


Blue Hill Avenue: Mattapan Square Transportation Action Plan!











Community Meeting
May 30, 2023



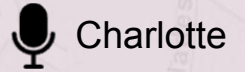
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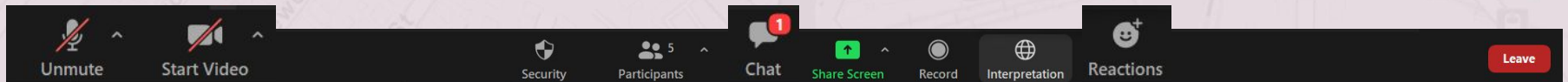
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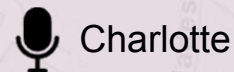
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Welcome!

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Community Meeting May 30, 2023





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Ground Rules

1. **Maintain respect for others in this space (*consultants, community members, and municipal agencies*).**
2. **Use “I” statements. If you are representing a neighborhood association or group, please share when speaking.**
3. **Step up and step back.**
4. **There will be a good amount of time for reaction and discussion at the end, please try to limit your questions until then.**



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INTRO POLL

1. **What is your main way of traveling through Mattapan Square? (walk, bike, car, public transit, other)**
2. **Why is this your primary way to get around?**
3. **What is your home zip code?**

(If you can't get the poll to work, feel free to use the Chat)



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Blue Hill Avenue: Mattapan Square

Meet the Team





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Public Sector Team

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MBTA Transit Priority

AJ Tanner
Mattapan Line Transformation

Benjamin Muller
MassDOT District 6
(Blue Hill Ave/Boston)

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- Office of Housing
- Office of Economic Opportunity & Inclusion
- Boston Planning & Development Agency
- Office of Neighborhood Services
- Office of New Urban Mechanics
- Office of Arts and Culture
- Disabilities Commission
- Age Strong Commission



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Stella Lensing
Planner, Project Manager



Engagement Team

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Olivier



Chavella
Lee-Pacheco



Ishmael D.
Hazelwood

Powerful Pathways



Allentza Michel



Zani'ah Brown

That Bike Lady



Vivian Ortiz

COMMUNITY PARTNERS

Greater Mattapan Neighborhood Council
Mattapan Square Main Streets





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Blue Hill Ave Project Goals

Goal 1: Improve pedestrian safety along Blue Hill Ave

Goal 2: Expand transportation options and reliability

Goal 3: Connect infrastructure investments to the work of other City departments and State agencies (*including housing and development, business and economic development, green infrastructure, environmental resilience, and public realm improvements*)



Vivian

Meeting Goals

Goal 1: Provide immediate updates about Mattapan Square

Goal 2: Share the feedback that we have heard to date from youth and young adults in Mattapan

Goal 3: Expand opportunities for participants to express what they would like to see, and promote dialogue between different users of the Square

Goal 4: Continue strengthening the relationship between the City and the Mattapan community



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Tonight's Agenda

1. Update on the Rise Sculpture in Mattapan Square
2. Mattapan Square User Experiences
3. Results from Parking Design Options Survey
4. Q&A + How to Get Involved



Sarah & Karin: Arts
and Culture

Immediate Updates

What happened to Rise?

- At 3 am on May 18th, a car crashed into *Rise*
- Boston Police responded and are continuing to investigate the crash

What did the City do about it?

- When we learned about the crash on Thursday, we contacted the artists and a conservator, Daedalus, to inspect the artwork
- Daedalus was on site on May 19th and recommended removal so they could assess the work
- The artwork was removed on May 24

What's next?

- We should have the assessment report from Daedalus by the end of next week
- Once we know the extent of the damage, we can schedule the repairs and re-installation in coordination with BTM

Contact us at Arts@boston.gov or BAC@boston.gov

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Daedalus



"Rise" Sculpture Temporarily Removed for Conservation Work

The Mayor's Office of Arts & Culture was recently made aware of the unfortunate news that part of the public artwork "Rise" by Fern Cunningham and Karen Eutemey in Mattapan was damaged in a motor vehicle crash. The artwork was safely removed from the site on May 24, 2023 and will be assessed for damages. We are working closely with a professional conservator on a plan for the repair and relocation of the artwork. For questions about the artwork, email bac@boston.gov.

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Blue Hill Avenue: Mattapan Square

Community Engagement and Mattapan Square User Experience



Community Engagement: How It Started

60 BOSTON 2030

Local

Neighborhood Complete Street Corridors

Enhancements to promote safe travel for those walking, on bikes, in buses, and driving cars

Project Description

Implementing Boston's Complete Streets Guidelines, the City will install enhancements along several neighborhood connectors that improve travel safety, accommodate people biking, and make walking more comfortable. These include: East Boston's longest connector, Harrison Street; Washington Street between Egleston and Dudley Squares; Hornbuckle Avenue in Barbours Corner; Highway connecting Roslindale and Mattapan; and Tremont Street in the South End.

Benefits and Issues Addressed

Each of these connector neighborhoods contains experiences higher crash rates and greater vehicle speeds than most of the neighborhoods that land on them, or residents of these neighborhoods spend on these corridors for daily life. Making each a complete street will improve safety for all travelers and provide much needed bicycle accommodation where none exist. Once improved, these corridors can make it easier for residents to walk and bike to transit, neighborhood services, and their destinations.

Best Practices

In 2014, NACTD released their Sustainable Streets plan. The plan laid out several transportation solutions that would improve streets for all modes of transportation and increase safety for bicyclists and pedestrians. www.nactd.org/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2014/06/SS-Plan-10-14-14.pdf

The City of Boston is currently designing Harrison Avenue on the South End with wide sidewalks and protected bike lanes with green screening for all.

