The BRA is reviewing proposals by Harvard University for a 350 to 500 bed graduate student housing project and by Northeastern University for an additional 470-bed project. Emmanuel College, Wentworth Institute of Technology, Massachusetts College of Art, and Massachusetts College of Pharmacy are preparing dormitory projects, although no formal proposals have yet been submitted. A new master plan recently released by Boston College includes a provision to add 450 more dormitory beds on campus.

It is clear, however, that for the foreseeable future, more college students will be moving into more on-campus housing. "Making more non-campus housing available to Boston families and non-students, and to students, will bring the total of number of dormitory beds on campus," Kasım Çınar, Acting Chairman.

The BRA survey found that four of Boston’s colleges and universities own or lease a total of 4,494 of these dormitory beds just outside city limits. Within the city, the number of dormitory beds in Boston increased to 23,985, or more than 33% since 1990.

Dormitory Beds Available to College Students in Boston - Fall 1999

- Boston College *6,859
- Boston University **9,614
- Harvard University ***10,431
- Massachusetts Institute of Technology ****2,652

The BRA recently conducted a survey on student dormitory space in Boston that revealed a positive sign - a dramatic increase in the number of dormitory beds in Boston's colleges and universities.

DORMITORY BEDS IN BOSTON'S COLLEGES

The recent Boston Redevelopment Authority survey shows an increase in dormitory beds in Boston's colleges and universities that has dramatically out-paced the increase in student enrollment. The survey found that, since 1990, total student enrollment increased by 4,480, or 3.4%, from approximately 131,000 to 135,480. Over that same period, the number of total dormitory beds available grew to 28,479, a 59% increase over 1990.

The addition of these 10,511 dormitory beds is the equivalent of freeing up approximately 2,600 apartment units so they can be rented by families and non-students.

More dorms free up 2,600 apartments in city
COLLEGES PROVIDING DORMITORY SPACE IN BOSTON

The BRA's survey revealed that not all of Boston's colleges and universities provide dormitories for their students. Of the 35 institutions of higher education located in the city, only 20 reported that they were providing on-campus housing for students in the 1999-2000 academic year.

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The 20 institutions that do provide dormitory housing are, often, Boston’s largest schools, accounting for 79% (106,418) of the total student enrollment of 135,480 and 78% (67,475) of the 86,494 undergraduate students.

INCREASE IN UNDERGRADUATES LIVING IN DORMITORIES

The survey found undergraduates were particularly affected by the increase in dormitory beds and that 96% of all dormitory beds in Boston's colleges and universities are allocated to undergraduates. Due to the increase in dormitory beds, 43.9% of full-time undergraduate students (and 33% of all undergraduates) now live on campus at Boston's colleges and universities.

WHERE THE DORMS ARE IN BOSTON

The survey found that college dormitories are primarily concentrated in only a few areas within the city. In fact, all of the 23,985 dormitory beds located in Boston are located in just six neighborhoods, as defined by zip code areas.