



Board of Health

January 12, 2022

Executive Office Report and Staffing Updates

New additions to the team:

- Johanna Kaiser – Communications Director
- Michele Clark, DrPH, MPH – Deputy Director for Programs and Services

Introducing B Together

INTRODUCING B TOGETHER

Starting on **January 15, 2022**, individuals will be required to show proof of COVID-19 vaccination to enter certain indoor spaces in Boston.

Learn more at
boston.gov/b-together



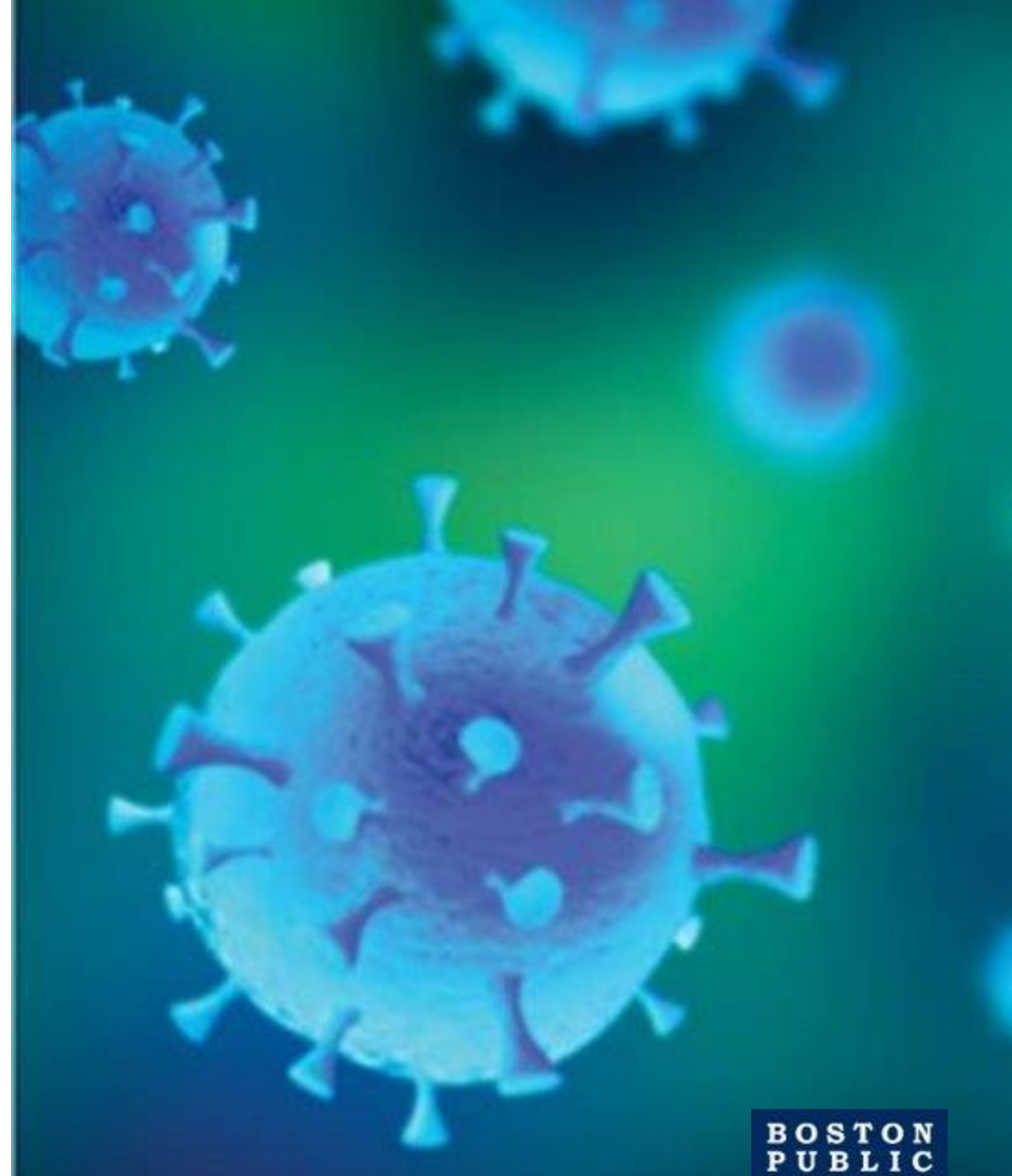
CITY of BOSTON

<u>Date</u>	<u>Requirement</u>
Saturday, January 15, 2022	People age 12+ must show proof of 1 dose of vaccine
Tuesday, February 15, 2022	People age 12+ must show proof of full vaccination (2 doses)
Tuesday, March 1, 2022	Children age 5-11 must show proof of 1 dose of vaccine
Sunday, May 1, 2022	People age 5+ must show proof of full vaccination

COVID-19 Updates

Dr. Bisola Ojikutu, Executive Director

*Dr. Sarimer Sanchez, Infectious Disease Bureau
Director*



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Metrics

(7-Day Moving Average)