Implementation

Approximate Cost: \$40 million for design and construction

Potential Funding Sources: City capital plan for design and Boston MBTA TIF for construction

Who's Responsible? FDOT, Public Works, and MassDOT

Time Frame: Ongoing and over 15 years

Action Plan

Projects and Policies

Final Design: East Boston - Designated Street: Safety - System in Safety, Roslindale, Mattapan - Eastern Highway Safety - Upgrade the Tremont Street Street East Boston Station

○○○○○ Action 1 ○○○○○ Action 2
 ○○○○○ Action 3 ○○○○○ Action 4
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The project encompasses a total of 10 complete streets and the Street Network.

Public Input

Tremont Street "Show your Staff" Road Closures: Boston's Tremont Street is the South End's main artery. What could that mean for the neighborhood? Community meeting for design speeds, and documented safety for people on foot and on-bike? by www.boston.gov

VISION Vision Goals and Targets

ACTION PLAN Projects Vision 1 Vision 2 Vision 3 Projects and Policies

The Question Bank

"HOW WILL GLOBAL WARMING AND RISING SEA LEVELS AFFECT THE FUTURE OF TRANSPORTATION?"

WHAT'S YOUR QUESTION?

"WHEN ARE WE GOING TO INVEST IN HIGH-SPEED INFRASTRUCTURE?"

WHAT'S YOUR QUESTION?

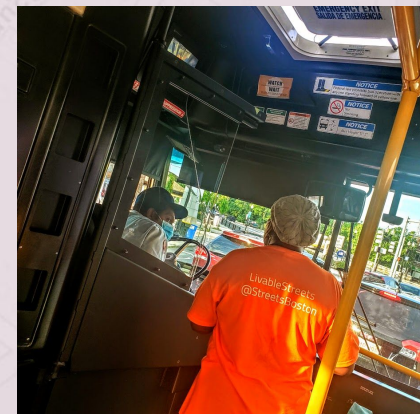
"HOW CAN TRANSPORTATION BE ACCESSIBLE TO YOUTH AND ELDERLY?"

WHAT'S YOUR QUESTION?

"HOW WILL BOSTON BE MORE BIKE FRIENDLY?"

WHAT'S YOUR QUESTION?

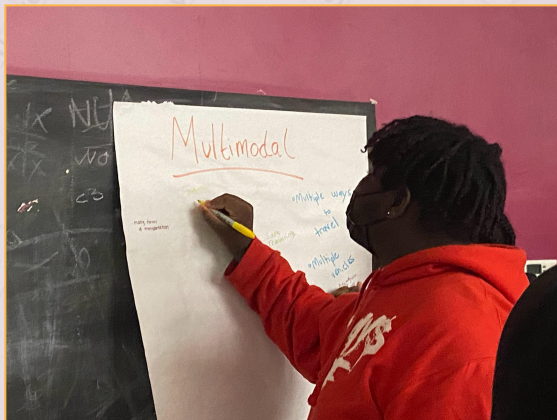
Examples of community questions and photos of participants at public meetings.



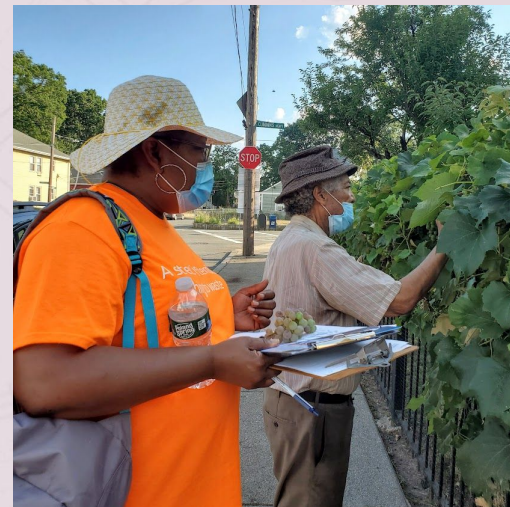
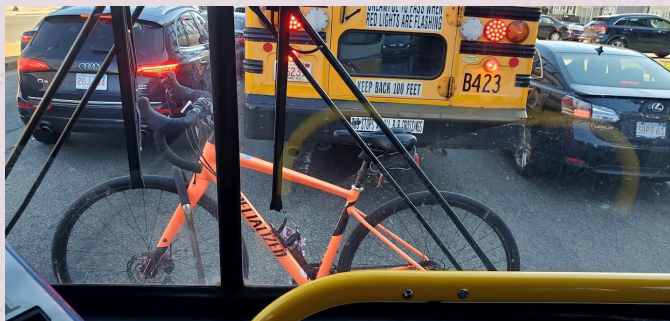


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Why this engagement is different



- *Neighbor to Neighbor*
- *Youth-focused*
- *Education and feedback loop*
- *On the ground*
- *Multilingual*

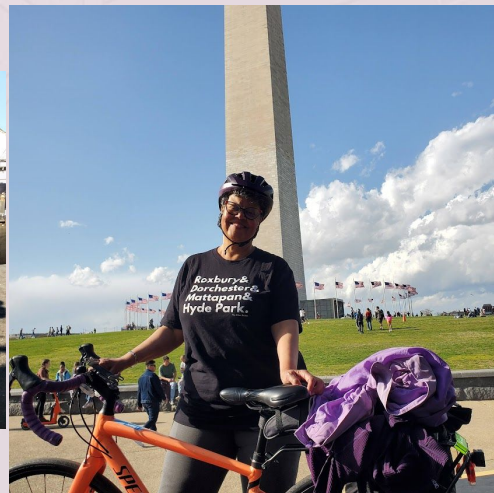




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Engagement Team: Vivian Ortiz, That Bike Lady

Mattapan resident focused on reaching out to individuals who are often not invited to participate in the public process. They may not be familiar with planning efforts, including those that may benefit them.





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Engagement Team: Consult LeLa



A community engagement firm dedicated to making planning the future of our neighborhood an enjoyable and accessible experience for all. When we design for everyone and from a place of joy, we can create a world that works for everyone!



