



## Harvard University's Community Benefits in Allston-Brighton

Annual Report

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**HARVARD**  
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Harvard University is deeply committed to its long-standing partnerships with the Allston-Brighton neighborhood and the City of Boston.

Each year, Harvard delivers a wide range of community-serving benefits to Allston-Brighton residents, many of which are formalized through a series of agreements with the City of Boston, including:

175 North Harvard Street (4/4/2024)	ERC Phase A, Memorandum of Agreement (11/27/23)	92 Seattle Street Cooperation Agreement (4/12/23)
2013 IMP Cooperation Agreement (7/10/14)	Science Complex Cooperation Agreement (9/14/17)	

This report provides a comprehensive update on the University’s active commitments to Allston-Brighton and highlights the many exciting Harvard programs and partnerships taking place in the neighborhood daily.

“Harvard is committed to building connections that support neighbors and strengthen community. Our collaborations and partnerships in Allston-Brighton create opportunities for individuals of all ages to learn and grow.”

Alan M. Garber  
President | Harvard University



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# Harvard Ed Portal

## A Community Hub for Allston-Brighton

The Harvard Ed Portal connects the Allston-Brighton community with Harvard University through free, accessible programs for individuals of all ages. Offerings include academic youth mentoring, digital literacy, workforce and economic development, arts and culture, health and wellness, and initiatives that foster community connection. These programs serve Boston Public Schools students and educators, local residents and families, artists, small businesses, and working professionals. The Ed Portal also provides scholarships that enable access to various campus resources and programs, including the Harvard Extension School and Harvard Museums. By promoting learning and engagement, the Ed Portal strengthens the ties between the University and its neighbors.



### Harvard Ed Portal Programs



**Arts & Culture**  
Supporting a vibrant Allston-Brighton through visual and performing arts, capacity building opportunities for local artists, and youth development through creative arts.



**Health & Wellness**  
Providing Allston-Brighton residents with a variety of programs designed to promote a healthy body and mind.



**Workforce & Economic Development**  
Supporting and providing career advancement programs and scholarships to Allston-Brighton residents. Connecting local businesses with programs designed to promote success in a 21<sup>st</sup>-century economy.



**Digital Literacy & Learning**  
Empowering Allston-Brighton residents to build digital skills and engage in online learning through access to HarvardX scholarships and a supportive community of local learners.



**Youth Programming**  
Advancing Harvard's commitment to education through programs designed to support out-of-class-time learning and develop enthusiastic learners.



**Public School Partnerships**  
Bringing Harvard programs and resources to educators, parents, and students within Boston Public Schools in Allston-Brighton.



**Languages spoken by Ed Portal staff:** English | Spanish | Portuguese | Mandarin | Cantonese

### By the Numbers | July 2024 – June 2025

**3,163**  
Ed Portal members

**6.3K+**  
participants in Ed Portal programming

**390**  
events hosted by the Ed Portal

**453**  
participants across health & wellness programs

**1.9K+**  
participants reached through workforce & economic development programs

**1.9K+**  
Boston Public Schools students reached through educational programming

**2K+**  
estimated participants across arts & culture programming

**57**  
adult and youth scholarships for Allston-Brighton residents

# Captured:

A Year of Learning and Community at the Harvard Ed Portal



**1** Children enjoying *Concerts in the Common*, a free and family-friendly series supported by the Harvard Ed Portal and held at the Brighton Farmer's Market on select Wednesdays.

**2** *Fair Play*, an exhibition by Allston-Brighton artist Dyllan Nguyen, was on display at the Harvard Ed Portal's Crossings Gallery from October to December 2024. The exhibition invited visitors to explore how games can help them learn and connect to others. Photo credit: Mel Taing.

**3** In December 2024, the Harvard Ed Portal hosted its annual Small Business Resource Fair, connecting local entrepreneurs with experts and service providers. The fair brought together 18 partner organizations to support the small business community.

**4** Participants in the Harvard Careers in Construction Program visit Harvard's David Rubenstein Treehouse construction site in Allston.

**5** Diane Paulus, Terrie and Bradley Bloom Artistic Director of the American Repertory Theater at Harvard University, delivers the annual Rob Lue Memorial Lecture at the Harvard Ed Portal in April 2025.

**6** Seventh graders from the Mary Lyon School tour Harvard's campus during a Project Teach visit in Fall 2024.

# Pre-K-12 Educational Programs

Harvard is committed to providing educational programs to local students across all grade levels and supporting Boston Public Schools in Allston-Brighton. Initiatives include curriculum-based and academic enrichment programs, college and career pathways, STEM-focused internships, mentoring, professional development for educators, and family engagement activities.

## Academic Enrichment

The Harvard Ed Portal provides Allston-Brighton students in grades 3–8 with free academic support, mentoring, and enrichment clubs.

### Fall 2024 Clubs at the Ed Portal:

- **1st and 2nd Grade Club: Storytelling** – students created stories and learned the art of storytelling.
- **3rd – 5th Grade Club: Wild Wonders** – students explored wildlife-inspired art and deepened their connection with nature.
- **6th – 8th Grade Club: Thrill Engineering** – students explored hands-on engineering, fostering creativity and teamwork.

### Spring 2025 Clubs at the Ed Portal:

- **1st and 2nd Grade Club: Design Engineering** – students solved engineering problems.
- **3rd – 5th Grade Club: Microgreens** – students learned about and grew their own microgreens.

- **6th – 8th Grade Club: Science of Cooking** – students learned the science behind preparing their favorite meals.

The Harvard Ed Portal also offers clubs in the community led by Harvard undergraduates:

- **1st, 2nd, and 4th grade clubs** at the Gardner Pilot Academy.
- **All ages club** at the Faneuil Gardens Community Center.
- **Weekly homework drop-in sessions** at the Honan Allston Public Library

**106** students participated in enrichment clubs and academic support

## Mentoring

The Harvard Ed Portal offers a nine-week mentoring program for students in grades 3–8, connecting Allston-Brighton youth with Harvard undergraduates in one-on-one or small-group sessions designed to support the exploration of personal interests and cultivate a love of learning.

**27** students received mentoring and free academic support

“Interning with Project Teach was one of the most meaningful parts of my time at Harvard. Seeing middle school students light up as they explored campus reminded me how education can spark imagination and expand futures.”

**Tumi Mary Ògúndámisí**  
Project Teach Intern  
Harvard Graduate School of Education,  
Class of 2025

## College and Career Pathways

Through the Public School Partnerships team at the Harvard Ed Portal, College and Career Pathways programs serve K–12 students in Allston-Brighton public schools. Opportunities include campus visits, trips to the Harvard Museum of Natural History and Harvard Art Museums, performances at the American Repertory Theater, and hands-on learning experiences in Harvard laboratories.

### Harvard Education Day 6th Grade

Harvard Education Day is designed to build college awareness among local youth through sports. In January 2025, sixth graders from Allston-Brighton explored eight sports—many new to them—offering hands-on exposure to activities they might not otherwise experience. Participating Allston-Brighton schools included: Thomas A. Edison K8 School, Winship Elementary School, Gardner Pilot Academy, and the Mary Lyon School.

**175** Allston-Brighton students attended Education Day

### Project Teach – Harvard’s Official College and Career Awareness Program 7th Grade

Project Teach introduces college as an attainable goal for everyone. Boston Public Schools students attend a college class, eat in a dining hall, and talk with Harvard undergraduates to explore college life. The program focuses on communicating college and career goals, sharing resources, developing partnerships between students and colleges, and engaging families. During the 2024 - 2025 academic year, participating Allston-Brighton schools included: Boston Green Academy, Brighton High School, Gardner Pilot Academy, and the Mary Lyon School.

**168** Allston-Brighton students attended Project Teach

### Pi Day: STEAM Ahead 8th Grade

In March 2025, the Ed Portal hosted its third annual *Pi Day: STEAM Ahead* at the Harvard Science and Engineering Complex, welcoming Allston-Brighton eighth graders from Boston Public Schools for hands-on science workshops. Many students had participated in the full middle school college pathways programs—beginning with Education Day in sixth grade, followed by Project Teach in seventh grade, and culminating in Pi Day in eighth grade—highlighting the impact of sustained, curiosity-driven learning.

**91** Allston-Brighton students participated in Pi Day



▲ An eighth-grade student from Brighton High School observes her wind turbine in motion during an activity at the third annual Pi Day event, held at the Harvard Science and Engineering Complex in March 2025.