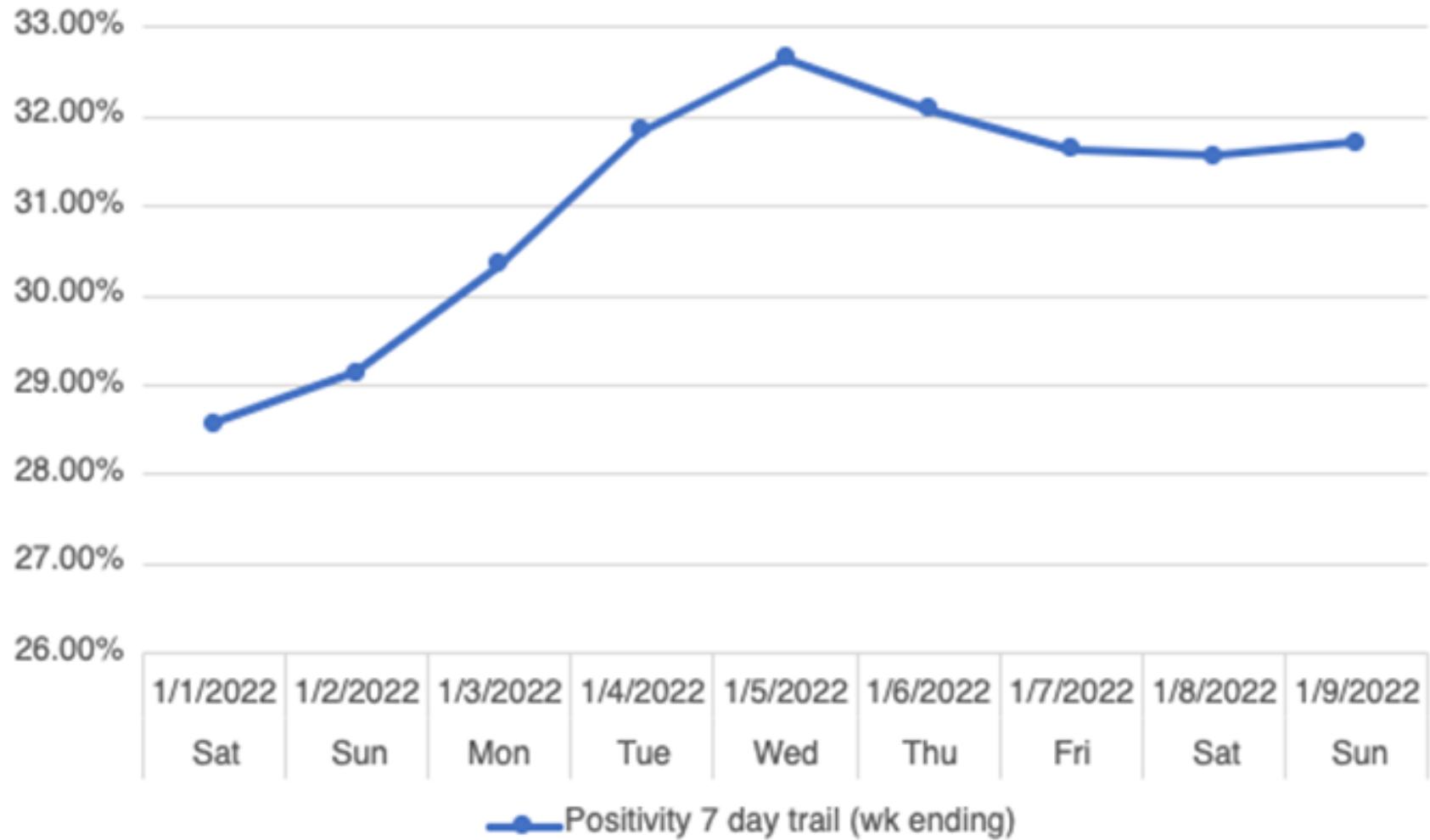
Comparisons

	<u>Current Week</u>	<u>Previous Week</u>	<u>Previous Two Weeks</u>
New Positive Tests	2404.4	+34%	+165%
Positivity (Community)	31.6%	+3.4 ppts	+17.4 ppts
Tests (Community)	6,553	+12%	+17%
ED Visits (COVID , incl. suspected)	552.0	-6%	+67%
Hospitalizations (COVID)			
Adult (metric)	605	+53%	+110%
Pediatric (supplemental)*	40	+74%	+350%
Occupied Adult ICU Beds (%)	96%	+4ppts	+4 ppts

* Pediatric hospitalization data is presented here in addition to the Adult Hospitalizations Metric

Raw Data Sources: Mass. Dept. of Public Health, Division of Infectious Disease and Laboratory Sciences; Massachusetts Department of Public Health, Capacity and Utilization Data: Hospitals, Hospital Laboratory, and Acute Care Facility Data Reporting.

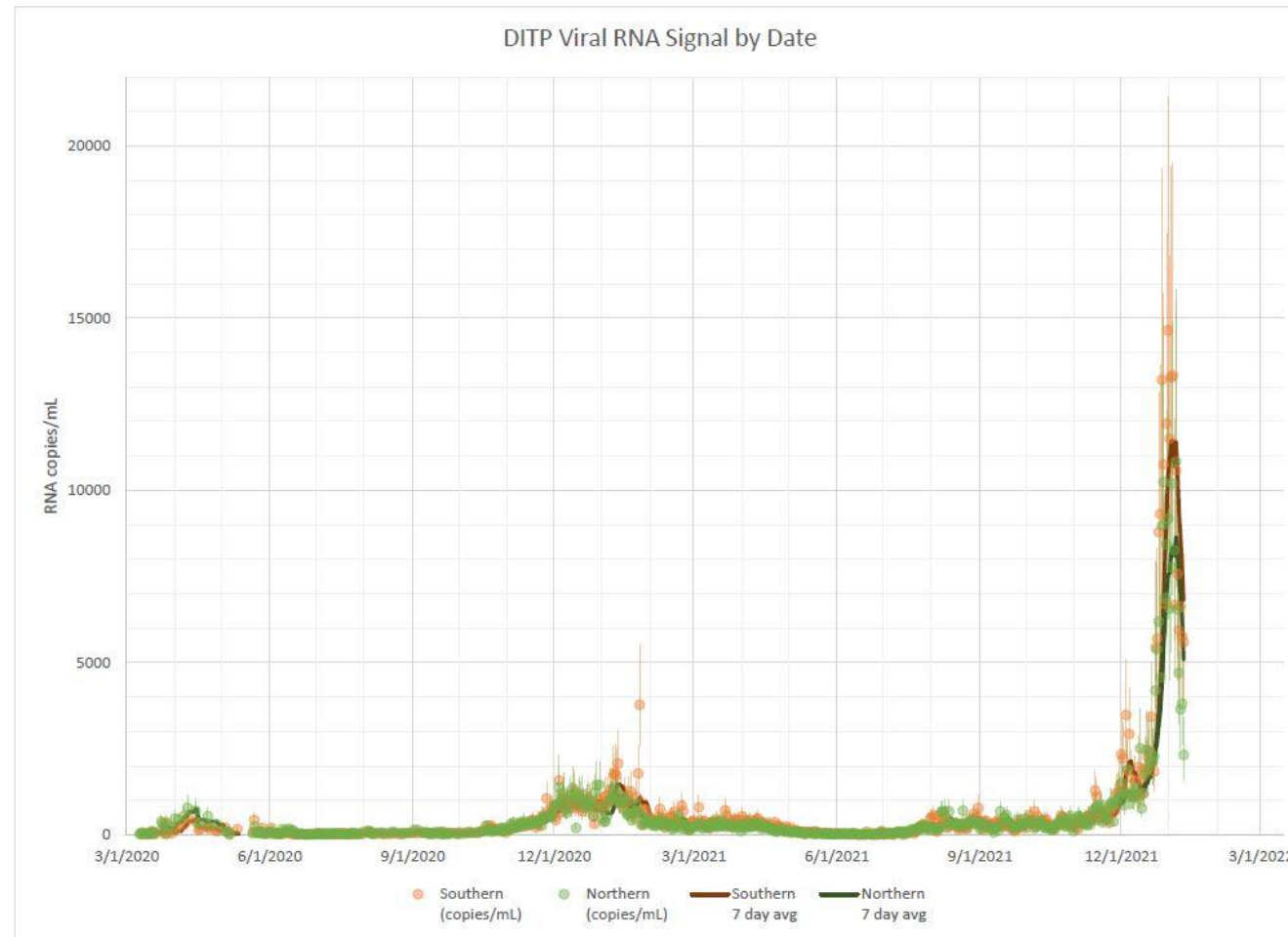
Boston COVID-19 Positivity Rate: 7 Day Moving Average



