

Dorchester



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Need better ways to bike from anywhere in city to UMass. Too many lanes on Morrissey Blvd.

—Dorchester workshop (VietAID)

Savin Hill/JFK area needs more small businesses in the food industry (restaurants, cafes, markets). We need more small commercial space to be available for these businesses.

—Nicole, Dorchester

Our neighborhood needs more than bodegas, check cashing and fast food. Rebuild, rezone, and revitalize to support healthy places to shop, eat and work

— Gabrielle, Bowdoin/Geneva

Here's what we heard in your neighborhood

We heard lots of exciting ideas at the Dorchester workshops for enhancing neighborhoods like Dudley Square, Bowdoin/Geneva, and Fields Corner. Neighborhood jobs and more local businesses were envisioned for all of these areas, along with job training and English language programs to help residents access jobs. Residents wanted to see more places to eat, shop, and play in Fields Corner, Dudley, and Bowdoin/Geneva, including stores, restaurants, family friendly green spaces, sports facilities, and a movie theater.

When it comes to getting around, residents focused on better buses and more bike lanes, which were also prioritized for health reasons: buses to cut down on air pollution from traffic, and safe bike routes for people to exercise. A big theme was the need to improve bus service: more buses with dedicated lanes and other strategies to make sure they can get through traffic and arrive on time.

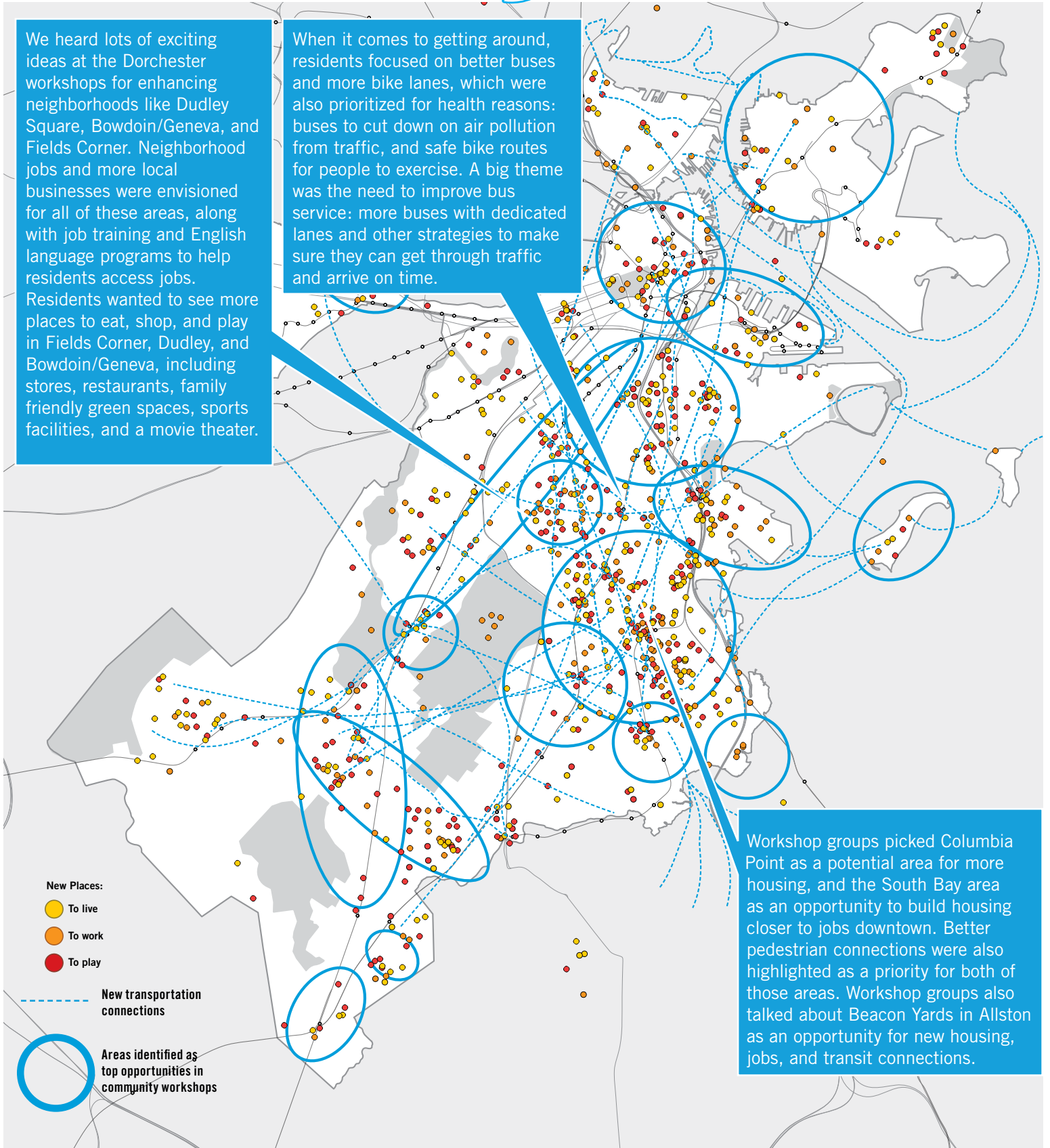
Workshop groups picked Columbia Point as a potential area for more housing, and the South Bay area as an opportunity to build housing closer to jobs downtown. Better pedestrian connections were also highlighted as a priority for both of those areas. Workshop groups also talked about Beacon Yards in Allston as an opportunity for new housing, jobs, and transit connections.