**Brighton College and Career Pathways Workshops**

In partnership with Brighton High School, the Ed Portal’s Public Schools Partnerships team ran workshops for all high school classrooms, helping students reflect on their values, plan for post-secondary success, and outline next steps. Lessons aligned with the MA MyCAP Initiative.

**519** Brighton High School student participants

**Brighton High School Seniors’ Day Out**

Brighton High School seniors visited Harvard’s campus for a day of interactive learning focused on post-secondary readiness. The day included a financial literacy workshop, lunch at Annenberg Hall, and a team-based exploration of Harvard Yard designed to build problem-solving skills and introduce key concepts for life after high school.

**81** Brighton High School student participants in Seniors’ Day Out

**Boston Green Academy 11th Grade Green Action Expo**

Each year, all students at the Boston Green Academy participate in an interdisciplinary research project conducted during the final quarter of the academic year. In fall 2024, the Public School Partnerships team contributed to the redevelopment of core instructional resources for the 11th-grade project. This work included establishing a repository of academic research materials, designing curriculum and lesson frameworks to guide both primary and secondary research, and developing additional materials to support the project.

**63** Boston Green Academy students reached

**Mary Lyon Pilot High School BRIDGE Week**

Mary Lyon Pilot High School students came to campus for two different exploration days. Students engaged in hands-on STEM learning with Harvard graduate students, toured labs, participated in an interactive college and career panel with Harvard students, and came away with a sense of belonging on Harvard’s campus.

**25** Mary Lyon Pilot High School students reached

**Family Programming**

Harvard supports family engagement through the Family Nurturing Center’s playgroups and programming for parents.

**Pre-K**

**Mind Matters: Families Make a Difference:**

Mind Matters is a 20-hour course that draws on the latest research to give families practical skills for supporting brain development and executive function in children ages three to eight.

**23** parent participants in workshops

**Family Nurturing Center Playgroups**

The Harvard Ed Portal hosts weekly Family Nurturing Center playgroups for children under age two and their parents. These sessions help reduce social isolation while supporting children’s cognitive development, physical strength, and social-emotional growth.

**250** parent and children participants



◀ Sixth graders from Allston-Brighton try fencing at Harvard’s Malkin Athletic Center during Harvard Education Day, January 2025



▲ A student mentee receives guidance from his Harvard College mentor while working on his project.

# Career Advancement and Professional Growth

Workforce Development programs are designed to set individuals up for success, supporting individuals at any stage in their careers. Through skills-based programs, workshops, coaching, and events, participants access career planning, development, training, and certification, to support their professional growth and goals.

## Workforce Development Workshops

The Ed Portal offers workshops led by industry experts to help individuals set and achieve their personal and professional goals. This year, the Ed Portal held six professional and personal development workshops including:

- *Imposter to Empowered*: Cultivating Agency & Confidence
- *Innovate with Intent*: Legacy in Focus
- *Legacy & Leadership*: Empowering Change Through Purpose
- *Mastering AI for Career Success*: Using AI to Get the Job
- *Mastering AI for Career Success*: Using AI to Keep the Job
- *Mastering AI for Career Success*: Using AI to Advance in the Job

**297** participants reached

## Individual Career Coaching

The Harvard Ed Portal’s Career Coaching program provides free one-on-one consultations with expert coaches in English and Spanish to support individuals in their job search. Sessions offer personalized guidance, tools, and resources to help participants advance their career goals.

**123** Allston-Brighton participants

## Networking and Resources

### Monday Job Seekers Connection and Career Café

The Monday Job Seekers Connection (MJSC) is a community of job seekers who support, encourage, motivate, and learn from each other through their job searches. MJSC brings professional career coaches, recruiters, and Human Resources representatives to support participants of all ages and all stages of their careers develop knowledge, skills, and mindsets to succeed in obtaining and retaining excellent career opportunities. Over the past year, the Ed Portal offered 27 workshops spanning a wide range of topics and opportunities to connect directly with employers. The Ed Portal also offered the Career Café, a drop-in space for accessing Harvard resources and working independently.

**763** participants in Monday Job Seekers Connection

**249** participants in Career Café



### Career Fairs

In October 2024 and May 2025, the Ed Portal held career fairs featuring 18 employers from the health sector, hospitality industry, and public sector—including the cities of Boston, Cambridge, and Somerville; Boston and Cambridge Public Schools; Big Brothers Big Sisters of Eastern Massachusetts; MassBioEd; TD Bank; and Harvard University Talent Acquisition.

**312** participants

## Career Pathway Programs

### Harvard Careers in Construction

The Harvard Careers in Construction Program provides Allston-Brighton residents with training, resources, mentoring, and paid experience to prepare for entry-level roles in architecture, engineering, and construction and sustainable building sectors. Participants complete a 20-hour industry exploration, earn OSHA 10 certification, and receive mentorship from professionals in their chosen field. Graduates receive a stipend and coaching to support their next career step.

**9** individuals placed

### Artist Pipeline Program

The Artist Pipeline is a free program that supports Allston-Brighton artists in building careers through workshops, resources, and individualized support. In a small cohort format, artists pursue self-identified goals, access Ed Portal and Harvard University resources, and advance their practice through a structured, self-directed development experience. The program culminates in a springboard activity or project, with participants earning a certificate of completion.

**8** artists supported

“The Careers in Construction program provided me with the skills, certifications, and confidence to pursue new opportunities in the construction industry. The support and connections I gained through the program gave me a clear direction forward, and I feel motivated to continue building my career. I truly appreciate the impact of this program and the commitment Harvard has shown to supporting the Allston-Brighton community.”

**Angelo Giuseppe**  
Graduate of the Harvard Careers in Construction Program

# Cultivating Small Business Success in Allston-Brighton

The Harvard Ed Portal provides workshops, coaching, and online learning to empower small businesses and entrepreneurs with strategic decision-making tools for success.

## Small Business Workshops

Led by industry leaders and experts, the small business workshops are designed to support small business owners in planning and investing in their companies. Last year’s topics included:

- Business Negotiation
- Sales and Marketing Adventure Workshop
- Building Business & Mental Resilience: Social Media, Content Creation, & More
- Small Business Certification and Procurement Panel

**526** small business attendees

## Harvard ManageMentor

ManageMentor is a series of three-week classes designed to provide small businesses with practical advice and essential skills for success. Through interactive exercises and Harvard Business School case studies participants gain the tools to advance their business goals effectively. This year, in collaboration with Harvard Extension School Instructor Areen Shahbari, the Harvard Ed Portal offered two sessions of the program:

- Decision Making*, providing a roadmap for understanding, implementing, and maximizing the benefits of prioritizing customers.
- Business Strategy Planning & Execution*, providing strategies on how to analyze internal and external factors, identify priority issues, develop actionable plans, define metric success, allocate resources, and adapt strategies for lasting impact.

## Small Business Networking & Resources

The Ed Portal’s annual Small Business Resource Fair connects local entrepreneurs with experts and service providers offering guidance in marketing, funding, business planning, legal services, and more. In December 2024, the fair brought together 18 partner organizations to support the small business community.

**45** participants in the Small Business Resource Fair

# Harvard Resources for Allston-Brighton

Offering scholarships, access to museums and Harvard Athletics, A.R.T. tickets, and diverse educational events, the Harvard Ed Portal provides the Allston-Brighton community with resources that foster an inclusive and supportive environment for continuous growth.

## Summer Access to Harvard's Blodgett Pool

In partnership with Harvard University Athletics, Ed Portal members receive free summer access to Harvard's Blodgett Pool.

## Ice Time for Allston-Brighton Youth Hockey

Harvard Athletics continues to provide free ice time to Allston Brighton Youth Hockey with a commitment to support the program in the years to come.

## Harvard Extension School Scholarships

The Ed Portal offers Allston-Brighton residents scholarships for undergraduate and graduate certificate programs at the Harvard Extension School, supporting their skill building and career development.

## Access to Harvard Museums

The Harvard Ed Portal offers free and discounted tickets to Harvard Museums.



## Access to American Repertory Theater Performances

The American Repertory Theater (A.R.T.) provides Ed Portal members with discounted admissions to performances at the Loeb Drama Center throughout the year.

“The small business workshops at the Harvard Ed Portal not only strengthened my business mindset and leadership approach, but also provided a valuable space to expand my network and connect with other local entrepreneurs. Through the Harvard Ed Portal, I gained essential background

knowledge to grow and scale my business, along with access to resources, tools, and opportunities I hadn’t had before—helping me move forward with clarity and confidence.”