Massachusetts Water Resources Authority

Wastewater COVID-19 Tracking

Samples submitted through 01/10/2022

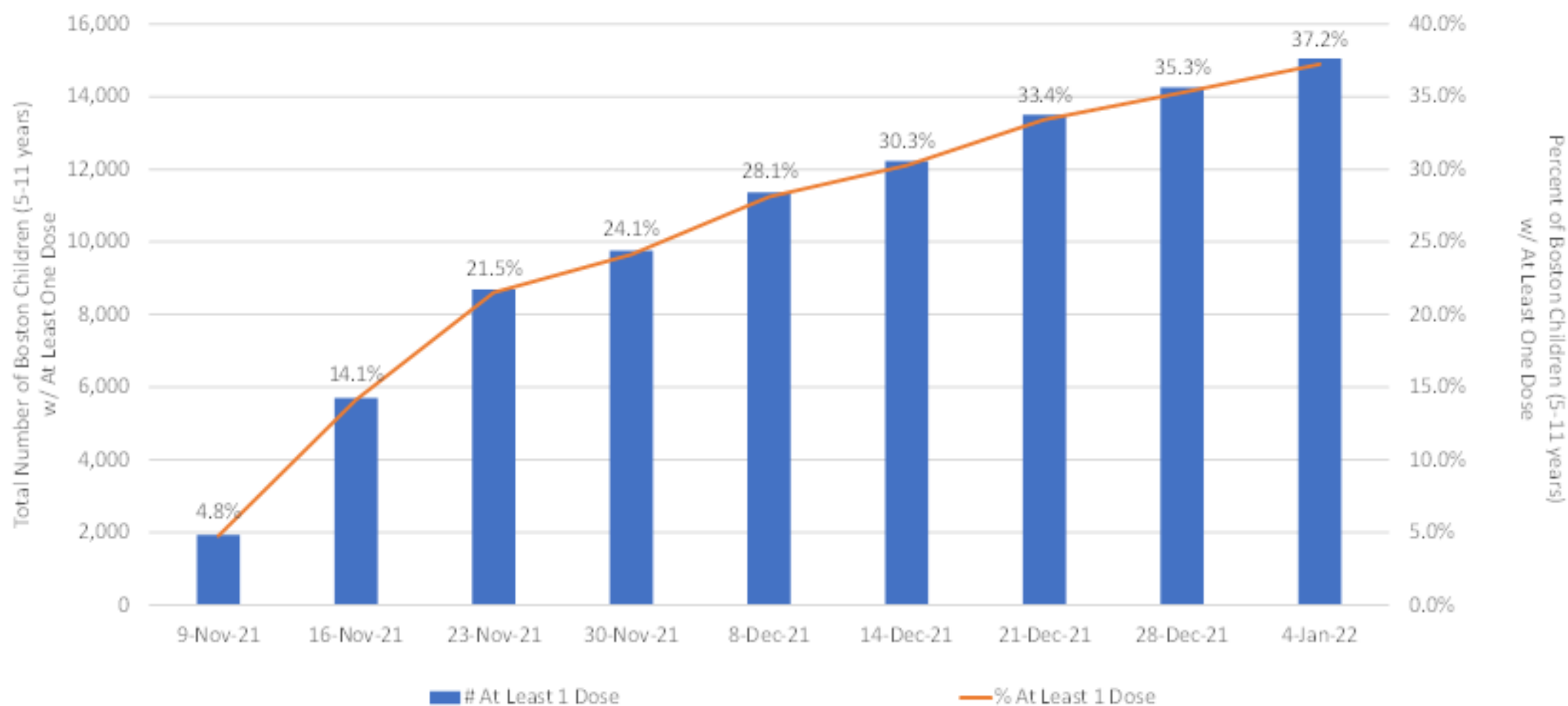


**Boston Residents with At Least 1 COVID-19 Vaccine Dose,
Partially Vaccinated, and Fully Vaccinated, Dec. 15, 2020 - Jan. 4, 2022**

	Number of Boston Residents	Percentage of Boston Total Population
At Least 1 Dose¹	548,079	80.7%
Partially Vaccinated²	77,186	11.4%
Fully Vaccinated³	470,893	69.3%

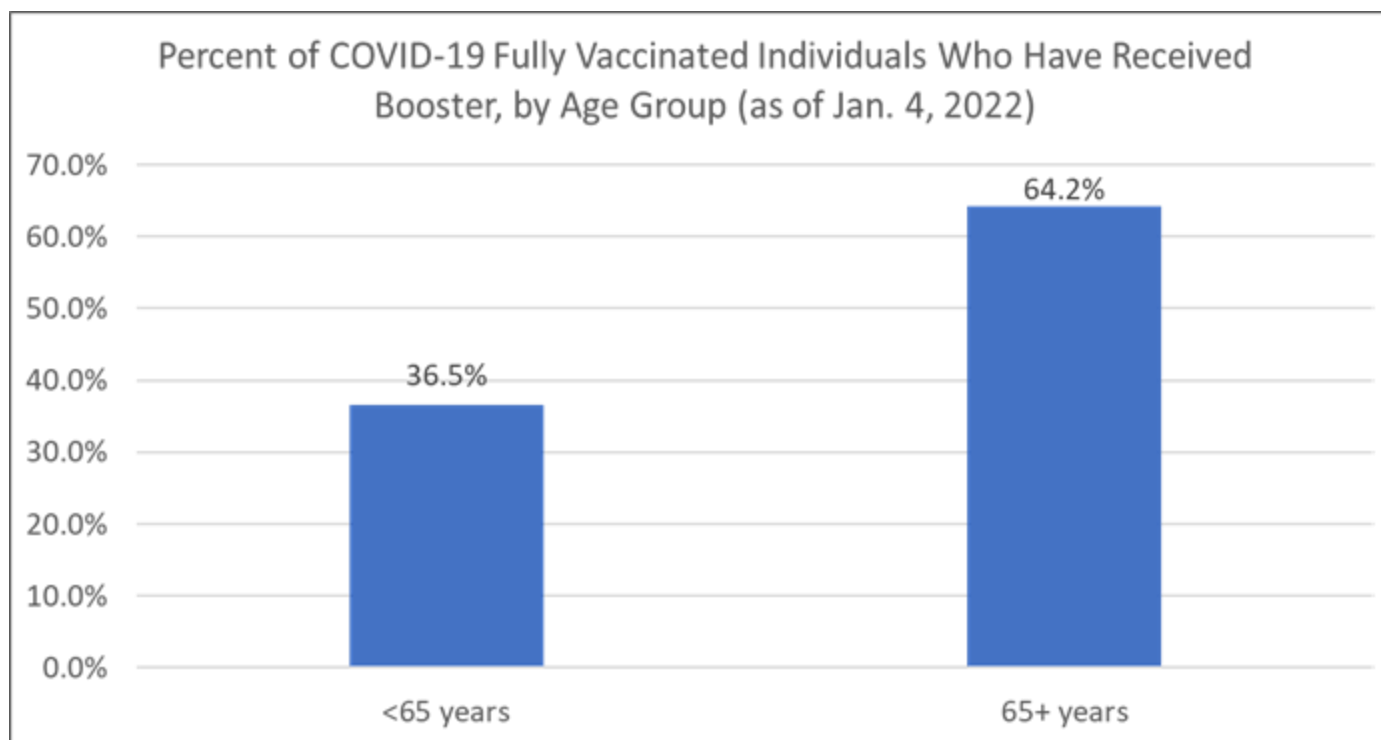
Data Sources: Massachusetts Department of Public Health, Massachusetts Immunization Information System; U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 2018 5-yr estimates (2014-2018).

