

Allston Brighton CDC's Community Investment Plan 2026-2028

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 supply and access to quality housing for a range of incomes while prioritizing climate resiliency and green energy upgrades.*

We will increase the supply and 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, e.g., Passive House Certified, and be located near transit for easy access to employment centers, including downtown Boston. **ABCDC will increase portfolio (currently 553 units total) by 5-9% over three years for a total of 27-49 new units. ABCDC will also execute preservation projects that will decarbonize at least 2-17% of the existing portfolio over three years for a total of 12-97 renovated, fossil fuel free units**

Goal 2: *Encourage financial empowerment and make homeownership more attainable for all residents regardless of background.*

Homeownership remains a pivotal factor in fostering neighborhood stability, diversity, and civic engagement within the Allston Brighton community. However, the persistent homeownership rate disparities in Allston Brighton underscore ongoing structural barriers that disproportionately affect residents of color and low- to moderate-income households. Addressing these barriers through comprehensive education, counseling, and support remains central to ABCDC's mission of promoting equitable homeownership and long-term financial empowerment. **ABCDC will graduate over 2,300 first-time homebuyers and hold 50 Homebuying 101 classes. Additionally, at least 235 graduates will receive one-on-one pre-purchase counseling with HUD-certified counselors in both English and Spanish.**

Goal 3: *Increase resident participation and engagement in ABCDC housing and community activities.*

ABCDC is committed to ensuring that all residents living in ABCDC 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 are essential to creating a positive and healthy environment within our housing and in the larger community. **At least 250 residents will attend resident-specific events and programming focused on economic resiliency, mental health and mindfulness, and health and nutrition. 200 households will receive individual support services and case management related to rental stability.**