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Consult LeLa + Youth Engagement

As humans who will inherit this world and envision their future from today, young people must be at the table discussing how we will live, travel, and feed the world.

Creativity and imagination is needed to spark solutions. Youth have the creativity, will, and imagination to propel our world forward.

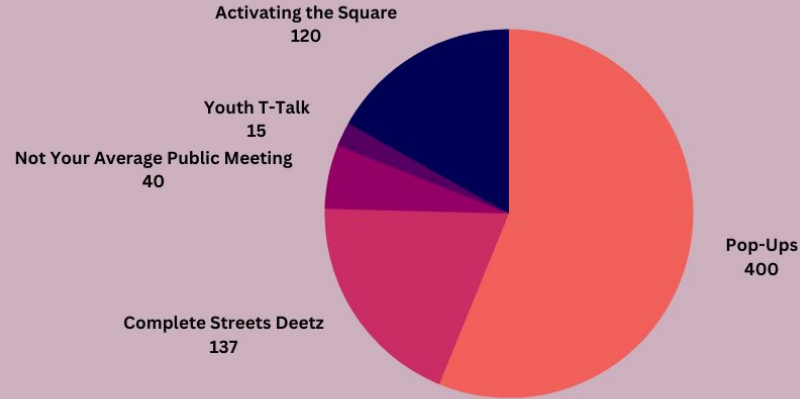


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In regards to the Mattapan Square Redesign

From 2021 to now we have engaged

750 people





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20 Pop-Ups

From 2022 to date



- *Mattapan Square Farmer's Market*
- *Urban Farming Institute Farmers' Market*
- *Boston Parks and Recreation Neighborhood Concert Series*
- *Mattapan Community Health Center Health Fair*
- *Blue Hill Avenue Open Streets*
- *Mattapan Square bus stop*
- *Kay's Oasis*
- *Church of the Holy Spirit*
- *Mattapan Teen Center Block Party*

...and many more

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Youth Engagement Committee (YEC)



- YEC Summer 2022
- Partnered with WalkBoston to conduct a youth-led walk audit. The audit findings were presented to Boston's Transportation Department in August 2022
- YEC Winter 2023
- Activating the Square, March 2023



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Woodhaven
Street Lot

The Result of a LACK of Heat Mitigation Tools



August 3rd, 2022: 80 Degrees Fahrenheit



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Heat Mitigation Tool Present

The “tool” is the tree
The tree is providing shade





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How We Envision Our Future



"Misters to be added to the bus stop, so in the summer the temperature at the bus stops is cooler".



"MBTA station. Having a nice looking station with maps will help bring more people in. The more people that take public transportation will be safer for not only our community but it could also reduce people getting sick".



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Complete Streets Deetz Workshops

Mattapan Teen Center

Mattapan Food & Fitness
Coalition Vigorous Youth

Boston Nature Center

Gallivan Community Center

Mildred Avenue Community
Center

Mattapan Library

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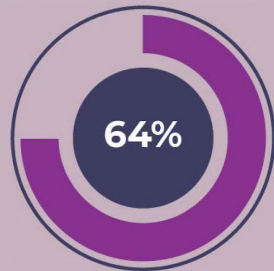




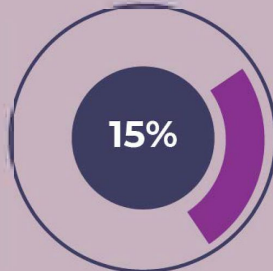
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Characteristic	ALL	AGE 6-14	AGE 15-19	
All participants, No. (%)	88 (100.0)	26 (29.5)	62 (70.5)	
SEX, NO. (%)	Male	37 (42.5%)	10 (38.5%)	27 (44.3%)
	Female	47 (54%)	16 (61.5%)	31 (50.8%)
	Non-binary	3(3.5%)		3 (4.9%)

All Participants by Racial Groups



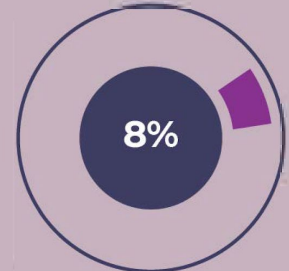
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HISPANIC



OTHER



NON-HISPANIC WHITE



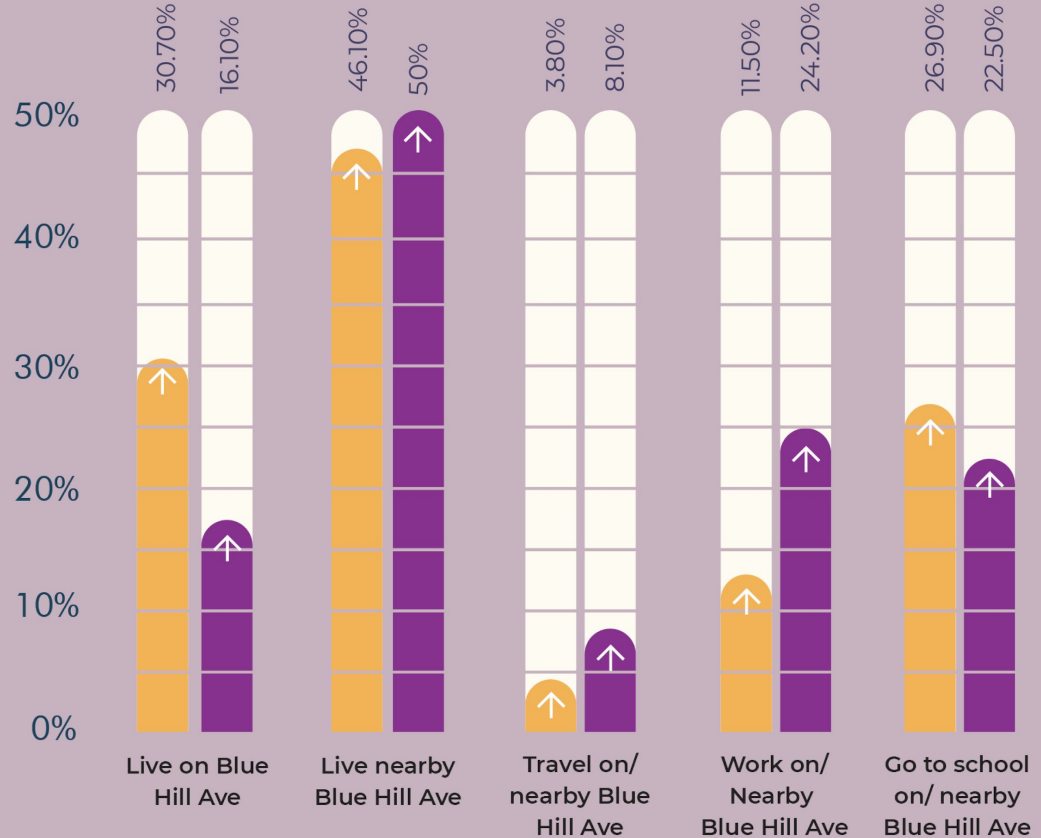
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Survey Respondents Connection to Blue Hill Avenue