**Kayla Miller**  
Participant in Business Negotiation Workshop and Harvard ManageMentor: Strategy Planning

# Creating a Vibrant Community

The Harvard Ed Portal creates a vibrant community through public lectures, art exhibitions, local concerts, and health and wellness initiatives. These programs stimulate intellectual engagement, promote cultural enrichment, and strengthen well-being.

## Public Lectures for the Allston-Brighton Community

Promoting cross-community learning, the Harvard Ed Portal hosts annual public lectures on timely topics. This year’s events included “Our Canine Best Friends,” presented by Dr. Erin Hecht, Assistant Professor at Harvard, exploring how dogs’ brains respond to love, affection, and attachment. The annual Rob Lue Memorial Lecture featured Diane Paulus, Artistic Director of the American Repertory Theater and Professor of Theater at Harvard, who shared her creative journey in shaping groundbreaking theatrical experiences. The Memorial Lecture honors the legacy of Professor Rob Lue, former Faculty Director of the Ed Portal, and his commitment to lifelong learning by showcasing Harvard faculty and engaging the public in their work.

**347** participants in public lecture events

## Give & Take: Swap Boxes for Allston-Brighton

An Interactive Public Art Installation at the Harvard Ed Portal

Give & Take is a community-designed 3D mural featuring rotating “swap boxes” that invite visitors to exchange small items—such as music, plants, or toys—encouraging everyday generosity and sustainability. Shaped by neighborhood input, the project includes free seasonal workshops and hands-on activities that foster connection, creativity, and shared ownership.



## Concerts in the Common

Concerts in the Common is a free, family-friendly series held at the Brighton Farmers Market on select Wednesdays. Supported by the Harvard Ed Portal and Brighton Main Streets, the concerts feature a diverse array of performances, including live music, dance, storytelling, and demonstrations. FY25 concerts included:

- |                            |                     |
|----------------------------|---------------------|
| • Mercedes Escobar         | • Winkler           |
| • Project Mishram          | • The New Grown-Ups |
| • Phil and the Flying Leap | • Talia Rose        |

**5K+** attendees at Concerts in the Common

## Yoga at the Harvard Ed Portal and the Allston Brighton Farmers Market

The Harvard Ed Portal offers free yoga sessions to Allston-Brighton residents year-round. These classes are open to individuals of all skill levels and ages.

**255** Allston-Brighton participants in yoga classes

## Crossings Gallery Exhibitions

Crossings Gallery supports Allston-Brighton artists by creating a space to feature their work. This past year, exhibitions included:

- *KILLJOY* by Ola Aksan
- *Curls & Coils* by Maya Alia
- *Fair Play* by Dyllan Nguyen
- *The Sun, My Scars a Poppyseed* by Eden Attar
- *Harvard Staff Art Show*
- *A.R.T. Pop-up Display*
- *the art of becoming: Narratives of Transformative Love* by Prema Bangera
- *body of work* by payal kumar

▼ *the art of becoming: Narratives of Transformative Love*, an exhibition by artist Prema Bangera, was on display at the Harvard Ed Portal's Crossings Gallery from April to May 2025.



The Harvard Ed Portal provides arts programming, including exhibitions, performances, and visual arts, as well as resources and tools designed to support artists and creatives in the Allston-Brighton community.

**~100** artists supported by the Harvard Ed Portal in FY25

# Housing Partnerships

Harvard is committed to partnerships that support affordable and diverse housing options in Allston-Brighton. The University’s efforts include significant financial contributions, land donations, and collaborations with local organizations. Through initiatives like the Harvard Local Housing Collaborative and the development of the Enterprise Research Campus, Harvard is proud to contribute to an increase in affordable housing for Allston-Brighton residents.

## Supporting Affordable Housing in Allston

### 65-79 Seattle Street

In June 2025, the Boston Zoning Board of Appeal approved Urbanica’s proposal for a 43-unit affordable homeownership development at 65–79 Seattle Street in Allston. Harvard selected Urbanica as the developer in July 2024, following the donation of the site for the project. The development will include 21 parking spaces, 15,000 square feet of open space, and an internal walkway that will connect the site to the future greenway.

**43** new affordable homeownership units



Rendering of 65-79 Seattle Street by Urbanica

### Hill Memorial Baptist Church

Harvard has committed \$4.8 million to support the redevelopment of Hill Memorial Baptist Church to create stable and affordable housing for elderly residents. The project will transform the site into 50 units of low-income senior housing, providing a space for elderly residents to stay active and engaged in the neighborhood.

**49** new units of affordable senior housing

### 49 Gardner Street

Harvard supports the efforts of the Addiction Treatment Center of New England to create a sober living home for individuals living in Allston-Brighton. Funding will help enable the purchase of the property, which will unlock 11 units of affordable housing in Allston.

### Enterprise Research Campus Affordable Housing Commitments

The approval of the first phase of Harvard’s Enterprise Research Campus (ERC) in Allston created new affordable housing opportunities:

**\$25M** in Harvard funding to enable affordable housing in Allston-Brighton over 12 years

**86** affordable units in Phase A (25% of all units)

**20%** of units in future phases of ERC development will be affordable



City of Boston officials and community members gathered at the Harvard Ed Portal in January 2025 to announce 12 funding awards for affordable housing projects across Boston, including Harvard-supported developments at 65-79 Seattle Street and Hill Memorial Baptist Church.

## Easing Demand on Local Housing

Harvard has an extensive residential portfolio that ensures a vibrant living-learning campus for students and affiliates while easing the demand for local housing.

**99%** of undergraduates live on campus for four years, relieving pressure on the local housing market

**8,700** units across campus devoted to housing Harvard affiliates

### 100 South Campus Drive

Harvard has advanced construction of the new home of the American Repertory Theatre at 175 North Harvard Street and new affiliate housing at 100 South Campus Drive in Allston, adding 276 new units to the University's housing portfolio.

“The housing crisis remains a significant source of stress for families in our city. That is why every action we take is focused on preserving and increasing housing production and affordability. Partnerships and collaborative efforts, such as the one between Harvard University and the City of Boston, demonstrate the power of working together to deliver lasting solutions that help meet the housing needs of our communities.”

**Tiffany Chu**  
Chief of Staff, Office of the Mayor  
City of Boston

### Harvard’s Affordable Housing Partnerships in Allston

	# of Units	# of Affordable Units	Homeownership	Affordable	Senior Housing	No Cost Land	
90 Antwerp Street	20	12*	✓	✓		✓	*Affordability levels consistent with or greater than City of Boston’s Inclusionary Development Policy
All Bright Homeownership Program	25	0	✓				
65 Seattle Street	43	43*	✓	✓		✓	
Enterprise Research Campus	345	86*		✓			**Affordability levels between 80-100% AMI
Addiction Treatment Center of New England	11	11**		✓			
Hill Memorial Baptist Church	49	49 <sup>1</sup>		✓	✓		<sup>1</sup> Working with a non-profit partner to create housing for individuals with-in a certain AMI.
Other Harvard-Enabled Developments	857	123		✓			
Total	1,350	324					

# Supporting Vibrant Public Spaces

Harvard is committed to enhancing public spaces and fostering a vibrant Allston-Brighton. Through a variety of programs, initiatives, and financial contributions, Harvard enriches the neighborhood’s physical and cultural environment. With the Enterprise Research Campus project underway, Harvard is proud to continue its commitment to Allston-Brighton, further enriching the neighborhood’s cultural life and dynamic landscape.

## Continued Support for Public Realm Improvements at Smith Field

Harvard remains committed to public realm improvements at Smith Field in Allston. As part of the 175 North Street cooperation agreement, the University will continue to support the park with accessibility improvements, better connections to South Campus Drive, landscaping enhancements, tree replacement, and improved wayfinding signage.



▲ Sixty new trees were planted at Smith Field.



▲ Mural at 92 Seattle Street, Allston

“As a part of Harvard's continued commitment to support public realm improvements at Smith Field, we're proud of the successful completion of two key community projects: the construction of an accessible connection to the park along South Campus Drive and the replacement of nearly 60 trees. In partnership with the Boston Parks and Recreation Department, these enhancements are the result of our shared dedication to enriching Allston-Brighton's dynamic landscape. By improving accessibility and investing in the neighborhood's green spaces, we're helping to foster a more vibrant, connected, and sustainable community.”

**Justin Stratman**  
Managing Director  
Harvard University Housing and Real Estate



# Harvard Allston Partnership Fund

The Harvard Allston Partnership Fund (HAPF) was established by Harvard University and the City of Boston, in collaboration with the Allston community, to support local nonprofit organizations and leverage their expertise in delivering a wide range of programs, from neighborhood improvement projects to educational and enrichment activities. In 2025, Harvard delivered \$200K to 25 different organizations and programs serving Allston-Brighton. Since the fund was established in 2008, Harvard has partnered with 62 local nonprofits and distributed \$2 million in grants.

