Priorities and Visions for this Process

What We Heard

In March, we asked community members to consider their top priorities for PLAN: Mattapan and then come up with a vision statement. Below are the top 3 priorities that the community identified as well as two priorities that the City’s planning team considered integral to the process. You will also see the vision statements that were generated by the community at our March meeting.

Priorities

- Preserve existing affordability and stability in the neighborhood
- Preserve the existing culture of Mattapan
- Create opportunities for new business types
- Improve transit/mobility options and experience
- Support homeownership across all income levels

One Vision for PLAN: Mattapan

The vision statement below is a work in progress. It represents the common themes from the vision statements produced by the community and encompasses the priorities that were identified. If you would like to edit or modify this statement, please grab a card from the table, make your edits in the space between the lines and drop it in the box provided.

Create a pleasant, culturally vibrant neighborhood with a range of housing options, recreation, shopping and entertainment opportunities.

Encourage and attract new businesses to enhance consumer choice and develop Mattapan’s economy. Improve the variety of public programming that appeals to a diverse cross-section of the population for parks and new public facilities that support education, art and maker space.

PLAN: Mattapan will...

Strengthen the existing culture and stability of the community by supporting affordable housing tenure, creating opportunities for businesses to thrive, and enhancing connections to improve the neighborhood’s experience accessing jobs and spaces where people can gather.

Offer an affordable place to live, with access to varied businesses and opportunities. Mattapan will have greater accessibility to green and blue space. It will be easy to connect to other neighborhoods via transit, and will be a desirable destination for visitors. Mattapan will write its own history.

Support housing across all income levels and generations, encourage diverse opportunities for a variety of business types (new & old), create better opportunities for connections across Mattapan (open space, programs, partnerships, art & mobility), endeavor to make these positive changes within 5 years.

Provide improved opportunities for new business within Mattapan that serve diverse populations, create gathering spaces that foster community, and improve transit and mobility to create better access for people to get to and from work, etc.