

Imagine Boston 2030

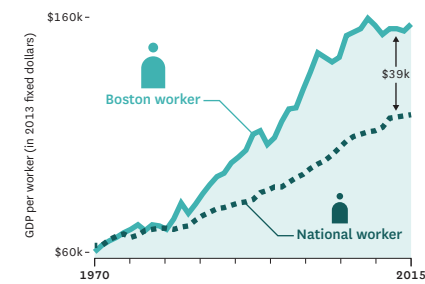
15,000 voices guided Imagine Boston 2030

Today, Boston is in a uniquely powerful position to make our city more affordable, equitable, connected, and resilient. We will seize this moment to guide our growth to support our dynamic economy, connect more residents to opportunity, create vibrant neighborhoods, and continue our legacy as a thriving waterfront city.

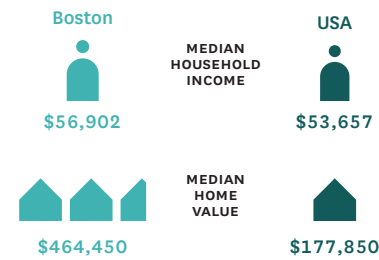
Context [page 54](#)

Boston responds to its strengths and challenges, including:

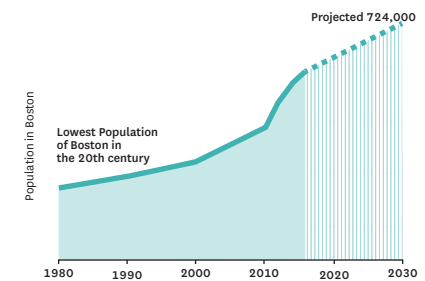
Productive Economy People who work in Boston generate \$27B in incremental productivity each year.



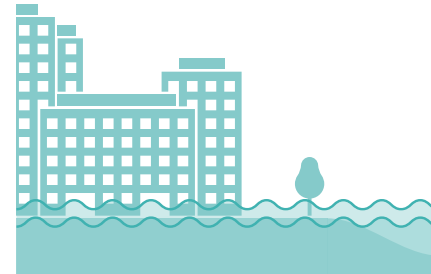
Affordability Median household income is the same as the nation, but homes are two-and-a-half times as expensive.



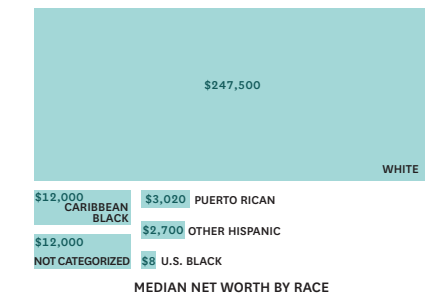
A Growing Population Boston grew twice as fast as the nation between 2010 and 2014.



Changing Climate As soon as the 2070s, more than \$80 billion of property value will be exposed to flooding.



Inequality There is a stark wealth gap between whites and people of color.



Transformative Technology Technology is changing how we work, live, and get around.



The Opportunity of Growth [page 108](#)

Boston is guiding growth to create new places to live and work, improve quality of life, and increase affordability.

- › Boston is projected to reach a population of 724,000 by 2030 and 801,000 by 2050, up from 656,000 in 2014.
- › Boston is expected to have 829,000 workers by 2030 and more than 900,000 jobs by 2050, up from 719,000 in 2014.

Taking Action [page 136](#)

Boston identifies physical locations where integrated growth, enhancement and preservation will respond to opportunities and challenges. →

Initiatives [page 288](#)

Boston outlines programs, policies, and investments to support each of the action areas.

- › Housing
- › Health & Safety
- › Education
- › Economy
- › Energy & Environment
- › Open Space
- › Transportation
- › Technology
- › Arts & Culture
- › Land Use & Planning

Next Steps [page 399](#)

- Boston will implement the plan by:
- › Building partnerships with the public, private and non-profit sectors
 - › Identifying and coordinating funding sources
 - › Testing new policies through pilots
 - › Setting metrics to measure success

INITIATIVES

Initiatives to support Boston's dynamic economy and improve quality of life for residents by encouraging affordability, increasing access to opportunity, promoting a healthy environment and guiding investment in the public realm. Initiatives range from strengthening Franklin Park, to investing in quality universal Pre-K, to improving connections, frequency and experience on the Fairmount/Indigo Line.