### Impact by the Numbers

2024–2025	HAPF Since 2008
\$200K in grants	\$2M in grants
25 nonprofit awardees	62 nonprofit partners
	232 grants



### In Memoriam: William “Bill” Margolin

We honor the memory of William “Bill” Margolin, whose lifelong dedication to youth and community through the West End House Boys & Girls Club inspired generations. Harvard University has been privileged to support the organization through the Harvard Allston Partnership Fund and remains grateful for Bill’s enduring legacy of service and mentorship.



Members of the Harvard Allston Partnership Fund advisory board pose with Harvard, city, and state representatives during the annual HAPF Award Ceremony

### 2024–2025 HAPF Grant Recipients

ABCD Allston-Brighton Neighborhood Opportunity Center	Artisan’s Asylum	Family Nurturing Center	The Kithara Project
Allston Brighton Community Development Corporation	ArtsEmerson	Friends of Herter Park	Unbound Visual Arts
Allston Brighton Youth Hockey Association	Boston Minstrel Co.	MassNOW	West End House
Allston-Brighton Little League	Charitable Trust DBA Music with Heart	Rat City Arts Festival	West End House Boys Camp
	Boston String Academy	Road to the Right Track	West End House Girls Camp
	Brazilian’s Women’s Group	St. Columbkille Partnership School	Winship Parent Council
	Brighton Main Streets	The Fishing Academy	YMCA of Greater Boston
			Youth Enrichment Services

# Partners

Harvard is pleased to recognize our partners from the Boston community and across campus that contribute to the wide range of programming and make our relationship with the Allston-Brighton neighborhood so meaningful.

July 2024 – June 2025	Brighton Main Streets
External Partners	Brighton Marine
Community:	Charlesview, Inc.
ABCD Allston-Brighton	City Year, Greater Boston
Neighborhood Opportunity Center	Eastern Bank, Human Resources
Allston Brighton Adult Education Coalition	Eversource
Allston Brighton Chamber of Commerce	Family Nurturing Center
Allston Brighton Community Development Corporation	Friends of Herter Park
Allston Brighton Food Pantry	Friends of Honan Allston Library
Allston Brighton Health Collaborative	Friends of McKinney Park
Allston Brighton Youth Hockey Association	Gardner Pilot Academy Adult Education Program
Allston Brighton Youth Athletic Committee	Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce
Allston Civic Association	International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 103
Allston Village Main Streets	Jackson Mann Community Center
Allston-Brighton Little League	Kiwanis Club of Allston-Brighton
Amplify LatinX	Lawyers for Civil Rights
Artisan's Asylum	MassBioEd
ArtsEmerson	MassHire Boston
Beth Israel Lahey Health, Human Resources	MassNOW
Boston Fencing Club	McNamara House
Boston Local Development Corporation	National Grid, Human Resources
Boston Minstrel Co. Charitable Trust DBA Music with Heart	North Atlantic States Carpenter Training Fund
Boston String Academy	Open Door Soup Kitchen
	Philanthropy Massachusetts

Plumbers and Gasfitters Local 12	• Edison K–8 School
Rat City Arts Festival	• Gardner Pilot Academy
Road to the Right Track	• Jackson Mann K–8 School
SCORE Boston	• Mary Lyon School
Sheet Metal Workers, Local 17	• Boston Public Schools Human Resources
Small Business Administration	Mayor’s Office of Arts and Culture
St. Columbkille Partnership School	• Boston Cultural Council
The Fishing Academy	Mayor’s Office of Neighborhood Services
The Greater Boston Joint Apprentice Training Center	Mayor’s Office of Workforce Development
The Kithara Project	Mayor’s Office of Economic Inclusion
Unbound Visual Arts	City of Boston Human Resources
West End House	City of Boston Jobs Bank
West End House Boys Camp	City of Cambridge:
West End House Girls Camp	City of Cambridge, Human Resources
Winship Parent Council	Cambridge Public Schools Human Resources
Wutabon	City of Somerville
YMCA – Oak Square	City of Somerville, Human Resources
YMCA at Gardner Pilot Academy	Harvard Partners
YMCA of Greater Boston	American Repertory Theater
Youth Enrichment Services	Harvard ArtLab
City of Boston:	Harvard Athletics
Boston Housing Authority	Harvard Recreation
Boston Parks and Recreation Department	Harvard Business School
Boston Planning and Development Agency	Harvard College Center for Public Service and Engaged Scholarship
Boston Police Department	Harvard University Disability Resources
Boston Public Health	Harvard Extension School
Commission Human Resources	
Boston Public Library System	
Honan-Allston Library	
• Human Resources	
Boston Public Schools	
• Boston Green Academy	
• Brighton High School	

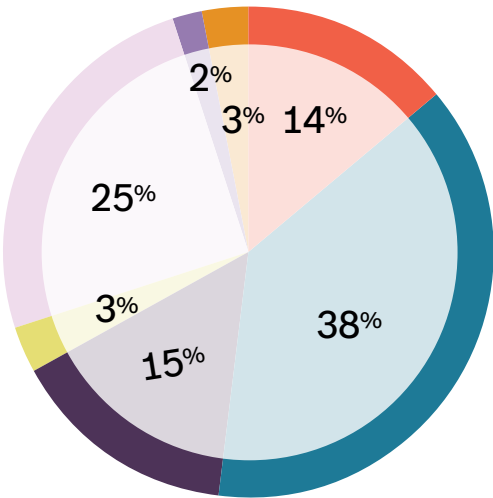
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Harvard Human Resources	Harvard University Information Technology
• Center for Workplace Development	Harvard University Police Department
• Talent Acquisition	HarvardX
Harvard John A. Paulson School of Engineering and Applied Sciences	Phillips Brooks House Association
Harvard University Planning and Development	Harvard Common Spaces
Harvard Real Estate Services	Harvard Dining Services
Harvard Campus Services	• Annenberg Hall
• Harvard Transportation	Crimson Key Society
• Harvard Facilities	Harvard Natural Sciences
Maintenance Operations	Lecture Demonstrations
Harvard Strategic Procurement	Harvard University Center for African Studies
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• Department of Organismic and Evolutionary Biology	Lea Beaulieu
• Harvard Art Museums	Troy Brogan
• Harvard Ceramics Program	John Cusack
• Harvard Museums of Science & Culture	Dan Daly
- Harvard Museum of Natural History	Anthony D’Isidoro
- Harvard Peabody Museum of Archaeology & Ethnology	Mike Hanlon
• Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics	Ed Kotomori
• The Leah Somerville Lab – Neuroscience	Cindy Marchando
• The Mason Lab – Chemistry and Chemical Biology	Tim McHale
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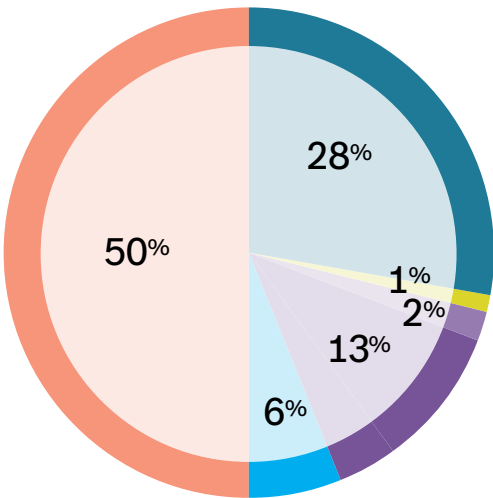
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# Cooperation Agreement Budget Summary