HOW PARTICIPANT ASSOCIATED WITH BLUE HILL AVE

● AGE 6-14

● AGE 15-19

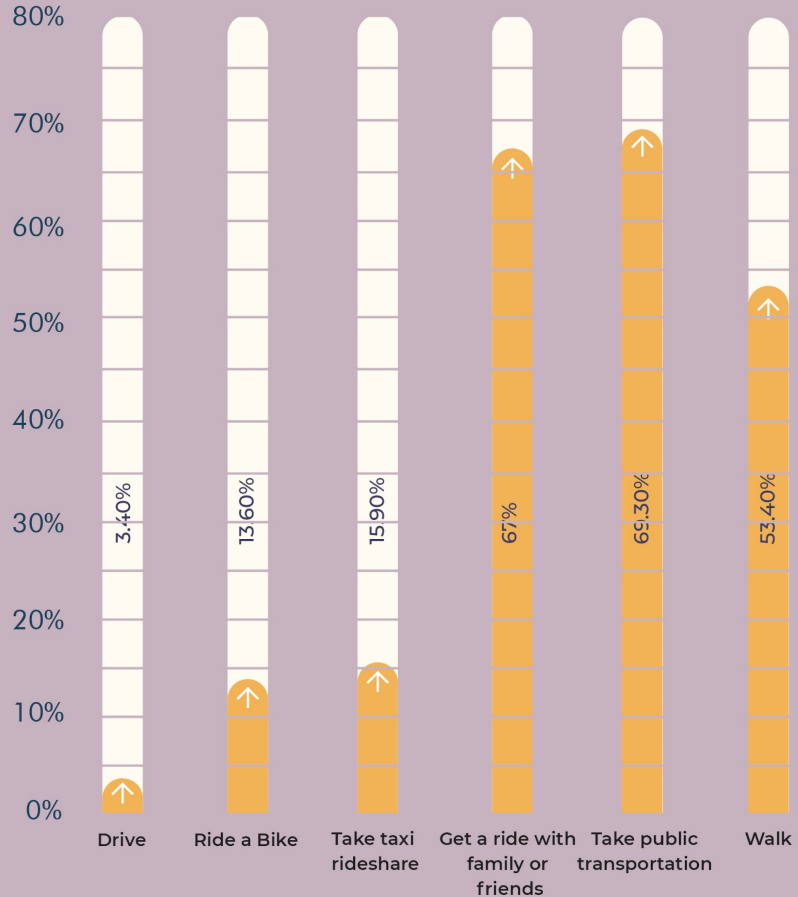




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How Survey Respondents Move Along Blue Hill Avenue

TRANSPORTATION MODES USED BY PARTICIPANTS ON BLUE HILL AVE





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COMMON ISSUES

Bus/ train does not run on time

The commute takes too long

I am not sure how to read the bus/ train schedule

Safety concerns

Major Traffic Issues

SPEEDING/
RECKLESS
DRIVING

PARKING
ISSUES

POOR
ROAD
CONDITIONS

BIKE LANES

OUTSTANDING QUOTES

Reckless drivers who do what they want because they drive.

People are not paying attention to the road.

People parked in undesignated parking spaces.

People who want to park in lanes and there are no police officers giving them tickets.

Many lanes, but tight roads, busy and very inconvenient - more drivers

I'm used to riding bikes on bike paths or empty parking lots. The street is too busy.

The parking spaces and the lack of room on the sidewalk plus there is not a bike lane near Mattapan Square.



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**“Reckless drivers who do what they want
because they drive.”**

2021 Complete Streets Deetz respondent



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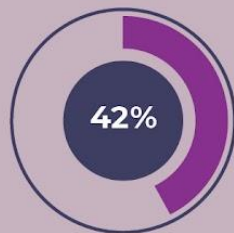


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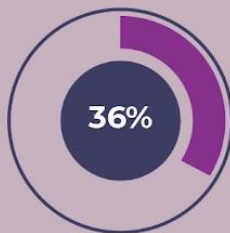
Walking or Riding a Bike on Blue Hill Avenue

HOW COMFORTABLE/SAFE DO YOU FEEL WALKING ALONG BLUE HILL AVE?

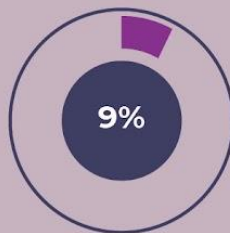
2.3. Safety traveling on Blue Hill Ave



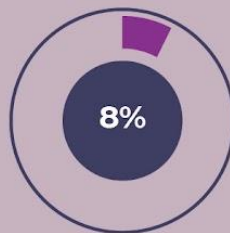
Comfortable/safe at most time.



