

PLAN: Mattapan

Preserve. Enhance. Grow.

Planning Process and Team

Why are we here?

PLAN: Mattapan is a City planning initiative that seeks to ensure that we preserve wisely, enhance equitably, and grow inclusively. We are here to work together to create a comprehensive vision for Mattapan planning area and guide future growth and investment. Today is one of many opportunities for you to share your thoughts, learn more about the initiative and shape the planning process.

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Housing
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Economic Development
Mayor's Office of Economic Development, Office of Business Development

Public Financing
Treasury, Assessing

Public Facilities
Boston Public Schools, Boston Public Library, Boston Police Department, Boston Fire Department, Property & Construction Management

Open Space
Parks and Recreation

Arts & Culture
Mayor's Office of Arts & Culture, Arts Commission

Public Transportation
MBTA

Transportation
Boston Transportation Department, Boston Bikes, MassDOT

Water
Boston Water & Sewer Commission

Public Works
Public Works Department, Public Improvement Commission

Environment/Sustainability/Climate Change
Environment Department, Boston Landmarks Commission, Boston Public Health Commission

Other Commissions and Departments
Boston Centers for Youth & Families, Elderly Commission, Commission for Persons with Disabilities

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What is PLAN: Mattapan?

PLAN: Mattapan builds on the goals and objectives from Imagine Boston 2030 and previous planning initiatives.

PLAN: Mattapan will set forth a holistic plan that encompasses the community's goals and aspirations, while preserving the neighborhood's existing character.

Specifically, PLAN: Mattapan offers six overarching goals:

- Encourage affordability, stabilize existing housing, and reduce displacement.
- Increase access to economic opportunities.
- Drive inclusive economic growth.
- Promote a healthy environment for all who live there.
- Invest in quality of life matters that shape the character of the Mattapan community, such as open space, arts and culture.
- Invest in infrastructure and transportation of all modes to support mobility within and to/from the neighborhood.

What will PLAN: Mattapan produce?



PLAN: Mattapan is a **community-driven** planning initiative.



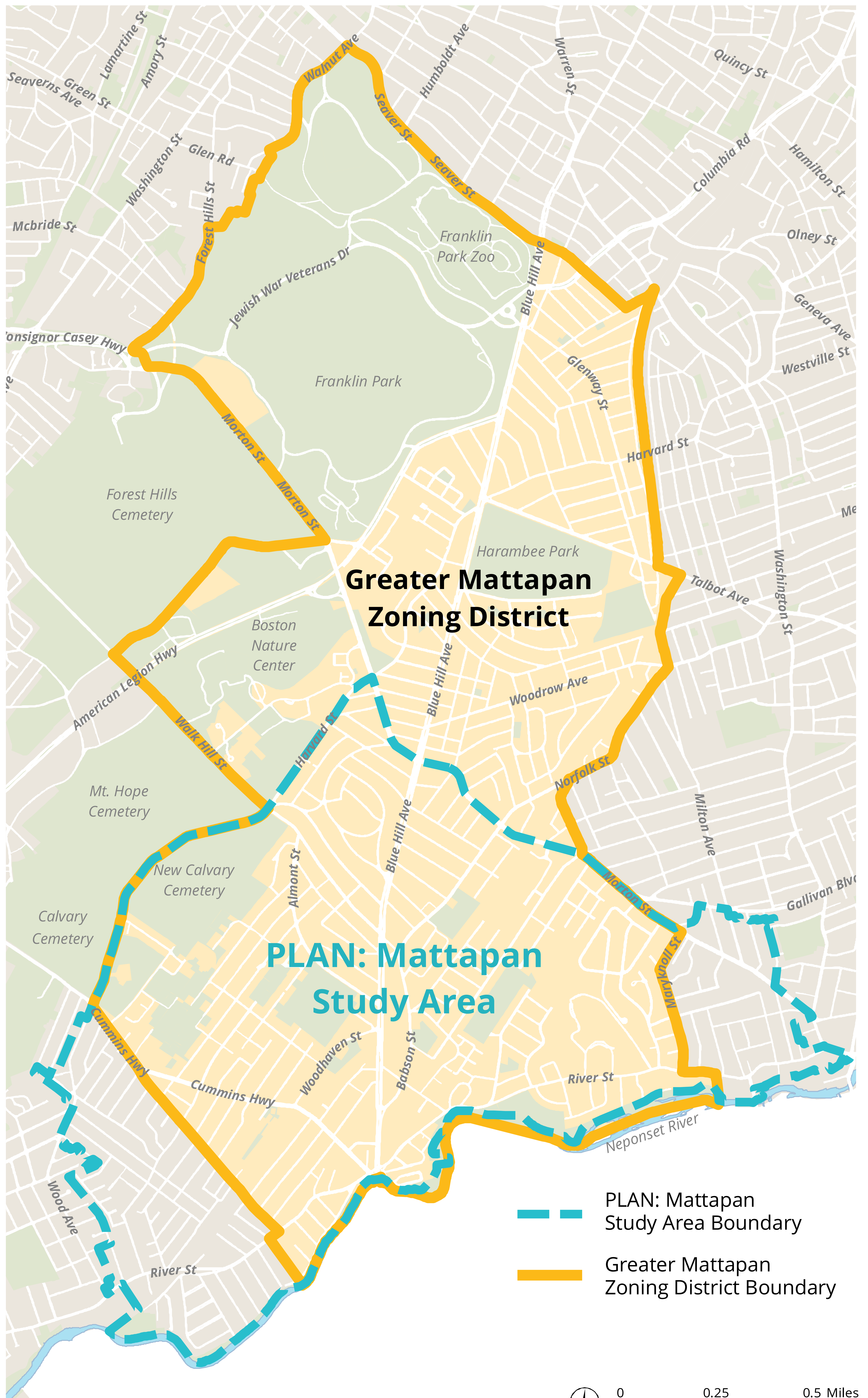
Neighborhood Plan that includes:
Existing Conditions and Vision Report
+ Transportation Recommendations
+ Urban Design Guidelines.