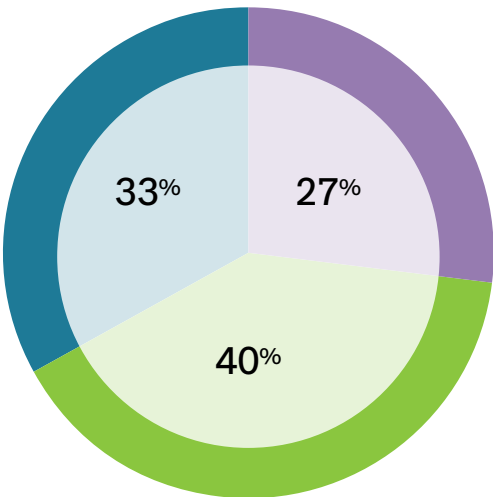
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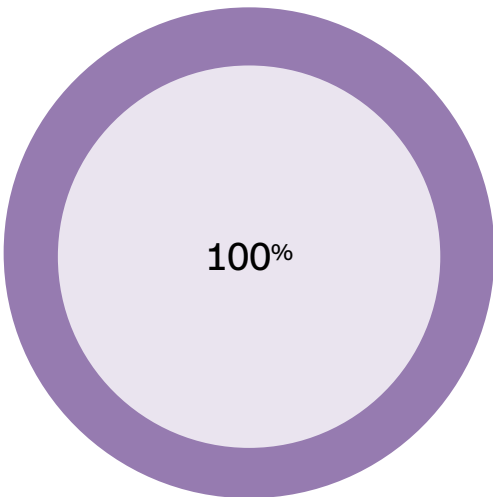
IMP Cooperation Agreement (7/10/14)



175 North Harvard Street/ A.R.T. Cooperation Agreement



92 Seattle Street Cooperation Agreement (4/12/23)



- Housing Linkage

Public Realm & Park Maintenance

Workforce Development

Brookline Machine
- Partnership Fund

Library Park Maintenance

Housing Fund / DIP / Linkage

Smith Field Improvements
- Jobs Linkage

Education Program

Ed Portal (formerly Education, Transformative Project & Workforce Development)\*

\*Ed Portal reflects spending in the categories of Education, Transformative Project, and Workforce Development lines as reported in previous years. These categories reflect on the operations of the Harvard Ed Portal.

2008 SCIENCE COMPLEX COOPERATION AGREEMENT FUND

CATEGORIES	2008 COOPERATION AGREEMENT FUND	SPENT THROUGH JUNE 30, 2025	REMAINING BALANCE
Housing Linkage	3,848,430	3,334,749	513,681
Public Realm	9,700,000		624,801
Portsmouth Park		60,000	
Western Ave Sidewalk and Trees		1,238,498	
Barry's Corner Imp & Grove		1,448,016	
Farmer's Market		225,155	
Library Park		3,203,530	
Rena Path and Park		2,200,000	
Longfellow Park		700,000	
Workforce Development	3,670,000	3,718,908	(48,908)
Jobs Linkage	767,730	767,730	-
Education Program	4,786,000	5,960,998	(1,174,998)
Partnership Fund	500,000	589,231	(89,231)
Library Park Maintenance	2,200,000	640,689	1,559,311
TOTAL	\$25,472,160	\$24,087,505	\$1,384,656

175 NORTH HARVARD STREET/A.R.T. COOPERATION AGREEMENT

CATEGORIES	TOTAL BUDGET	SPENT THROUGH JUNE 30, 2025	REMAINING BALANCE
Partnership Fund Contribution	200,000	200,000	0
Smith Field Improvements	300,000	300,000	0
Public Realm Improvements	250,000	250,000	0
Blue Bike Station	173,367	0	173,367
TOTAL	\$923,367	\$750,000	\$173,367

92 SEATTLE STREET COOPERATION AGREEMENT FUND (COMPLETE)

CATEGORIES	92 SEATTLE COOPERATION AGREEMENT FUND	SPENT THROUGH JUNE 30, 2025	REMAINING BALANCE
Cultural Fund Contribution	100,000	100,000	-
TOTAL	\$100,000	\$100,000	-

2014 IMP COOPERATION AGREEMENT FUND

CATEGORIES	2014 IMP COOPERATION AGREEMENT FUND	SPENT THROUGH JUNE 30, 2025	REMAINING BALANCE
Public Realm	9,750,000		380,149
Flexible Fund		5,350,000	
SFR			
Study		169,851	
Two Crossings		3,350,000	
Everett Street Contribution		500,000	
Ray Mellone Park Maintenance			
Jobs Linkage	2,000,000	366,375	1,633,625
Partnership Fund (FY19-FY23)	500,000	509,880	(9,880)
Housing Fund	3,000,000	3,000,000	-
DIP/Linkage	11,000,000	1,434,413	9,565,587
Donation of Brookline Machine Site	2,000,000	2,000,000	-
Ed Portal (formerly Education, Transformative Project & Workforce Development)*	14,750,000	16,702,857	(1,952,875)
Education	4,500,000		
Transformative Project	8,250,000		
Workforce Development	2,000,000		
TOTAL	\$43,000,000	\$33,383,394	\$9,616,606

ENTERPRISE RESEARCH CAMPUS, PHASE A

CATEGORIES	TOTAL BUDGET	SPENT THROUGH JUNE 30, 2025	REMAINING BALANCE
Affordable Housing Benefits	25,000,000	5,972,651	19,027,349
Rezoning	1,000,000	302,499	697,501
Community Needs Assessment	1,000,000	644,390	355,610
Workforce & Economic Development	1,037,000	79,598	957,402
TOTAL	\$28,037,000	\$6,999,138	\$21,037,862

\*Ed Portal combines spending in the categories of Education, Transformative Project, and Workforce Development lines as reported in previous years. These categories reflect on the operations of the Harvard Ed Portal.

Harvard Allston Partnership Fund: \$200,000 awarded in FY25 will be reported next year under the new agreement.

# Status of Cooperation Agreements

Through 6/30/2025

SCIENCE COMPLEX COOPERATION AGREEMENT (SIGNED 4/2/08)*			
*Cooperation Agreement amended and restated 6/14/17 as part of Science and Engineering Complex project approval. Final year of reporting on Agreement.			
Description	Budget	Obligation and Timing	Status
ONGOING COMMITMENTS			
Barry's Corner Improvements	\$1,800,000	Provide landscaping and streetscape improvements, including Ed Portal landscape and Citgo landscape.	Ongoing. Every public and Harvard-owned parcel in Barry's Corner has undergone major improvements since this agreement was written.
Design and reconstruct Western Avenue (east of Barry's Corner)		Design by 2011. Construction by April 2018.	Complete.
Contractor Pre-Apprenticeship Program	\$30,000/year (total of 120K)	Provide 5 slots/year.	Complete.
Day Care Facilities	Valued at \$450,000 over 10 years	15% of seats available to Allston-Brighton residents with need-based subsidy equal to Harvard affiliates.	Ongoing. Western Ave Child Care Center opened in June 2023. 15 Allston-Brighton residents enrolled in FY25. Year 3 of 10 complete.
TRANSPORTATION ACCESS PLAN AGREEMENT			
Develop Transportation Access Plan Agreement		Science and Engineering Complex (SEC) project requires a TAPA prior to opening.	Complete.
TRANSPORTATION-RELATED COMMITMENTS			
Pedestrian and Bicycle Access Improvements		Implement measures to facilitate walking and bicycling access.	Complete.
Transit Improvements: Public Transit		Work with MBTA to develop recommendations for improvements to service in the neighborhood.	Complete.
Transit Improvements: Shuttle Service		Expand connections between Harvard campuses.	Complete.
Transit Improvements: Expanded Shuttle Service		Harvard to study public access to Harvard shuttle services.	Complete.
Transportation Demand Management Program		Implement TDM program for project users.	Complete.
Roadway Infrastructure Improvements		Construct new roadways as part of project.	Complete.
LINKAGE			
Housing	\$3,334,779	Annual payments began in 2011.	Complete.
Jobs	\$667,749	Payments made in 2009 & 2010.	Complete.
PILOT			
Negotiate PILOT agreement		Meet annually with City of Boston to discuss PILOT.	Complete.
PUBLIC REALM IMPROVEMENTS			
Portsmouth Park	\$60,000	Fund improvements to Portsmouth Park.	Complete. Check issued to Parks Department in 2006.
Western Avenue Sidewalk and Tree Plantings	\$1,200,000	Improve Western Avenue through new sidewalks and tree plantings.	Complete.
Longfellow Path	\$700,000	Construct Longfellow Path. Due at Occupancy Permit for SEC.	Complete.
Rena Path	\$700,000	Construct Rena Path. Due at Occupancy Permit for SEC.	Complete.
Public Events	\$240,000  (\$24,000/year)	Program public events in Barry's Corner area.	Complete.
Library Park and Maintenance for 10 years	Total of \$5,700,000	Design and build one-acre park.Maintain park for 10 years.	Complete.
Rena Park Design and Interim Improvements	\$1,500,000	Due at Occupancy Permit for SEC.	Complete.

