

Allston Brighton CDC's Community Investment Plan 2020-2022

MISSION: Allston Brighton CDC builds a stronger, more stable community by representing and supporting the interests, engagement, and leadership of Allston Brighton's diverse communities, institutions, individuals, and families of all incomes.

Goal 1: Increase resident participation and engagement in ABCDC owned housing and community activities.

ABCDC is committed to ensuring that all residents living in ABCDC owned housing have access to the services and resources they need for secure tenancies, to avoid homelessness, and to foster a stable environment for the entire portfolio. We also believe that meaningful resident engagement and leadership is essential to creating a positive and healthy environment in the housing and in the larger community. We will serve the 1,000+ residents in our properties through All Bright Community Center activities, individualized case management, and leadership training.

Goal 2: Increase supply and access to quality housing for a range of incomes.

We will increase access to affordable and workforce rental housing and homeownership ensuring that Allston Brighton remains a vibrant community for residents from a range of incomes. All our housing development activities will maximize sustainable and green housing practices to the degree feasible and be located near transit for easy access to employment centers, including downtown Boston. We will increase the ABCDC portfolio by 20% over three years for a total of 607+ units.

Goal 3: Encourage financial empowerment and increase financial literacy and stability for residents of all incomes

Regardless of income, financial literacy is a pivotal aspect of ensuring our neighbors have stable lives. Whether individual goals are focused on building credit, getting a handle on student debt, or buying a home, ABCDC seeks to grow financial wellness and encourage financial empowerment for all community members. ACCDC will graduate 1,000 first-time homebuyers and provide one-on-one counseling to over 250 clients across the neighborhood.

Goal 4: Ensure housing and development projects meet the needs of the diverse population of Allston Brighton.

Working with neighborhood residents and other stakeholders, we will advocate for policies to ensure that housing and development changes in Allston Brighton meet the diverse needs of the community. Our staff will advocate for policies that improve and expand affordable housing while also educating and encourage community members to get involved in the process. Our staff will engage 450 residents and empower them to make their voices heard in the development process.