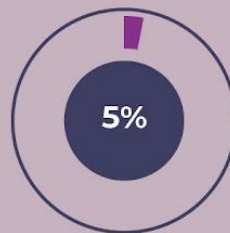
Comfortable/safe only in specific times of the day.



Very comfortable/safe all the time.

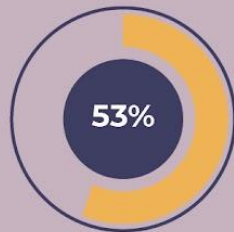


Don't know, I have not walked on Blue Hill Ave recently

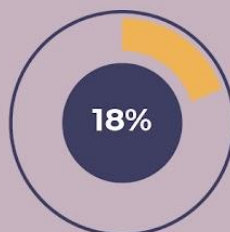


Uncomfortable/unsafe, and I avoid walking on Blue Hill Ave

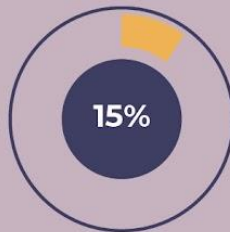
HOW COMFORTABLE/SAFE DO YOU FEEL RIDING A BIKE ON BLUE HILL AVE?



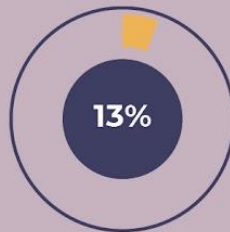
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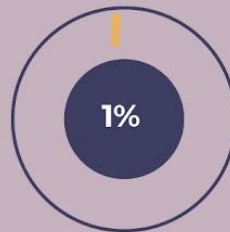
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Comfortable/safe only in specific times of the day.



Uncomfortable/unsafe, and I avoid riding on Blue Hill Ave



Very comfortable/safe all the time.



WHAT DO YOU THINK MAKES IT NOT COMFORTABLE AND SAFE TO WALK OR BIKE ON BLUE HILL AVE?

WALKING EXPERIENCE

The crime rates are definitely a reason of our discomfort.

When drivers disregard the rules for driving.
The sidewalk timer is kind of short.

Some people feel uncomfortable walking at night because of safety.

Crack sidewalks people might trip over and fall leading to getting hurt or having a bad day since they might of fell in the mud

It's pretty safe most times, but some people drive fast at night. Speeding makes it a bit unsafe.

BIKE RIDING EXPERIENCE

Some drivers are not very aware of people biking.

The bike lane is close to the road.

There is no bike lane near Mattapan square.



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2021 Complete Streets Deetz respondent





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Priority Areas for Blue Hill Avenue

IMPROVEMENT FOCUS AREAS FOR COMPLETE STREET PROJECT

Please select one answer for each statement



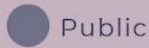
Traffic



Pedestrian Amenities



Bicycle Amenities



Public Transportation



Green space



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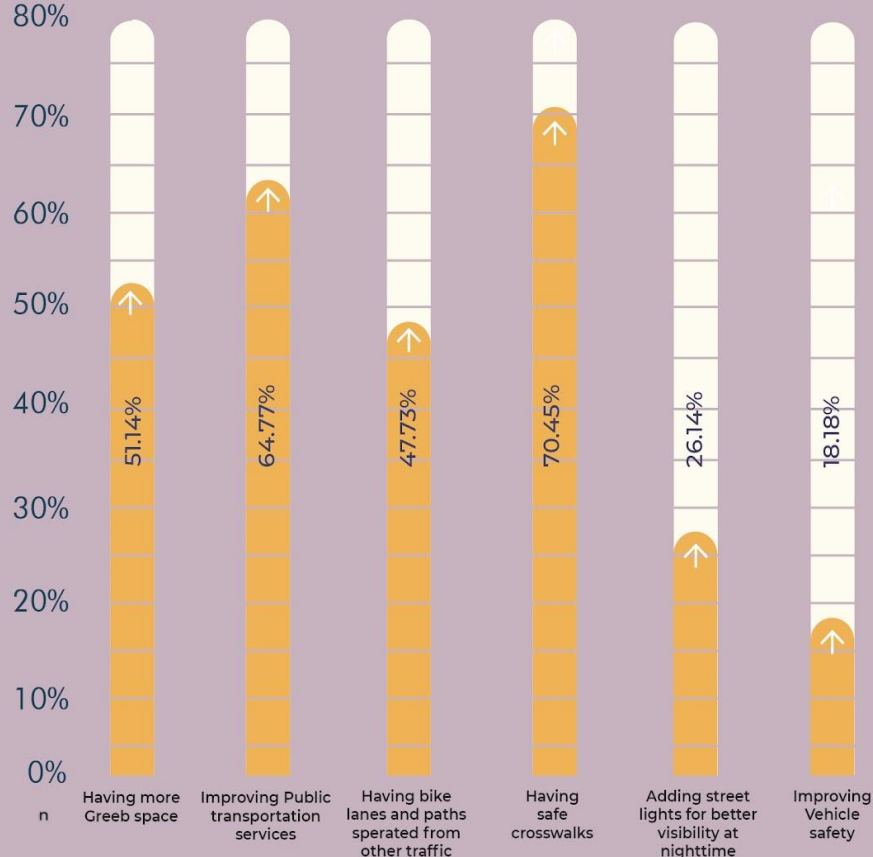


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Prioritizing the Type of Changes on Blue Hill Avenue

HOW WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE THE FOLLOWING CHANGE ON BLUE HILL AVE?

3.2. Rates of Complete Street Project Ideas





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Other Changes on Blue Hill Avenue

WHAT OTHER TYPES OF CHANGE WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE ON BLUE HILL AVE?