New Places:

- To live
- To work
- To play

- - - New transportation connections

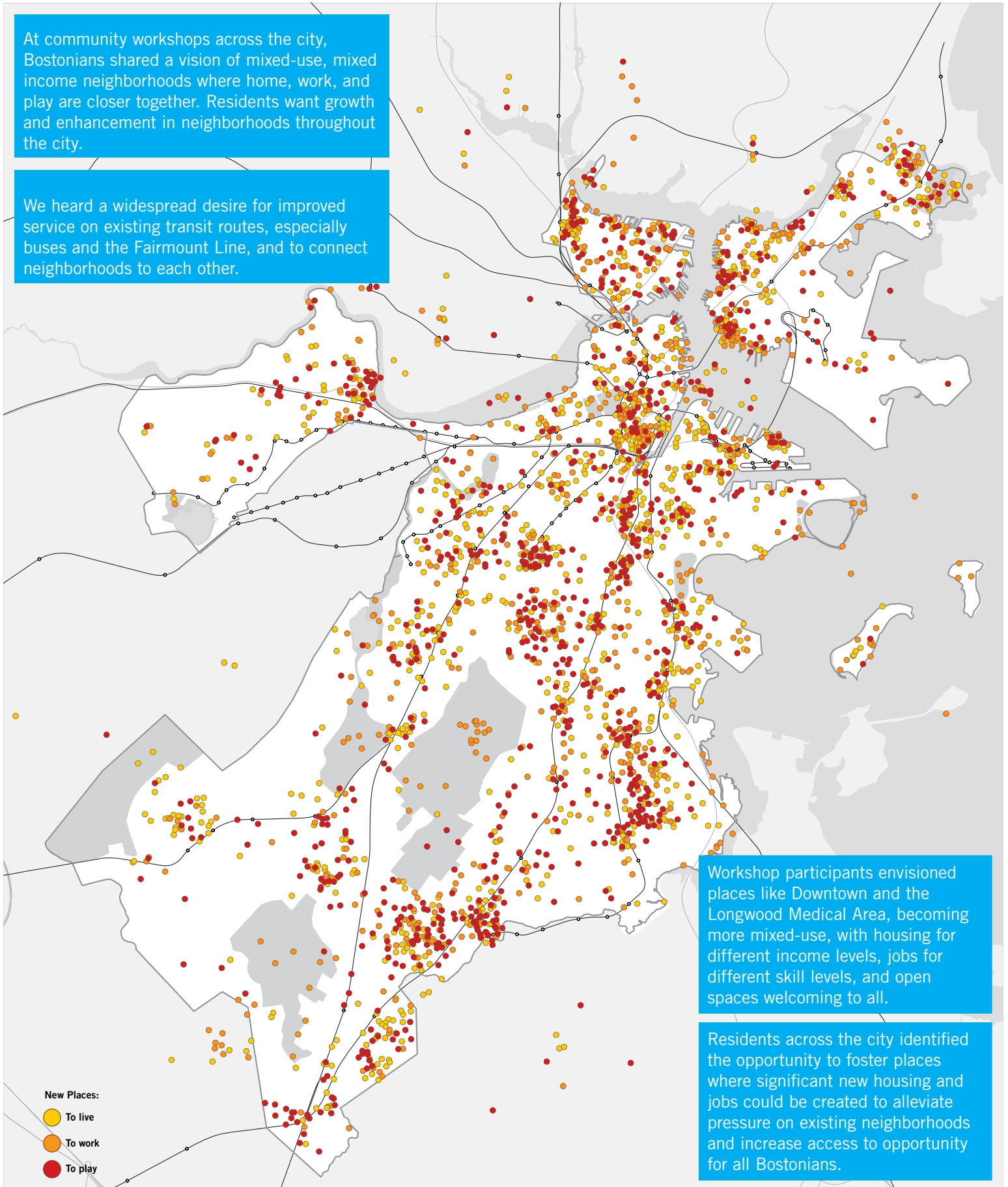
○ Areas identified as top opportunities in community workshops



Here's what we heard citywide

At community workshops across the city, Bostonians shared a vision of mixed-use, mixed income neighborhoods where home, work, and play are closer together. Residents want growth and enhancement in neighborhoods throughout the city.

We heard a widespread desire for improved service on existing transit routes, especially buses and the Fairmount Line, and to connect neighborhoods to each other.



Workshop participants envisioned places like Downtown and the Longwood Medical Area, becoming more mixed-use, with housing for different income levels, jobs for different skill levels, and open spaces welcoming to all.

Residents across the city identified the opportunity to foster places where significant new housing and jobs could be created to alleviate pressure on existing neighborhoods and increase access to opportunity for all Bostonians.