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## Reinforce the Centre/South corridors as the local & regional center of Jamaica Plain



- Create gateway locations to and on the corridor
- Enhance connections to open spaces
- Integrate connections to and management of side streets
- Maximize connections to public transportation





#### CAC and Ex-Officio Members (to be added)

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# Centre-South Streetscape and Transportation Action Plan

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## **Vision Statement**



Diverse, and unified...Beautiful, and functional
Special, and ordinary...Connected, and stands alone
is the vision for Jamaica Plain's Centre/South Street corridor.
place where all uses and users are functionally and aesthetically integrated in a safe.

A place where all uses and users are functionally and aesthetically integrated in a safe, convenient and accessible environment.



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## Build upon the corridor's identity to create a 21st century street with a Jamaica Plain character



- Creatively utilize space adjacent to and behind buildings to enhance commercial vitality (Farmers Markets, Rear doors, outdoor seating)
- Provide special places for people to be along the corridor
- Celebrate the rich history of the corridor



#### Physical infrastructure

- Ensure a well-lit street environment, with fixtures and storefront lighting of appropriate scale
- Increase street trees/canopy with species appropriate to adjacent land uses

#### Cultural infrastructure

- Create an environment and infrastructure that encourages people to choose car-free transportation
- Support a vibrant local business community
- Restore appropriate density along the corridor, with more mixed uses



- Preserve and expand public art (murals, et al) [Centre Street Artwalk]
- Encourage a sense of community responsibility and pride of ownership in the streetscape.
- Successfully marry design of public and private realms to provide a seamless sense of place.



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- Employ sustainable design strategies for all softscape and hardscape installations, to reduce the corridor's carbon footprint
- Plan appropriate space for community events and celebrations

- Reduce visual sidewalk/street clutter, with attention to removing the catenary poles
- Employ sustainable design strategies for all installations



### Create a place for all uses and users



- Preserve adequate traffic flow throughout the district
- Optimize management of parking resources
- Factor in the operational needs of businesses and business functions
- Promote and enhance the neighborhood's transit system to serve Jamaica Plain's future.

- Provide additional resources to support high bicycling interest and activity with a safe, convenient bicycling environment
- Address the differing needs of users, including youth, elderly, and the handicapped community
- Develop a pedestrian friendly corridor with a focus on pedestrian nodes and continuous sidewalk paths