3.3 Other Improvement Ideas

SAFETY MEASURES

Restrictions on speed, or add speed bumps

Make the speed zone lower, more bike sign, and walk sign

More extended curbs

BICYCLE AMENITIES

Protected bike lanes and an increase in crosswalks.

More bikes and scooter spots

Having more accessible bike lanes & better buses & train access would be nice

PEDESTRIAN AMENITIES

More time for pedestrians to cross

Create an efficient way for pedestrians to cross without getting hurt

ROAD CONDITIONS

Fixing the roads, placing grocery stores off this road because people can access it through the bus if you make the bus accessible to everyone, and re-painting the lines

Less construction



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“Create an efficient way for pedestrians to cross without getting hurt.”

2021 Complete Streets Deetz respondent



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“Having more accessible bike lanes and better buses and train access would be nice”

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2022-2023 Complete Streets Deetz





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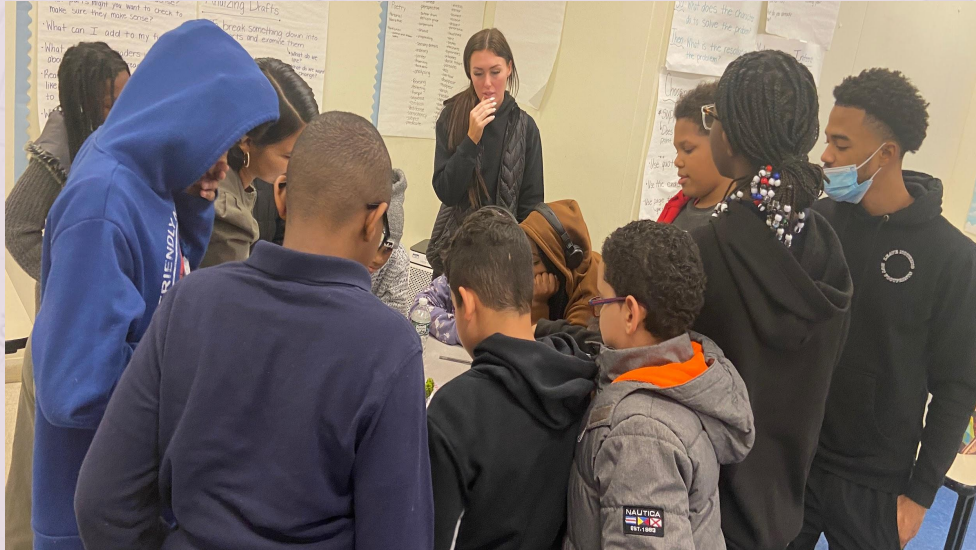
2022-23 Complete Streets Deetz

60 Mattahunt Elementary School students
(5th & 6th graders, 9-12 years old)





Advocacy in Action



- Simulate how meeting go-ers share their thoughts in a public meeting
- Four groups: walkers, bikers, public transit riders, and car drivers
- Given the following prompt:

As a _____ in Mattapan Square, I believe we need _____ because _____.



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*"As a **walker** in Mattapan Square I believe we need **more lights** because **it is too dark in the mornings.**"*

*"As a **walker** in Mattapan Square I believe we need **more sidewalk improvements** because **some are skinny and some are broken and some need to be cleaned.**"*

Advocacy in Action

Mattahunt Elementary School Students



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Walkers/Pedestrians Need:



- Safety
- Benches
- More street lights
- Crosswalkers
- Not as big streets
- Sidewalk improvement
- To stop cars from crashing into people
- People watching how people drive
- One way streets
- Signs saying don't go on the sidewalk
- More ways to slow down cars



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*"As a **biker** in Mattapan Square I believe we need **more maps to not get lost at the street.**"*

*"As a **biker** in Mattapan Square I believe we need **more bike lanes, more room, and more things added because it wouldn't be fair if we get hit by a car and we need more space because nobody wants to get yelled at.**"*

*Advocacy in Action students
Mattahunt Elementary School*



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Bikers/Cyclists Need:

- Bike parking
- More space to ride/our own space
- More P-R-O-T-E-C-T-I-O-N
- More maps



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"As a **public transit rider** in Mattapan Square I believe we need **bus credit/tab on a dedicated bus lane** because **people sometimes don't have money to pay the bus fees.**"

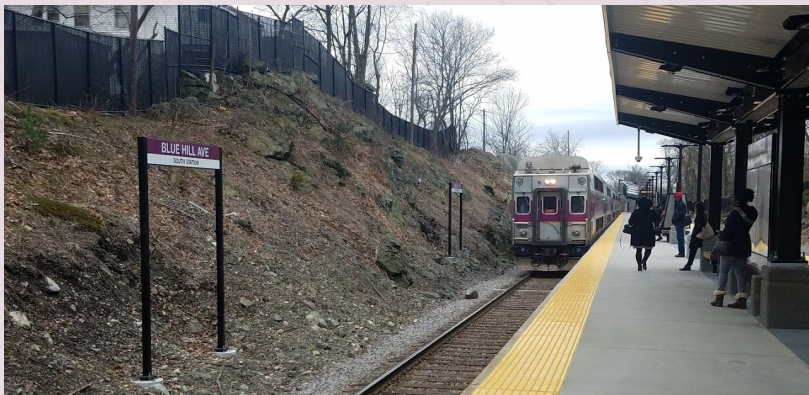
"As a **public transit rider** in Mattapan Square I believe we need **more seats** because **we sometimes have to stand or sit next to a creep.**"

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Public Transit Riders Need:



- bus shelters
- more seats
- the bus to stop
- more bus lanes
- smart TV
- more trains/buses added to the schedule
- real time location
- real time arrival



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"As a motorist in Mattapan Square I believe we need more crossing guards and parking because some of the challenges a motorist face are traffic, parking, watching for bikers, and pedestrians"

