



Bluebikes Expansion

*Open House at the Egleston Square Library
October 8, 2025*

Today's Open House

1. Provide information about the need for expansion.
2. Share potential sites we have identified.
3. Ask for input on which sites would be best for the neighborhood.



Bike share today

- ▶ 580+ stations (335+ in Boston)
- ▶ 5600 bikes (3200 in Boston), including ~750 ebikes
 - *Note: the electric assist on ebikes shuts off at 18 mph*
- ▶ Publicly owned, operating in 13 municipalities
 - Lyft = operator
 - BCBS of MA = title sponsor
 - Municipalities = owners



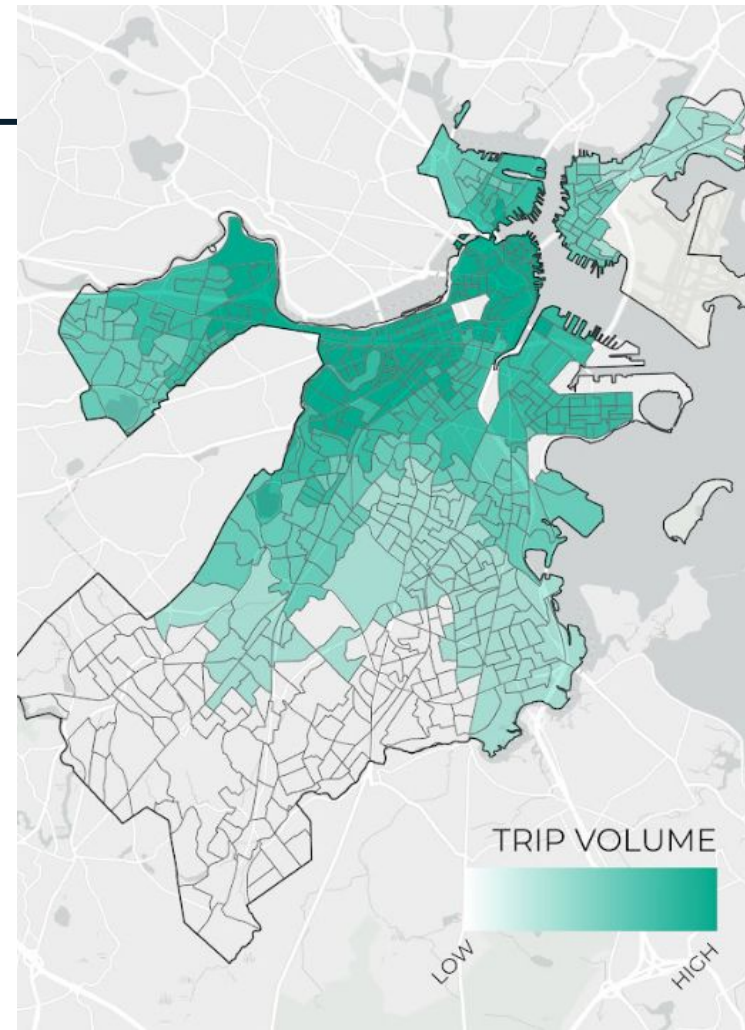
Boston residents ride for less with the Boston Bikes Pass



- ▶ Long-time income-eligible pass options:
 - \$50/year or \$5/month
- ▶ Discounts for Boston residents
 - \$5/year for income-eligible residents
 - \$60/year for new members (have not had an annual membership in the last three years)