Total Boston Children Age 5-11 Years with at Least One Dose of COVID-19 Vaccine by Week



Data Sources: Massachusetts Department of Public Health, Massachusetts Immunization Information System; U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 2018 5-yr estimates (2014-2018).

Boosters To Date, Week to Week		
28-Dec-21	4-Jan-22	% Increase
179,600	191,401	6.6%



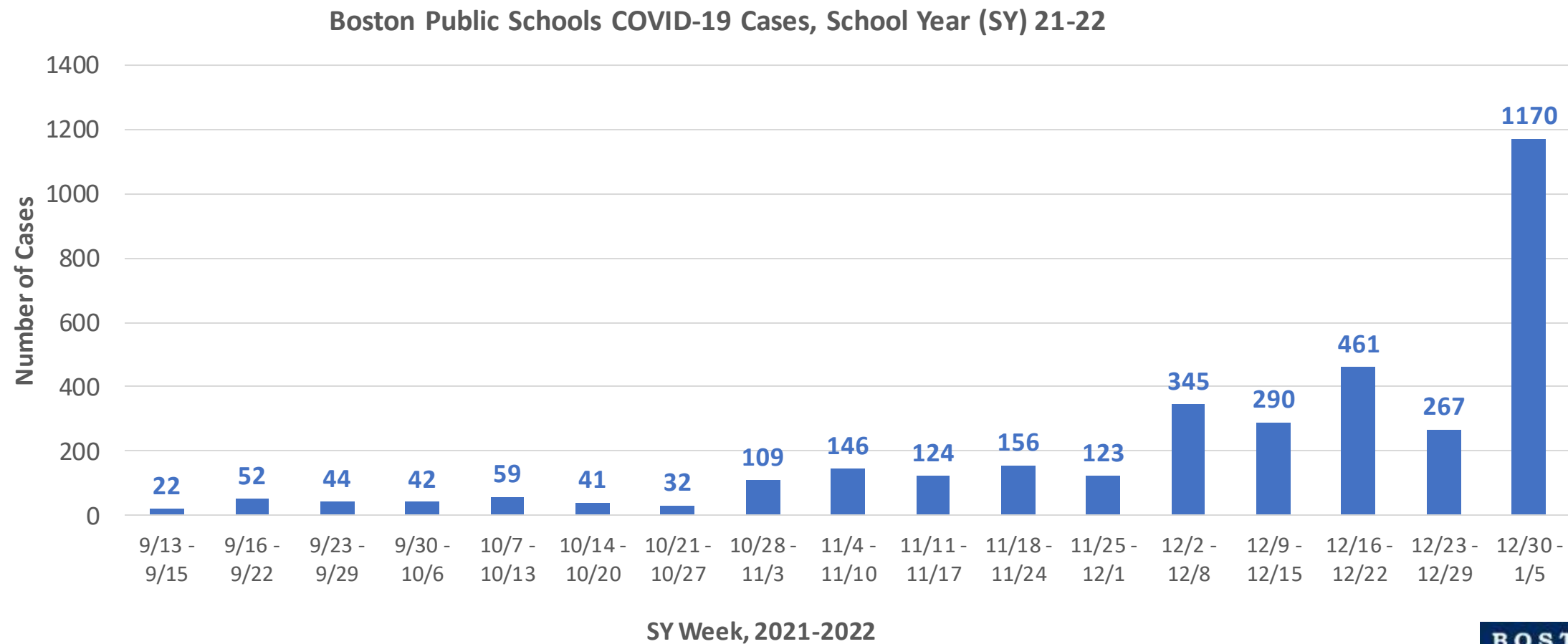
* Booster doses include Johnson & Johnson, in addition to Moderna and Pfizer, as of 12/8. Previously, booster dose counts had only included Moderna and Pfizer.

Data Sources: Massachusetts Department of Public Health, Massachusetts Immunization Information System; U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 2018 5-yr estimates (2014-2018)

Other updates

- Expanded and new test sites
- Ordering more test kits
- More vaccine clinics across the city
- Updated PPE guidance

