 10 solo albums most of which are critically acclaimed including 2004's *My Own Worst Enemy* with Pete Rock and the 2009 album, *Arts and Entertainment* with Masta Ace. In April of 2014 Ed O.G. met the goals of his [Kickstarter](#) campaign to fund his 11th solo album, *After All These Years*, which is slated for release in July.