*Advocacy in Action, motorist
Mattahunt Elementary School Student*



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"As a motorist in Mattapan Square I believe we need more car only lanes and parking because the bus are creating traffic and people double park"

*Advocacy in Action, motorist
Mattahunt Elementary School Student*



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Car Drivers Need:

- More car only lanes and parking
- Crossing guards and speed bumps
- More space
- More parking at train stations
- More signs on the street



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We spoke with 60 MATCH Charter High school students (14-16 yrs old)



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Design Yo' Street

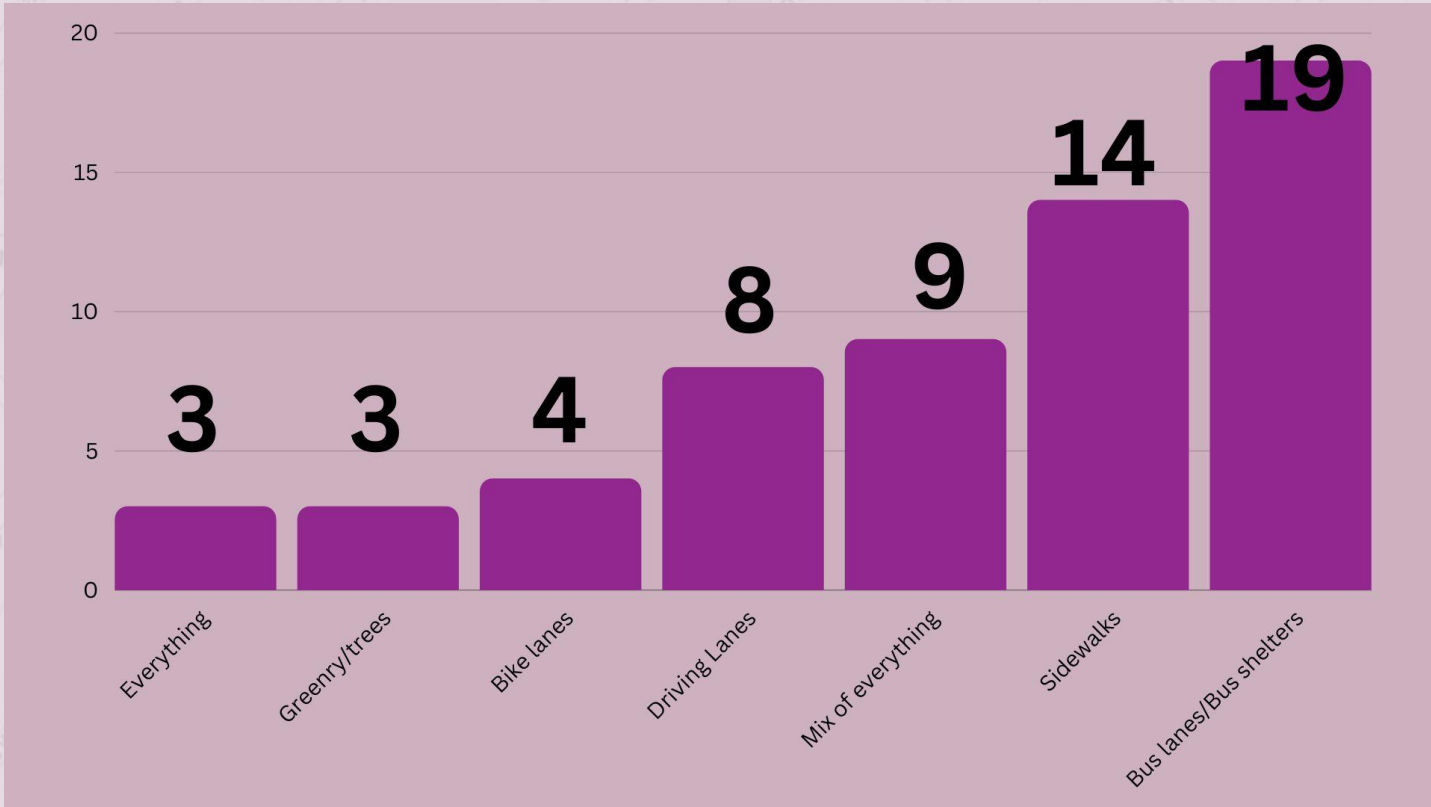
1. Youth are given a template of a street via graph paper
2. Using cut outs - youth are asked to prioritize the elements (bus lanes, trees, lights, parking, etc) they would like to see in the Square





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What Did Students Prioritize?





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Why did they prioritize this?

Balance: "make sure nobody is mad that another has more space. complaining is bad"

Bus lanes: "because i take the bus to school everyday so it's very important"

Bikers: "because many people die from bike accidents on Mass Ave"

Walkers: "because people that are walking could get hurt if the streets are not designed in a safe way"

Trees: "trees are also essential for oxygen and shouldn't be copped out for cement"

Lamps: "when its dark you cant see or function safely and people don't even drive properly in the day "



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Blue Hill Avenue: Mattapan Square

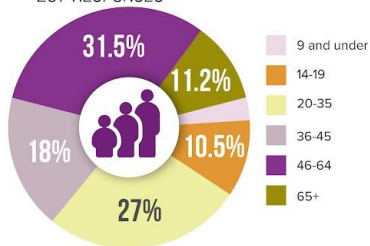
Parking Design Options Survey



MATTAPAN SQUARE PARKING DESIGN OPTIONS SURVEY RESULTS AS OF 4/18/2023

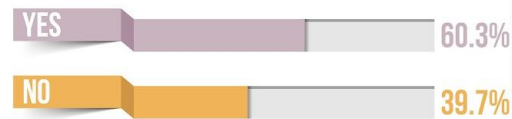
WHAT IS YOUR AGE?