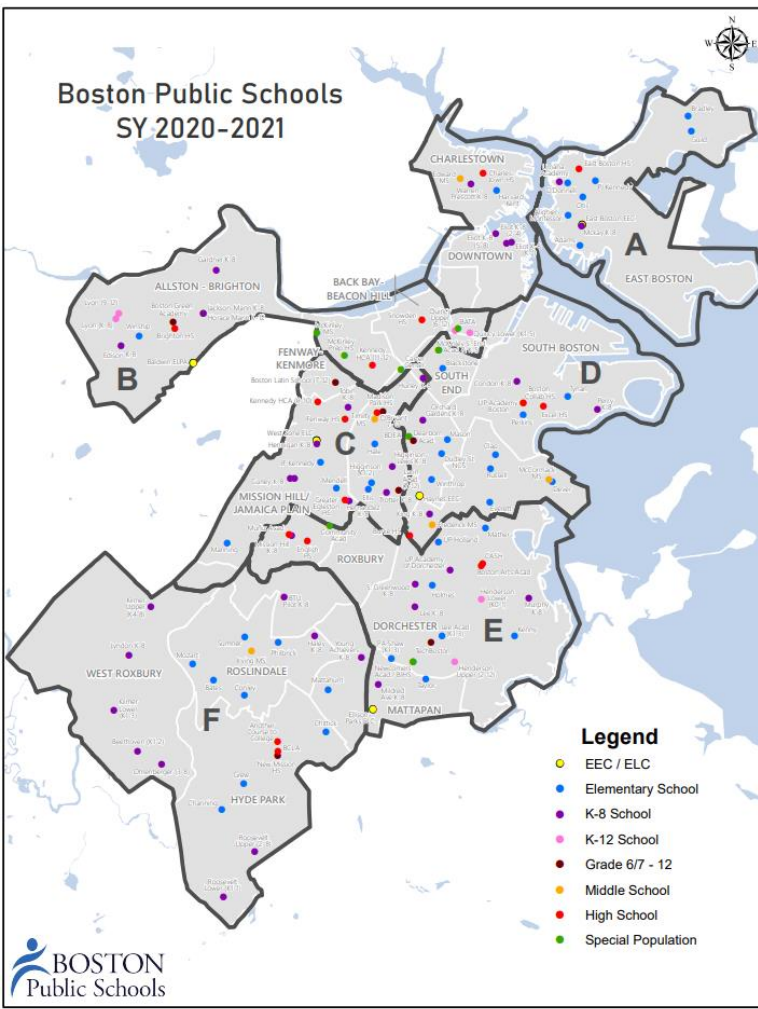
Boston Public Schools: COVID-19 Update



Source: [COVID-19 Health & Safety Information / COVID Reporting \(bostonpublicschools.org\)](https://bostonpublicschools.org/COVID-19-Health-Safety-Information)



Boston Public Schools: COVID-19 Update



School Name	Positive Cases Year to Date	Positive Cases Past Week	Neighborhood
Murphy K-8 School	89	49	Dorchester
Orchard Gardens K-8 School	112	47	Roxbury
Margarita Muniz Academy	48	44	Jamaica Plain
Condon K-8	70	44	South Boston
Quincy Upper School	72	37	Boston
UP Academy Dorchester	55	28	Dorchester
McKinley K-12 School	42	27	Boston
Ellison/Parks Early Education School	46	27	Mattapan
Lee K-8 School	60	27	Dorchester
East Boston High School	41	25	East Boston

Sources: [COVID-19 Health & Safety Information / COVID Reporting \(bostonpublicschools.org\)](https://www.bostonpublicschools.org/COVID-19-Health-Safety-Information/COVID-Reporting)
[School Listings / School Listings \(bostonpublicschools.org\)](https://www.bostonpublicschools.org/School-Listings/School-Listings)



Boston Public Schools: COVID-19 Update

- BPHC's Surge Recommendations
 - Increased frequency of testing for BPS students and staff
 - Enhanced quality of masks and updated PPE guidance
 - Isolation and return to school guidance
 - Coordination of school-based COVID-19 vaccination clinics



FY23 Budget Update

Timothy Harrington

Director, Administration & Finance

January 12, 2022

Budget Schedule

- FY22 Budget
 - RF1 completed on October 29th
 - RF2 scheduled for completion by April 29th
 - Year end close June 30th
- FY23 Budget
 - Maintenance budget submitted on January 3rd
 - Budget proposals to be submitted on January 14th
 - New initiatives, savings opportunities
 - External budgets due to COB February 4th

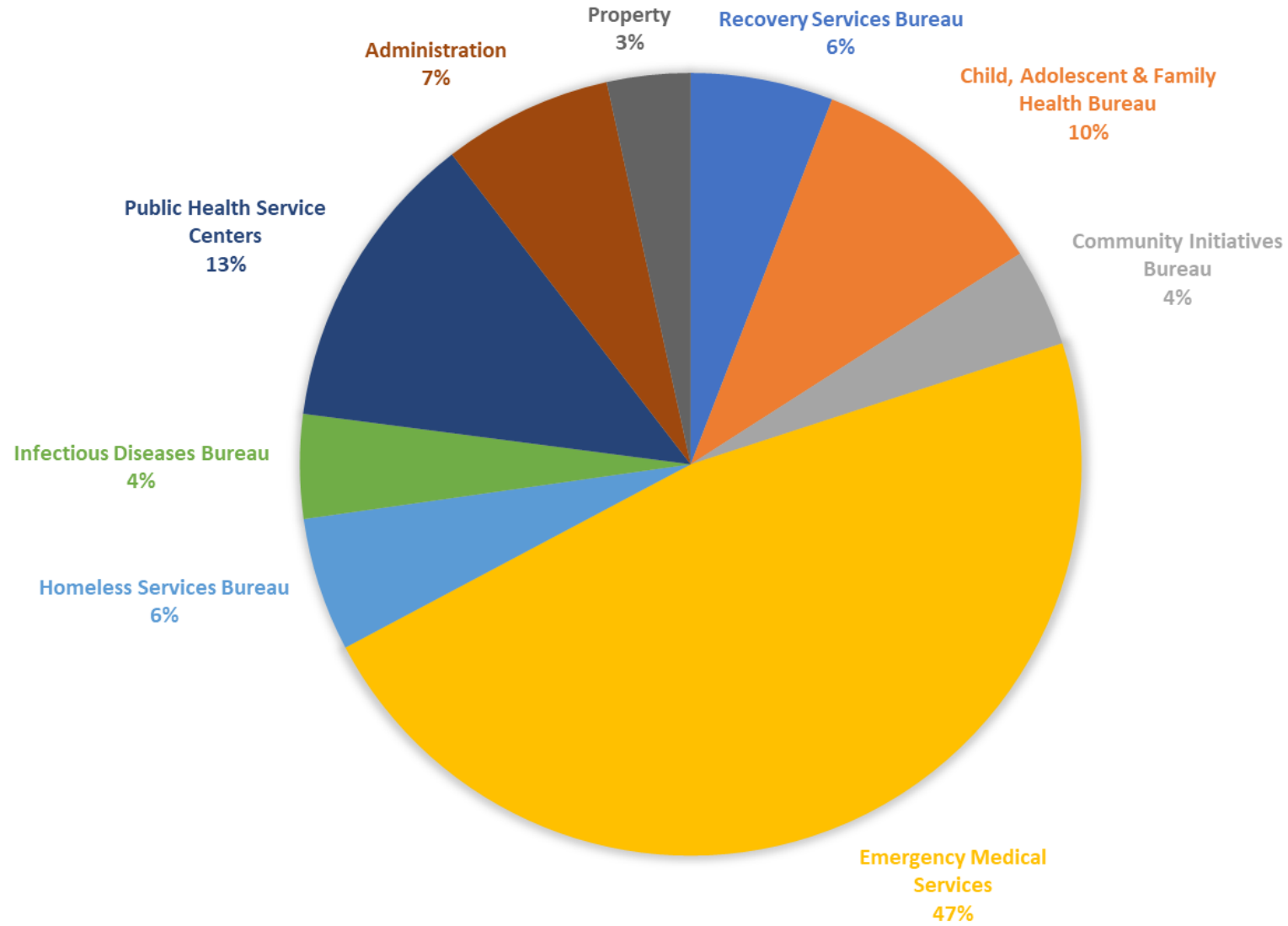
Maintenance Request

- Reflect FY22 operations in terms of FY23 costs
- Review possible realignments during this period
 - Staff transfers and consolidations
 - Streamlining business processes
 - Reduce fragmentation and duplication of effort
 - Enhancing managerial controls