SCIENCE COMPLEX COOPERATION AGREEMENT (SIGNED 4/2/08)*			
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Description	Budget	Obligation and Timing	Status
Stadium Way and Rena Street Extension		Due at Occupancy Permit for SEC.	The sections of Stadium Way and Rena Street Extension (now called Science Drive) are complete.
Design and reconstruct North Harvard Street (north of Barry's Corner)		Design by 2011. Construction by April 2018.	Complete.
Significant Improvement of Properties		Replacement and removal of fences and planting trees.	Complete.
Additional interim public realm improvements in Barry's Corner		Provide additional improvements by December 31, 2013.	Complete.
SURVEY/NEEDS ASSESSMENT			
Conduct Survey/Needs Assessment	\$500,000	Conduct Survey/Needs Assessment.	Complete.
EDUCATION			
Create and fund Ed Portal		Design, build, and fund Ed Portal.	Complete.
Computer Lab at Ed Portal	\$100,000	Build computer lab at Ed Portal.	Complete.
Ed Portal Coordinator		Hire staff person.	Complete.
Form Ed Portal Advisory Board		Form Ed Portal Advisory Board.	Complete.
Programming	\$1,100,000	Provide programming for the Ed Portal including tutoring, mentoring, Secondary School Scholarships, and Summer Athletic Camps Scholarships.	Complete.
Gardner School	\$120,000	Partner with the Gardner School for ten years of activities.	Complete.
Adult Education	\$215,000	Continue and expand adult education programs including Allston-Brighton community scholars, new lecture series, and computer teaching classroom.	Complete.
Outreach	\$250,000 over 10 years	Provide updates through website, letters, Allston Update, Ed Portal flyers, and emails.	Complete.
PARTNERSHIP FUND			
Partnership Fund	\$500,000 (\$100,000/year)	Checks issued to BRA annually, 2008-2013.	Complete.
EMPLOYMENT			
Construction Employment		Prepare Boston Residents Construction Employment Plan.	Complete.
Permanent Employment		Prepare MOU/First Source Agreement.	Complete.
Workforce Program Development	\$200,000	Develop workforce development programs.	Complete.
Rent for Resource Center	\$600,000	Provide in-kind rent for 2009 through 2019.	Complete.
Operation of Resource Center	\$1,000,000	Fund Operation of Resource Center for 10 years.	Complete.
Human Resource staff person		Hire staff person.	Complete.
Advertising of workforce programs	\$50,000	Advertise workforce programs.	Complete.
Workforce Development Classes (Computer Classes)	\$1,000,000 (\$100,000/year)	Offer workforce development classes for 10 years.	Complete.
LONG TERM PARTNERSHIP			
Evaluate options for a transformative project		Transformative project evaluation to happen prior to filing a new IMP.	Complete. Transformative project evaluation was included in 2013 IMP.
Collaborate on planning West of Barry's Corner.		Participate in City's Community Wide Planning process.	Complete. In addition, Harvard is currently participating in the City's ongoing Western Avenue Corridor Study and Rezoning process.
OTHER			
Retail Use Restriction		Use best efforts to lease retail space to local businesses which are retail and restaurant uses.	Complete.
Construction Management Plan		Prior to issuance of a full building permit.	Complete.
Wireless Communications		Review if roof of Science is suitable location for wireless communications equipment.	The Project team has determined that the rooftop of the SEC is not a suitable location for wireless communications equipment.

IMP COOPERATION AGREEMENT (SIGNED 7/10/14)			
Description	Budget	Obligation and Timing	Status
PUBLIC REALM			
Everett Street Improvements	\$500,000	Provide funding for City-led project for improvements to Everett Street.	Complete.
Soldiers Field Road Crossings	\$150,000 for study and \$3,350,000 for implementation	Study phase to be conducted in 2014 to be followed by an implementation phase.	Complete and awaiting construction. Payment in full provided to City of Boston on 2/6/18. Administration of the project and crossing design by DCR remains ongoing.
Maintenance of Ray Mellone Park	\$400,000	Extend maintenance of Ray Mellone Park from 2021 through 2026.	Ongoing.
Flexible Fund	\$5,350,000 over 10 years	Develop flexible fund for public realm improvements. Funds will be spent over ten years but there is a two-year planning period.	Complete.
Interim improvements to Grove	Funded through Science Cooperation Agreement	Make immediate interim improvements to the Grove.	Complete.
Commence Rena Park planning	\$1,500,000 budget from Science Cooperation Agreement	Continue to plan and identify implementable improvements that will begin construction in 2014.	Complete.
Greenway		Conduct planning process in 2014 for exploring strategies for interim implementation of the Greenway.	Complete.
EDUCATION			
Ed Portal	\$4,000,000 total	Continue to operate and fund the Ed Portal through 2024.	Ongoing. For information about the Harvard Ed Portal and programs being offered go to: <a href="http://www.edportal.harvard.edu">www.edportal.harvard.edu</a>
Programming		Extend academic and enrichment programming (including Mentoring and Community Scholarships) in the Ed Portal through 2024.	Ongoing.
Gardner Pilot Academy		Extend partnership program with Gardner Pilot Academy through 2024.	Complete.
Adult Education		Extend Adult Education programs through 2024.	Complete.
Public Information and Outreach		Extend public information and outreach program through 2024.	Complete.
Contribution to BPS	\$500,000	Contribution to BPS in support of a capital project at the GPA.	Complete.
WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT			
Workforce Development	\$2,000,000	Extend Workforce Development program from Science Cooperation Agreement through 2024.	Complete. For a listing of workforce programs go to <a href="http://www.edportal.harvard.edu">www.edportal.harvard.edu</a>
Jobs Linkage	\$2,000,000		Ongoing. Payments are part of each IMP project that is required to pay linkage.
PARTNERSHIP FUND			
Harvard Allston Partnership Fund	\$500,000	Five-year extension of Partnership Fund for 2019-2023.	Complete.
HOUSING FUND			
Harvard Allston Housing Fund		Contribute \$3,000,000 to assist third-party organization in housing stabilization.	Complete.
HOUSING LINKAGE			
Housing Linkage			Ongoing. Payments are part of each IMP project that is required to pay linkage.
DONATION OF BROOKLINE MACHINE			
Donation of Brookline Machine site			Complete.
TRANSFORMATIVE PROJECT			

IMP COOPERATION AGREEMENT (SIGNED 7/10/14)			
Description	Budget	Obligation and Timing	Status
Physical Space & Operations	\$8,250,000	Relocate Ed Portal to 224 Western and transform space into Transformative Project by the end of 2015.	Complete.
Programming		Programs including expanded marquee Ed Portal programming, AllstonX, Health & Wellness, Arts, Public School Partnerships, Athletics, North Allston/North Brighton Workforce and Business Development Program.	Ongoing. See Appendix D for complete program list.
Health & Wellness		Access to 100 Harvard athletic memberships for North Allston/North Brighton residents at staff rates. Use of athletic facilities for Gardner Pilot Academy and other community users.	Complete.
Workforce and Economic Development		Enhance Workforce Collaborative Programs.	Ongoing. See Appendix D for complete program list.
DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENTS			
PILOT		Extend existing PILOT commitment to new IMP projects.	Complete and Ongoing. Harvard engages in regular discussions with the City of Boston as it aims to strike a balance between direct programming and reliable financial contributions that support basic city services and enhance the quality of life for Boston residents.
Transportation Access Plan Agreement		Prepare TAPA for each IMP project.	Institutional TAPA signed.
Construction Management Plan		Prepare CMP for each IMP project.	Institutional CMP Guidelines prepared. CMPs submitted for individual IMP projects.
Construction Employment		Prepare Boston Residents Construction Employment Plan for each IMP project.	Part of each project. Agreements submitted for individual IMP projects.
Permanent Employment		Prepare Permanent Jobs Agreements for each IMP project.	Part of each project. Agreements submitted for individual IMP projects.
TRANSPORTATION			
Design of Stadium Way		Develop 25% design of Stadium Way by November 2015.	Complete.
Evaluate construction support area		Evaluate construction support area.	Ongoing.
Special events study		Prepare study by April 30, 2014.	Complete.
Study implementation of parking reserve		Prepare parking analysis memo.	Complete.
Analysis of alternatives for surface parking		Prepare parking analysis memo.	Complete.
Extend TDM measures to tenants		Extend TDM measures to commercial tenants in Allston.	Complete.
Prepare transportation and parking analysis program, scope to be determined with BTd		Scope of analysis is essentially the items listed above.	Complete.
Assist BTd in residential parking		Assist BTd during 2014.	Complete.
ANNUAL REPORT			
Submit Annual Report		Annual report submitted to BPDA and Task Force.	Due by August 31 of each year.