267 RESPONSES



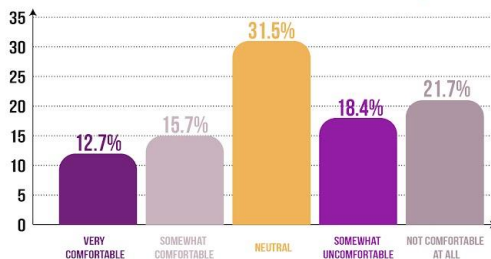
DO YOU PARK IN MATTAPAN SQUARE?

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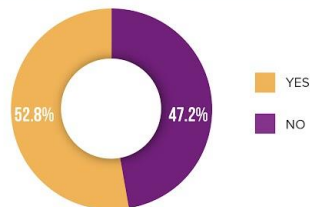
HOW COMFORTABLE IS IT TO PARK IN MATTAPAN SQUARE?

267 RESPONSES



DO YOU LIVE IN MATTAPAN?

267 RESPONSES

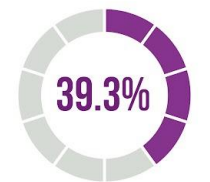


HOW DO YOU GET AROUND? (CHOOSE ALL THAT APPLY)



WHICH OF THE PARKING OPTIONS WOULD YOU PREFER?

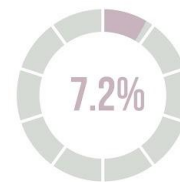
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ANGLED PARKING



PARALLEL PARKING



NONE OF THEM

N/A

“You still won't find parking”

“I'm not a fan of either option, but the current setup doesn't improve traffic congestion and is not safe for pedestrians.”

“I live off of Blue Hill Avenue further up in Dorchester, so very close by. It would be nice to have a compromise position here. Also, the municipal lots are rarely used during peak business hours. Could be an additional consideration. I park in the one behind Chase all the time and am frequently one of the only cars.”

“I only drive to the square when I have my mom who uses a walker. I am really concerned about accessibility in the square for ppl with disabilities and angle parking makes me nervous for pedestrians. I understand the need for more parking though.”



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It's Survey Time!

**Please take the parking survey shared in the chat.
It will take you 5 - 7 minutes!**



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Blue Hill Avenue: Mattapan Square

Q + A Discussion





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Blue Hill Avenue

How to Get Involved





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Ongoing Engagement Opportunities

- Monthly Blue Hill Ave: Mattapan Square meetings, sign up at bit.ly/bluehillmattapan
Next Meeting: June 20, 6:30 pm
- Monthly Blue Hill Ave meetings, sign up at bit.ly/bha-tap
Next Meeting: June 27, 6:30 pm

Real Talk for Change

- These are 1-hour facilitated conversations between 4-8 community members
- Community members are paid for their time
- If you would like to participate, please email bluehillave@boston.gov with “Real Talk” in the subject line!

If you have questions, please email bluehillave@boston.gov



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Upcoming In-Person Engagement

THURSDAY, APRIL 27, 2023 | 6PM-8PM | CASH BAR

NOT YOUR AVERAGE PUBLIC MEETING: MATTAPAN SQUARE

Mattapan Square + Blue Hill Ave are being redesigned.
Let's talk about it!

Free food from Everybody Gotta Eat | Vibe with DJ WhySham

SPARK BOSTON'S FUTURE

Previous Event

Not Your Average Public Meeting: Blue Hill Avenue Redesign

- Tentatively, Thursday, June 29
- Location, TBD

If you would like more information, please visit consultlela.com or email consultlela@gmail.com

Other Opportunities for Engagement



Now until October!

**City of Boston's
FREE Learn-to-Ride Classes
for Women & Gender-Diverse People**
Bikes & helmets provided!

www.boston.gov/women-bike

#MOREBUTTSONBIKES
casual, gently-paced rides along the
Neponset River Greenway Trail

**MONDAY NIGHT
BIKE RIDES**

Sign up: mondaynightrides/eventbrite.com

Meet at the bench near 1472 Blue Hill Ave at
MATTAPAN STATION
GATHER AT 5:30, ROLL AT 5:45 PM

Need a bike for the ride?
Contact Vivian **NO LATER THAN 4:30 pm** on Monday
for a FREE pass for a Bluebike!
thatbikelady@gmail.com or (617) 514-2617
Follow [@That Bike Lady](https://www.instagram.com/ThatBikeLady) on Instagram & Facebook

Starting Monday, 6/5!

**Weekly Evening Bike Ride
along the Neponset Trail**
Bluebikes available upon request
thatbikelady@gmail.com



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Community Announcement

13th Annual
MATTAPAN
ON WHEELS
THE MUSICAL FLAVORS OF MATTAPAN
RIDE WITH US | BRING YOUR FLAG | FOOD TRUCKS | MUSIC

SAT. JULY 15TH
TIME: 8:00AM-2:00PM

Ride with **Mattapan Food and Fitness Coalition** as we take you through the musical flavors of Mattapan.

Bring your flag and join one of many bike routes while listening to the energetic sounds of our heritage.

RYANS' PLAYGROUND
350 River Street Mattapan, MA 02126


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FOOD AND FITNESS
COALITION

REGISTRATION:
<https://qrco.de/MoW13>

13th Annual Mattapan on Wheels: The Musical Flavors of Mattapan

- Register at www.mattapanonwheels13.eventbrite.com

If you would like more information, please email info@mattapanfoodandfit.org

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How to Stay Connected

City of Boston

(617) 635-3944

bluehillave@boston.gov

Recordings of past meetings &
project materials:

boston.gov/blue-hill-avenue

What other questions do you have?

[Let us know using this form!](#)

Consult LeLa

Website: consultlela.com



That Bike Lady aka Vivian Ortiz

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Email: thatbikelady@gmail.com



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Recordings of past monthly Zoom meetings and other project materials can be found here:

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