FY23 Maintenance Budget

Bureau	FY22 Adopted	FY23 Proposed	Variance	% Change
ORS/BRS	8,660,208	8,636,804	(23,404)	-0.27%
CAFH	14,566,584	14,755,709	189,125	1.30%
CIB	5,792,593	5,920,234	127,641	2.20%
EMS	67,976,388	69,276,406	1,300,018	1.91%
HSB	7,478,272	8,092,965	614,692	8.22%
IDB	6,143,871	6,302,999	159,127	2.59%
PHSC	18,579,122	18,294,517	(284,605)	-1.53%
ADMIN	10,092,457	10,274,199	181,742	1.80%
PROPERTY	4,850,480	5,061,409	210,929	4.35%
EMS Revenue	35,691,886	37,888,780	2,196,894	6.16%
OPEB	2,250,000	2,250,000	-	0.00%
Total City Appropriation	110,698,090	110,976,461	278,372	0.25%

DISTRIBUTION OF CITY FUNDS BY BUREAU



FY23 Maintenance Internal FTE

Bureau	FY22 Internal FTE	FY23 Internal FTE	Difference
ORS/BRS	79.67	79.67	-
CAFH	100.35	100.25	(0.10)
CIB	48.94	48.94	-
EMS	425.00	425.00	-
HSB	71.70	71.70	-
IDB	33.46	34.21	0.75
PHSC	65.50	65.50	-
ADMIN	113.25	112.60	(0.65)
PROPERTY	23.00	23.00	-
Total	960.87	960.87	-

New Initiatives

- New initiatives/investments
 - Priority for projects that:
 - Will have a significant positive impact relative to the investment;
 - Target the vision of a thriving, healthy, and innovative city
 - COB meets with BPHC twice in the following fiscal year to determine if the approved initiatives have been enacted and if they are meeting the criteria as set forth in the request

Requested New Initiatives - BPHC

Investment Proposals	Operating Amount	Head Count
Increasing Boston's Public Health and Medical Response to Emergencies	\$1,339,919	12
Chief Behavioral Health Officer	\$252,308	1
Desktop Support Tech for IT	\$119,725	1
Total	\$1,711,952	14

Requested New Initiatives – EMS/BRS

Investment Proposals	Operating Amount	Head Count
24 FTEs for EMS	\$2,236,274	24
Epidemiologist for BRS	\$140,305	1
Storage for BRS clients	\$210,120	0
Total	\$2,586,699	25

Savings Proposals

Submitting 15 savings proposals totaling \$1.6 million (5% of our non-personnel budget)

Bureau	Savings Proposals
ADMIN	(50,000)
BRS	(76,017)
CAFH	(172,084)
CIB	(13,394)
EMS	(508,255)
HSB	(75,000)
IDB	(84,468)
PHSC	(393,607)
PROP	(259,171)
Total	(1,631,996)

Capital Budget

- Addresses any urgent Property needs for BPHC campuses or any larger IT and Equipment projects that are not able to be covered in the maintenance budget;
- We must submit our list of proposals to the City by January 28, 2022 and will forward that list to the Board upon completion.

Timeline

10/29/21	FY22 RF1 submitted to the City
01/03/22	FY23 maintenance budget submitted to the City
01/14/22	FY23 proposals submitted to the City
01/28/21	Capital requests submitted to City
02/04/21	FY23 external funds budget due to the City
March	COB OBM budget meetings, board presentation and vote, submit to Mayor
April	Changes resulting from mayoral review
April	FY22 RF2 due to the City
May	City Council hearings
June	Final Board approval
July	All staff meetings to review FY23 budget



Questions?



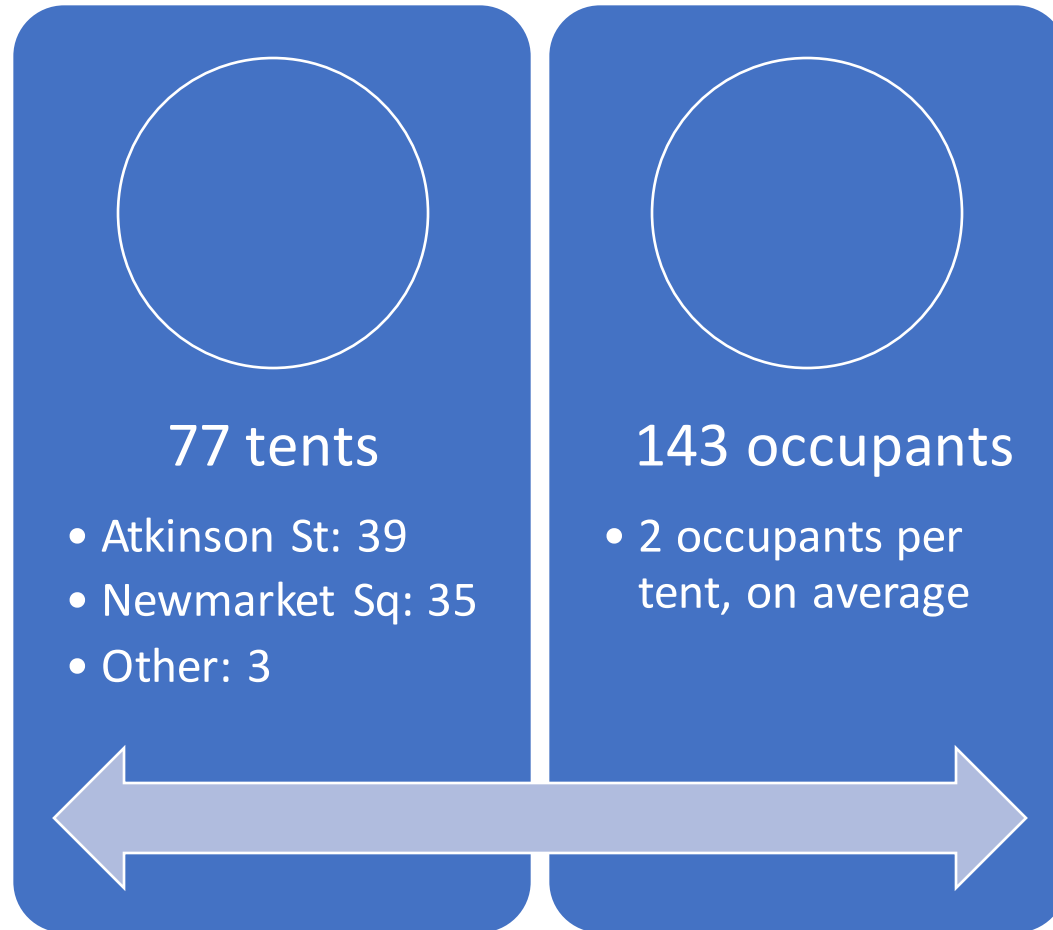
Unsheltered Homelessness and Substance Use Disorder Interventions

January 12, 2022

Dr. Bisola Ojikutu, Executive Director
Devin Larkin, Director, Bureau of Recovery Services
Gerry Thomas, Interim Deputy Director



December Tent Survey



Elonzo S.
Abraham Jr, MED

Atkinson St

Engagement Ctr.