Short, Mid and Long-term Implementation Projects.



Place-based projects during the planning process, for example, sidewalk improvements.



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WHAT WE HEARD:



CURRENT CONDITIONS

STRENGTHS *A condition or feature that adds value to the neighborhood*

Housing

Homeownership
Community
Diversity

Neighborhood Identity

History of Mattapan
Diversity
Arts
Community

Transportation & Mobility

Blue Bikes
Trolley Line
Walk to transit

Open Space & Climate

Neponset Greenway
Access to parks

WEAKNESSES *A condition or feature that is lacking in the neighborhood*

Housing

Lack of senior housing
High rents
Rising rents

Neighborhood Identity

Language barriers
Limited community space
No arts and culture space

Transportation & Mobility

Pedestrian safety and experience
Travel time
Limited access
Limited frequency

Open Space & Climate

Public safety
Limited programming
Public realm needs improvement

FUTURE CONDITIONS

OPPORTUNITIES *Something that could improve the neighborhood or build off of an existing strength*

Housing

Increase affordable housing
Provide senior housing
Increase ownership

Neighborhood Identity

More programming
Public art
Community events
Historical society

Transportation & Mobility

Improve access
Improve design of streets for people
Improve public realm

Open Space & Climate

Create more open space
More programming
Improved access
Improved safety

THREATS *Something that could negatively impact a neighborhood in the future*

Housing

Displacement
Gentrification
Affordability
Density

Neighborhood Identity

Inaccessible development
Gentrification
Displacement

Transportation & Mobility

Gentrification with improved access
Traffic conditions

Open Space & Climate

Gentrification
Climate change
Affordability
Access

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What are your goals for Mattapan?

Tell us what you want us to focus on.

On the table below, there are 14 cards with goal statements written on them. These cards represent the common goals that we heard during the first meetings. Each of these cards falls into one of five themes as well: Jobs & Businesses, Transportation & Mobility, Housing, Open Space & Climate Change, and Neighborhood Identity. If one of these cards does not represent a goal you have for Mattapan, you can use one of the "Your Goal" cards to write your own.

- 1 Review the cards on the table.**
- 2 Select your top 3 cards.**
- 3 Tape your cards in the space below.**

Tape your three goal cards here.

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Visions We Have Heard So Far

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 statements that community members came up with. Take a moment to consider the statements below and add a star next to the ones that you agree with. Or, you can write you own vision for PLAN: Mattapan in the box at the bottom of this board.

Vision #1

For Mattapan to create a pleasant, culturally vibrant neighborhood with a range of housing options, recreation, shopping and entertainment opportunities.

Vision #2

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.

Vision #3

Mattapan will 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.

Vision #4

PLAN: Mattapan will... 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.

Vision #5

Mattapan will be 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.

What is your vision for PLAN: Mattapan?