ENCOURAGE A MIXED-USE CORE

Continue to encourage dense, walkable, mixed-use development and public realm improvements to foster a core where more people live, work, and gather.

EXPAND NEIGHBORHOODS

Provide significant new mixed-use housing and encourage job growth in transit-accessible areas at the edges of existing neighborhoods to reduce housing-price pressure, expand access to opportunity, and stitch together the physical fabric of the city.

ENHANCE NEIGHBORHOODS

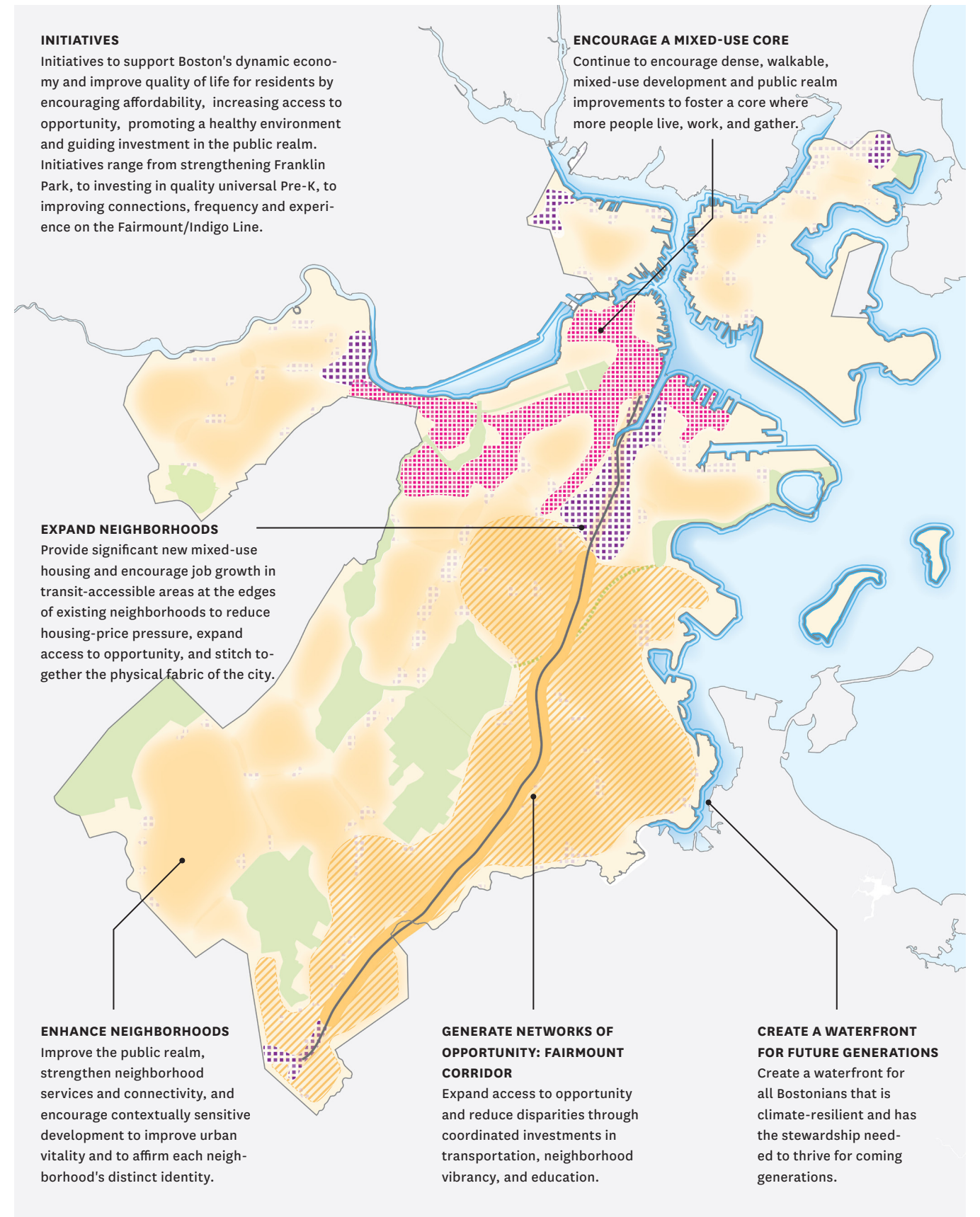
Improve the public realm, strengthen neighborhood services and connectivity, and encourage contextually sensitive development to improve urban vitality and to affirm each neighborhood's distinct identity.