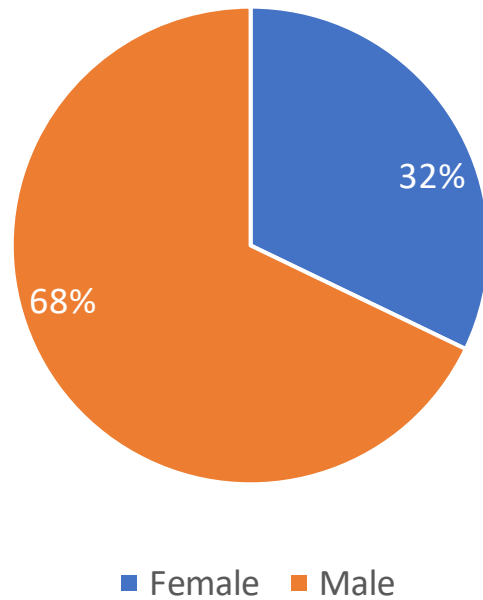
New Market Sq.

The Phoenix

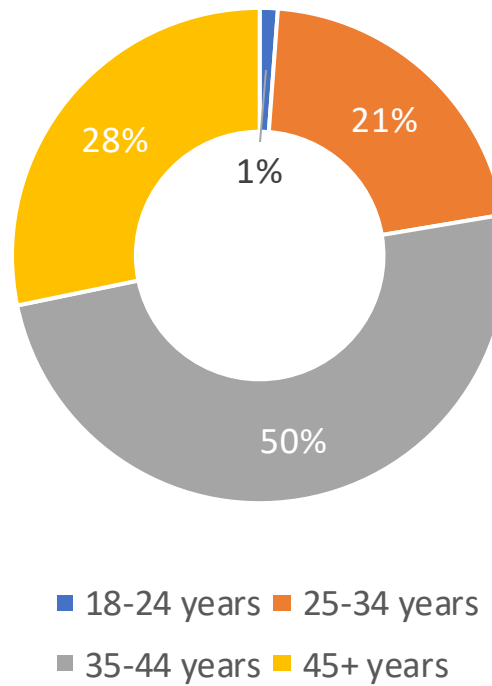
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Survey Respondent Demographics

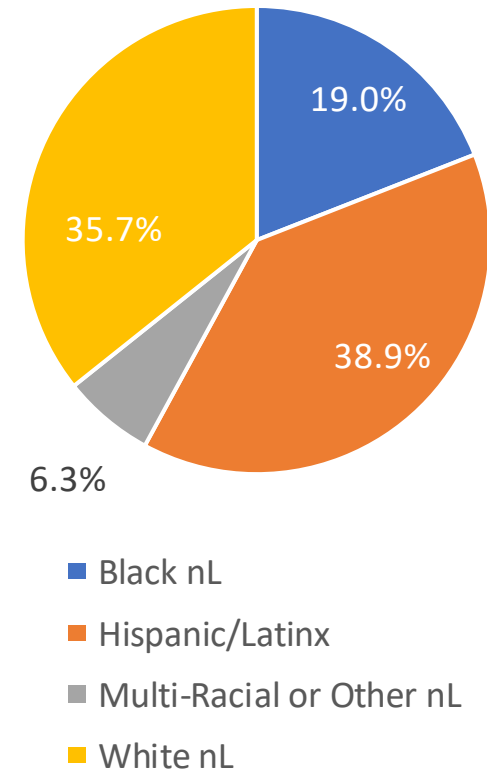
Gender



Age Group
(mean age = 40 years)