92 SEATTLE COOPERATION AGREEMENT (SIGNED 4/12/23)			
Description	Budget	Obligation and Timing	Status
Additional Funding to the Harvard Allston Partnership Fund	\$100,000	Provide \$100k in additional funding to the Harvard Allston Partnership Fund for the FY23 Grant Cycle	Complete.
Golf Lessons		Organize and promote four introductory and/or instructional sessions for Allston-Brighton residents and Harvard Ed Portal members.	Four sessions will be offered in the one year period after the 92 Seattle Street renovation is complete and the buiding is operational.
92 Seattle Street Mural		Engage a local artist to design and install a mural on the low-slung portion of the building.	Ongoing. Anna Duggan commissioned as mural artist, community event and mural installation to took place on August 3, 2024.

HARVARD ERC MEMOMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT (SIGNED 11/27/2023)			
Description	Budget	Obligation and Timing	Status
AFFORDABLE HOUSING			
Allston-Brighton Affordable Housing Fund	\$25,000,000	Distributed over 12 years beginning FY24.	Ongoing. \$1,172,651 provided to Addiction Treatment Center of New England for purchase of 49 Gardner Ave. \$4,800,000 provided to ABC-DC for purchase of Hill Memorial Baptist Church.  No additional funding opportunities until FY27 or later.
65 Seattle Street		Donate one-acre parcel to an affordable housing developer for the creation of new home ownership units with the greatest affordability possible.	Ongoing. Urbanica selected as preferred developer for site in July 2024 and project approved in FY25.
ERC Affordable Housing Commitment		20% of all housing units constructed in connection with future projects on the ERC and BPY Land to be income restricted	Ongoing.
FUTURE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT & PLANNING			
Community Needs Assessment	Up to \$1,000,000	Contribute up to \$1,000,000 to fund the costs of the Community Needs Assessment.	Community Needs Assessment Complete.
ERC Planning & Rezoning Study	Up to \$1,000,000	Contribute up to \$1,000,000 to be used for consultants and related costs associated to be incurred by the BPDA in association with an overall planning study and rezoning process for the ERC Land (not including the PDA Area), BPY planning, and Allston-Brighton Neighborhood Plan.	Ongoing. Planning processes underway.
Beacon Park Yard Planning			
Allston-Brighton Neighborhood Plan			
SOSPA Greenway Planning & Community Engagement		Initiate a community engagement process around the design and programming of the approximately 1-acre segment of the Greenway known as “Play.”	Ongoing. Harvard engaged Agency Landscape & Planning to assist with community engagement events in Summer 2023.
65 Seattle Community Engagement Process		Initiate a community engagement process around the affordable homeownership housing opportunity at 65 Seattle Street.	Complete.
GREENWAY BENEFITS			
99 year development restriction across a 1.3 acre area		Record a 99-year development restriction, subject to certain maintenance and operating-related exclusions, on the portion of the Greenway constructed within Phase A.	Following certificate of completion for Phase A.
“Play section” of the Greenway		Construct the 1-acre segment of the Greenway known as “Play” prior to or together with the construction of the proposed affordable housing project at 65 Seattle Street.	Ongoing.
Multi-Use Path		Prior to or together with the construction of Phase A of the TSP Project, construct a multi-use path along the Greenway from Rena Park to Milestone Street (formerly called East Drive). The multi-use path will be available for public use not later than [13] months after the first certificate of occupancy is issued for Phase A of the TSP Project.	Ongoing.

Publically Accessible Open Space		20% of the total land area of the ERC Land to be privately owned, publicly accessible open space.	Ongoing.
COMPLETE STREETS			
Complete and maintain Trotting Ave as part of Phase A construction		Trotting Avenue, Milestone Street, and Axle Way will be constructed by the Harvard Allston Land Company to provide access to the PDA Area, and will be maintained by Harvard.	Ongoing.
Highway easement for Trotting Avenue and Milestone Street		Upon completion of their connection to an at-grade Cambridge Street, grant a Highway Easement to the City of Boston for Trotting Avenue and Milestone Street, thereby causing such streets to become public streets.	
WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT			
M/WBE		Reserve 25% of all retail areas proposed in future projects on the ERC Land for local, small and/or Minority/Women Owned Business Enterprise retailers.	
Workforce Education	\$1,050,000	Provide new funding to create new, and support existing, workforce education programs, particularly focused on fields such as computer science and technology, lab skills, bio-technology roles etc.	2 new hires in FY25 and expanded programming.
COMMUNITY RELATIONS			
AB Youth Hockey		Harvard will will provide ice time to Allston Brighton Youth Hockey for the '22-'23 season.  Harvard will provide an additional two years (the upcoming '23-'24 and '24-'25 seasons) of ice hockey access to Allston Brighton Youth Hockey, consisting of 2 hours of ice time in most weeks, totaling approximately 50-60 hours per season, within certain desired hours, funded by Harvard.  Harvard will propose that a 10-year ice time accommodation be included within the 2024 10-year IMP community benefit agreement.	Complete.  Harvard Athletics provided 52 hours of ice time to AB Youth Hockey in the '24-'25 season.
Allston-Brighton Parade		Participate in the 2022 Allston-Brighton Parade.	Complete.

175 NORTH HARVARD STREET COOPERATION AGREEMENT (SIGNED 4/4/24)			
Description	Budget	Obligation and Timing	Status
TRANSPORTATION-RELATED COMMITMENTS			
Develop Transportation Access Plan		175 N. Harvard Street project requires a TAPA prior to the issuance of the first full building permit for the Project.	Complete.
Harvard Shuttle Scheduling		Operation of a modified shuttle schedule, supporting night, weekend and summer performances.	
Bluebikes Station	\$173,376	One time contribution within 30 days of the certificate of occupancy to fund installation of a new Bluebikes station.	
EMPLOYMENT			
Construction Employment		Meet requirements of the Boston Residents Job Policy	Ongoing.
PROGRAMMING			
Community Programming		Organize and promote one neighborhood centered event per year for 10 years.	Year 1 of 10 complete.
		Offer one annual community program linked to A.R.T. productions for Allston-Brighton residents for 10 years.	Year 2 of 10 complete. 3 engagement workshops were offered at the Harvard Ed Portal.
		Expand the A.R.T.’s Learning Lab program to Brighton High School in advance of (or concurrent with) the A.R.T’s inaugural Season	Ongoing.

A.R.T. Access Card & Discount Programming		Offer Allston-Brighton residents an “A.R.T Access Card” during the A.R.T.’s inaugural season.	
		Provide up to 150 \$5 tickets to Allston-Brighton residents with valid Harvard Ed Portal membership for 10 years.	Ongoing. Year 1 of 10 complete.
Public Art Programming		Provide public art programming on the north most facing exterior façade with the potential to extend around the northeast and northwest corners of the façade surface.	Community engagement related to public art begins in FY26.
PUBLIC REALM			
Smith Field Improvements	\$300,000	Contribute \$300,000 to the BPRD for future capital improvements at Smith Field within 30 days after the issuance of a full building permit for the project.	Complete.
	Not to exceed \$250,000	Design and construct an accessible connection to Smith Field at South Campus Drive, as well as landscaping enhancements at the park’s edge.	Complete.
		Fund the replacement of all dead trees throughout Smith Field identified in a comprehensive tree survey dated 10/29/23, including a two-year warranty.	Complete, watering ongoing during 2 year warranty period.
		Support the design and installation of wayfinding signage at Smith Field.	Discussion with Boston Parks Department ongoing.
		Fund a feasibility study for the expansion of the “Wicked Free Wi-fi” program at Smith Field.	
Landscape Improvements & Open Space		<p>Provide landscape improvements and publicly accessible open space, including ~38 new street trees along Ivy Lane, South Campus Drive, and North Harvard Street, along with 20 new trees within the residential courtyard and Performance Center courtyard.</p> <p>Maintain all street trees and plantings along the portions of North Harvard Street, Ivy Lane and South Campus Drive adjacent to site.</p>	Construction ongoing.
Ongoing Site Maitenance		Keep the site in good and safe condition and repair.	Ongoing.
OTHER			
Construction Management Plan		Prior to issuance of a full building permit.	Complete.
Performance Center Public Access		Performance Center lobby to be open to public during standard hours of operation. Will offer free Wi-fi, food and beverage services, public restrooms and gathering spaces. The A.R.T. will designate certain indoor and outdoor spaces for rent by the public at market rates.	
Partnership Fund	\$200,000	Provide \$200k in funding to the Harvard Allston Partnership Fund for the FY24 Grant Cycle.	Complete.