GENERATE NETWORKS OF OPPORTUNITY: FAIRMOUNT CORRIDOR

Expand access to opportunity and reduce disparities through coordinated investments in transportation, neighborhood vibrancy, and education.

CREATE A WATERFRONT FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS

Create a waterfront for all Bostonians that is climate-resilient and has the stewardship needed to thrive for coming generations.



Bostonians have a vision for the future.

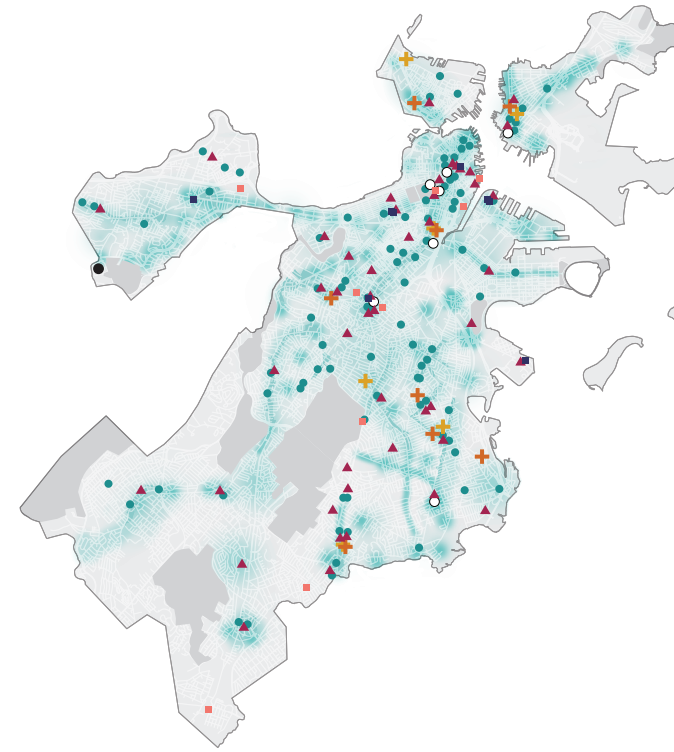
More than 15,000 resident voices have articulated the challenges Boston faces, set goals for the city in 2030, and generated ideas about policies and investments to achieve these goals. At community workshops and open houses, in their neighborhoods, on their commutes, and online, Bostonians have shared a vision for the future.

Residents called for an equitable city where more people are able to participate in and benefit from the opportunities associated with Boston's growth. Bostonians envisioned a city where residents of all

incomes can afford housing and where there are convenient, safe, and reliable options for getting around. They imagined a school system that unlocks job opportunities for every person and neighborhoods with vibrant open spaces and cultural life.

This plan brings together Bostonians' ideas and responds to their imperatives. Imagine Boston invited feedback on the initiatives and ideas included in this document and encourages continued engagement. Many have weighed in, and every voice matters.

Citywide Engagement



15,000+

voices have shaped this plan

- Suggestion boxes
- Photo booths
- + Community workshops (March 2016)
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- Street team (March 2016)
- Panel discussion & forum (March 2016)
- ▲ Engagement team (September–October 2016)
- Imagine Boston Week events (Dec. 2016)
- Winter/Spring 2017 events

2015 → 2016 → 2017