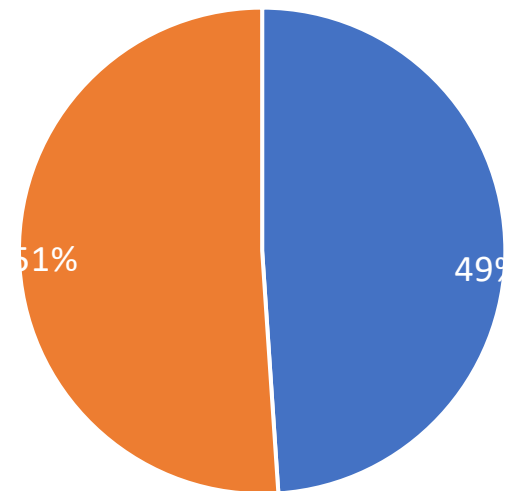


Race/Ethnicity



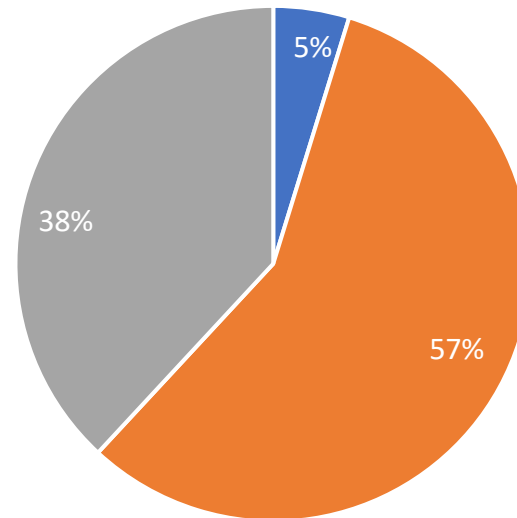
Health Care Access

Has Healthcare Provider



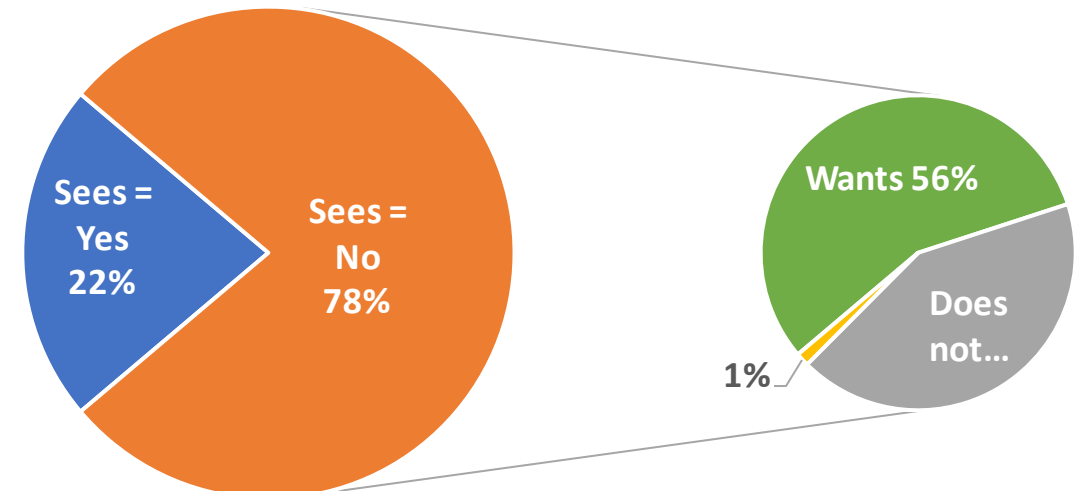
■ No ■ Yes

Types of Opioid Treatment Prescribed



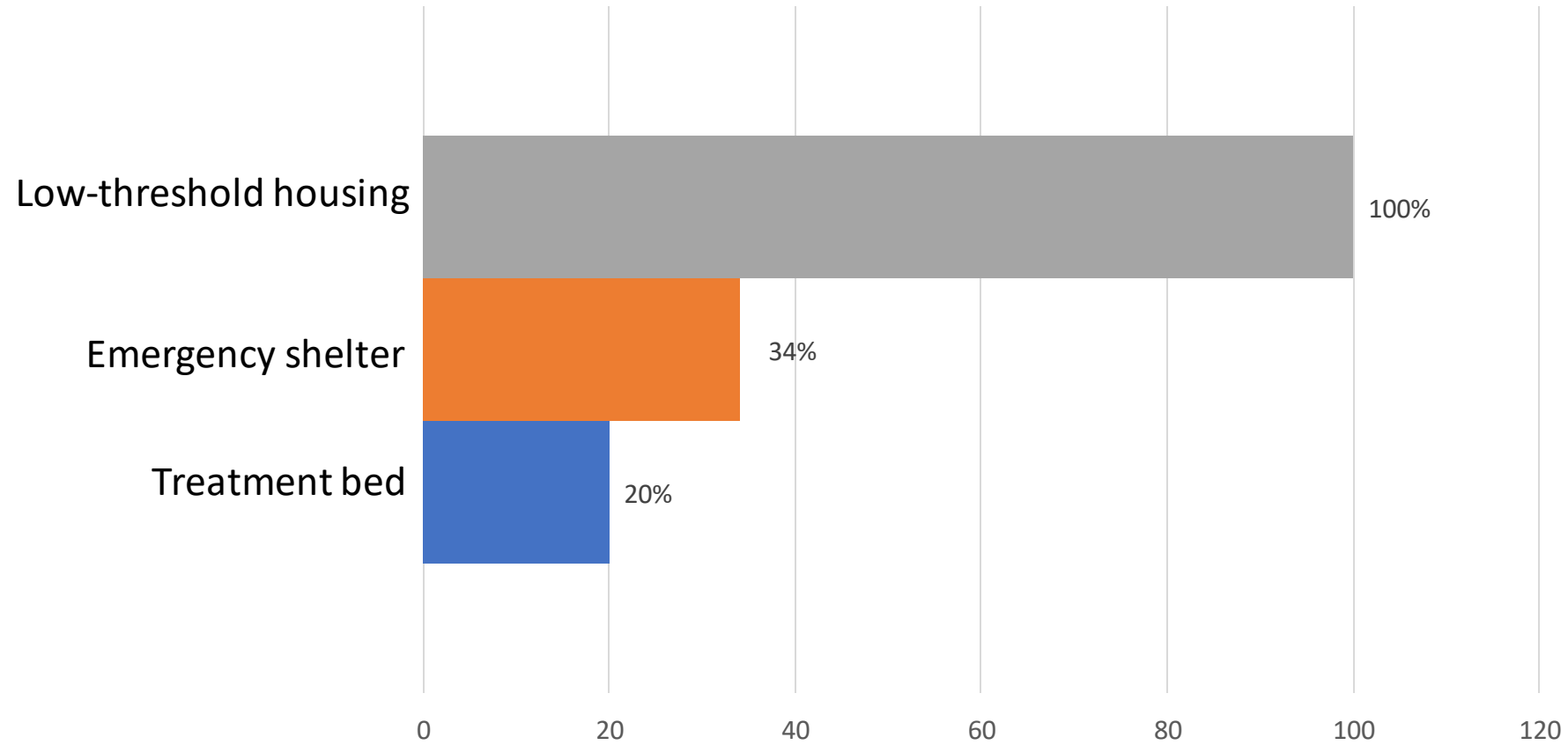
■ Long Acting Suboxone ■ Methadone ■ Suboxone

“Sees” or “Wants to See” a Mental Health Provider



■ Wants a MH Provider* ■ Does not want a MH Provider ■ No response

Housing Preference



New Transitional Housing Resources

Location	Population	Beds 1/12	Provider
Envision (Boston - Mission Hill)	Mass/Cass - men and women	41	Victory
112 Southampton St (Boston - Roxbury)	Mass/Cass - men	25	BPHC
Willows @ Woods (BPHC Site) (Boston - South End/Rox)	Mass/Cass - women	24	St. Francis House + BHCHP
Shattuck - Cottage Community (Boston - JP)	Mass/Cass - men and women	10	Eliot + CCA
Roundhouse (Boston - Roxbury)	Mass/Cass - men and women	40	BMC
Shattuck - Congregate shelter (Boston - JP)	Mass/Cass - co-occurring, men	30	PSI
Total potential transitional housing slots		170+	

BPHC Homeless Services Bureau Shelter Transformation Pilots

Goal:

Use BPHC sites to offer spaces that meet the immediate needs of those experiencing unsheltered homelessness and/or substance use disorder in Mass and Cass

Transformation:

- Dorm style v. congregate bunk setting
- Harm reduction and nursing staff support
- Ability for guests to come and go
- Lockers and storage
- Housing-oriented to resolve homelessness

Sites:

- Dorm 1 @ 112: 25 beds, unsheltered M+C 18+ men
- Willow @ Woods: 24 beds, unsheltered M+C 18+ women



Goodnight