# Housing Stabilization Fund Update

Prepared By Allston Brighton Community Development Corporation

ALLSTON ESPLANADE LLC		
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES		
JULY 2024 - JUNE 2025		
INCOME		
Interest	10,141	
TOTAL INCOME	10,141	
EXPENSE		
Professional services	7,400	
Fees	520	
TOTAL EXPENSE	7,920	
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	2,221	

Harvard University supports the Housing Stabilization Fund. Since the start of the program, 20 properties have been purchased and 25 units have been sold.

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION	
JUNE 30, 2025	
ASSETS	
CURRENT ASSETS:	
Cash-program operating account	96,101
Cash-emergency account	99,770
Cash and cash equivalents-reserve account	1,014,533
Deposits	5,000
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	1,215,404
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LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	
CURRENT LIABILITIES:	
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	2,020
Due to related parties (ABCDC)	7,400
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	9,420
NET ASSETS:	
Net assets without donor restrictions	17,808
Net assets with donor restrictions	1,185,955
Change in net assets year-to-date	2,221
TOTAL NET ASSETS	1,205,984
TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS	
1,215,404	

# Community Programming Catalog

July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025

**Ongoing and Offered Throughout the Year**

- Athletic memberships for Ed Portal members
- Free summer pool access at Blodgett Pool
- Job search and career planning coaching
- Artist Pipeline Program (1 ½ year program)
- Mind Matters: Families Make a Difference (10-week sessions, Spanish & English cohorts)
- Monday Job Seekers Connections:
  - Enhance Your Job Search with AI
  - "Tell Me About Yourself"
  - Networking – The Ultimate Superpower!
  - Career Fair Readiness
  - Sleep Strategies for a Productive Job Search
  - Who You Are Matters! Conversation Experience
  - Strength-Based Strategies for Job Seekers
  - Job Opportunities at Beth Israel Lahey Health
  - Gaining and Maintaining Confidence
  - Tips and Tricks to Stay Motivated During the Holidays
  - The Importance of a Positive Mindset
  - Building Your Professional Brand
  - Building Relationship Capital
  - Developing Personal Practices for Burnout

- Monday Job Seekers Connection with Harvard Talent Acquisition
- Career Mentorship
- Strategies for 2025 Job Search Success
- Volunteer Opportunities at Boston Cares
- ATS Unmasked: The Truth About Getting Hired
- Clarifying Your Ideal Job and Workplace
- Career Fair Readiness
- Responding to the Question "What Do You Do?"
- Interviewing with Clarity and Confidence
- AI Tools to Take Control of Your Job Search
- 5 Essentials to a Successful Career Transition
- Aligning Your Values in a Tough Job Market
- Staying Motivated this Summer
- Yoga
  - Yoga at the Brighton Farmers Market
  - Fall Yoga
  - Spring Yoga
- After School Programing at Faneuil Gardens Community Center
- Mentoring Program
- GPA Afterschool Clubs
  - 1st Grade Club
  - 2nd Grade Club
  - 4th Grade Club
- Youth Programing: Enrichment Clubs
  - Design Engineering (1st – 2nd Grade)

- Storytelling (1st – 2nd Grade)
- Microgreens (3rd – 5th Grade)
- Wild Wonders (3rd – 5th Grade)
- Science of Cooking (6th – 8th Grade)
- Thrill Engineering (6th – 8th Grade)
- Family Nurturing Center Toddler Playgroups
- Programs Embedded in Boston Public Schools
  - Lunch and Learns for Brighton High School and the Boston Green Academy
- Give & Take: Swap Boxes for Allston-Brighton
- Crossings Gallery Exhibitions
  - KILLJOY by Ola Aksan
  - Curls & Coils by Maya Alia
  - Fair Play by Dyllan Nguyen
  - The Sun, My Scars a Poppyseed by Eden Attar
  - Harvard Staff Art Show
  - A.R.T. Pop-up Display
  - the art of becoming: Narratives of Transformative Love by Prema Bangera
  - body of work by Payal Kumar

**July 2024**

- Concerts in the Common: Mercedes Escobar
- A.R.T. Community Programing: Gatsby Community Workshop

- Scholarships to Harvard Museum of Natural History Summer Programs
- Scholarships to Harvard Basketball Summer Programs
- Summer Youth Employment Program (paid high school internships on campus)
- Weekly Workforce Skill Development Programing For Summer Youth Employment Participants

**August 2024**

- Concerts in the Common: Project Mishram
- Summer Youth Employment Program Farewell Lunch
- Gardner Pilot Academy Teachers Back-to-School Retreat

**September 2024**

- Concerts in the Common: Phil and the Flying Leap
- Career Café
- Building Business and Mental Resilience: Identity, Goals, and Starting Point
- Business Negotiation Workshop with Professor Areen Shahbari
- Curls and Coils Reception + Pop-Up Shop
- Take Your Flowers: Botanical Watercolor Painting Workshop
- A.R.T. Community Programing: Screening of Romeo & Juliet Movie and Dialogue

**October 2024**

- Concerts in the Common: Winkler
- Career Café
- Sales and Marketing Adventure Workshop with Professor Areen Shahbari
- Building Business and Mental Resilience: Social Media, Content Creation, and More
- Superbloom: A Crystal-Inspired Watercolor Painting Workshop
- Small Business Certification and Procurement Panel
- Career Fair
- Project Teach for 7th graders from Allston-Brighton BPS schools
- Digital Basics and Intro to Ed Portal at the GPA ESOL classes
- Allston-Brighton Chamber of Commerce Meeting

**November 2024**

- Career Café
- Harvard ManageMentor: Decision Making for Small Businesses
- Play By Play: Behind-the-Scenes with Dyllan Nguyen
- Building Business and Mental Resilience: Team Building and Delegation
- Roberto Lugo Visiting Artist Lecture

**December 2024**

- DIY Sneakers with Fiona Scarborough
- Small Business Resource Fair

- Building Business and Mental Resilience: Budgeting, Tax, and Funding
- Boston String Academy – GPA Winter Recital
- Fall Mentoring Showcase for Family and Friends

**January 2025**

- Career Cafe
- Building Business and Mental Resilience: Graduation and Presentation
- Artist Reception – The Sun, My Scars a Poppyseed
- Harvard ManageMentor: Business Strategy Planning and Execution
- City of Boston Affordable Housing Funding Awards Ceremony
- Mind Matters Family Game Night

**February 2025**

- Career Café
- Divination and Drawing Sessions with Eden Attar (2 sessions)
- Computer Basics workshops
- Parent/Child Literacy Night
- Allston-Brighton Chamber of Commerce Networking Event
- LatinX Women Leaders Gathering

**March 2025**

- Career Café
- Artist Reception – Harvard Staff Art Show: Allston
- Imposter to Empowered: Cultivating Agency and Confidence

- Mastering AI for Career Success: Using AI to Get the Job
- You've Got Gmail! Digital Literacy and Learning
- A.R.T. Community Programing – Odyssey
- Community Lecture: Our Canine Best Friends with Dr. Erin Hecht
- Pi Day at SEAS with all 8th graders from Allston-Brighton Boston Public Schools
- Imposter Phenomenon Workshop

**April 2025**

- Career Café
- Learning to Google Drive
- Rob Lue Memorial Lecture: Expanding Boundaries: A Journey of Creativity with Diane Paulus
- Mastering AI for Career Success: Using AI to Keep the Job
- Reception – the art of becoming: Narratives of Transformative Love
- Spring Mentoring Showcase for Family and Friends
- Parent/Child Literacy Night
- Environmental Protectors

**May 2025**

- Career Fair
- Narratives of Transformative Love: Reclaiming Our Identity Through the Arts with Prema Bangera
- Innovate with Intent: Legacy in Focus
- The Sound Ritual: A New Dawn

- Mastering AI for Career Success: Using AI to Advance in the Job
- Northstar Online Digital Learning Assessments
- Harvard Allston Partnership Fund Awards and Reception
- Joseph Smith Scholarship Awards

**June 2025**

- Career Cafe
- Opening Event: "body of work" exhibition
- The Ideation Lab: “From Root Causes to Revolutionary Ideas”
- Legacy and Leadership: Empowering Change Through Purpose
- Harvard Careers in Construction (6 month program)
- GPA Graduation
- Allston-Brighton Scholars and Harvard Careers in Construction Graduation
- Allston-Brighton Chamber of Commerce Scholarship Award Reception
- Boston String Academy Spring Recital with GPA
- Boston Green Academy Teachers Workshop



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