Millions of trips taken

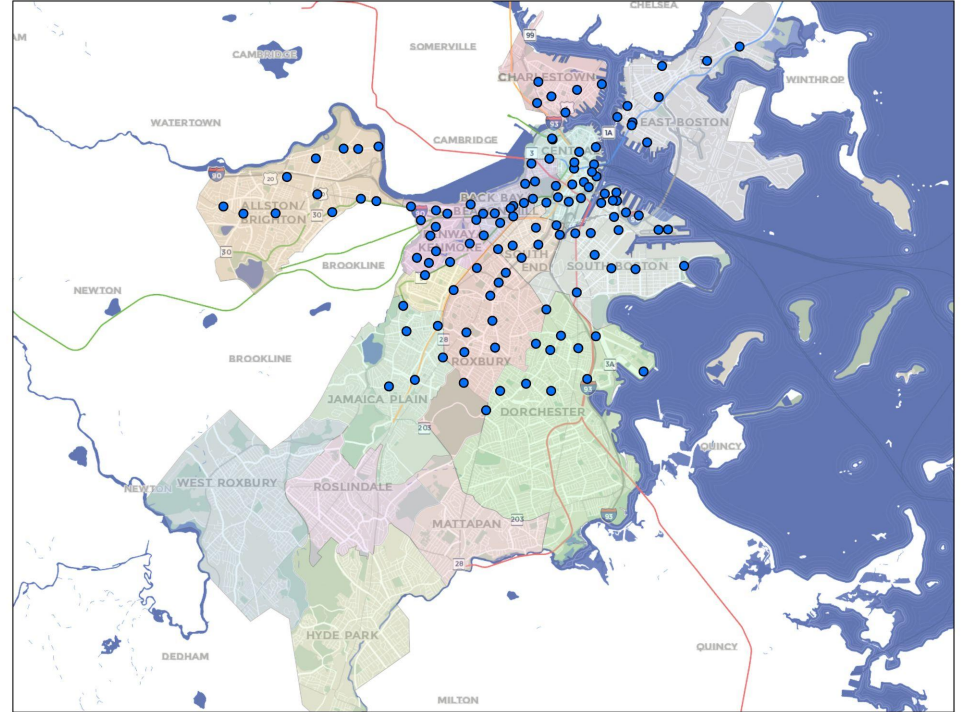
- ▶ Over **2.6 million trips** were taken on Bluebikes *just in Boston* in 2024 (and over 4.7 million systemwide). This number increases each year as we expand our system.
- ▶ **11%** of those trips started in Dorchester, JP, Mattapan, or Roxbury.



In Boston, bike share is (almost) everywhere!

- ▶ Go Boston 2030 goal: Every household within 10-minute walk of bike share.

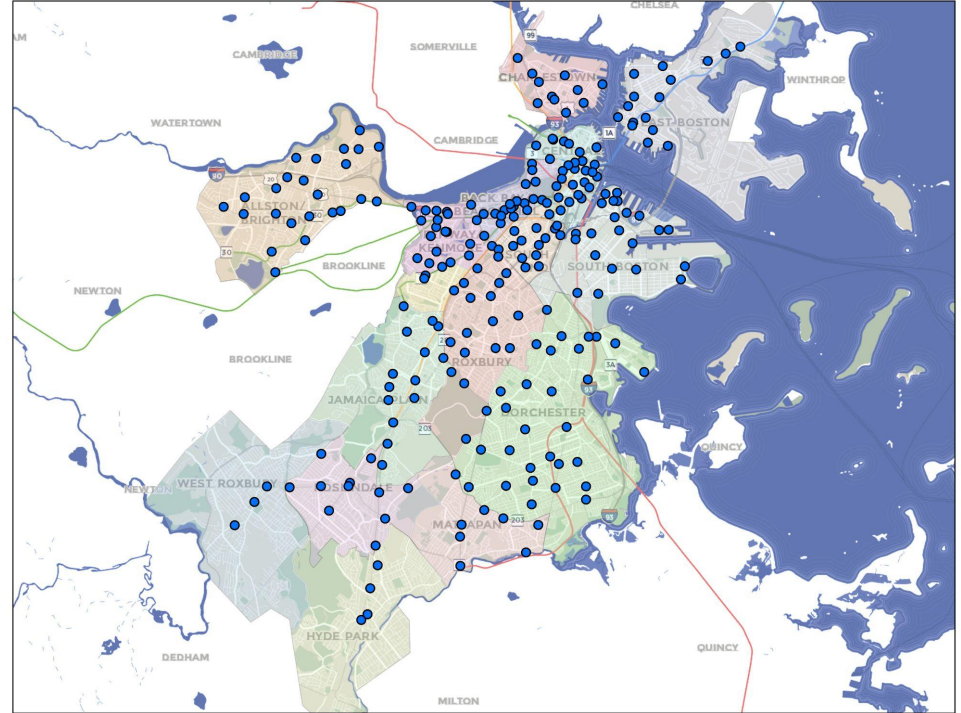
BOSTON BLUEBIKES STATIONS IN 2017



In Boston, bike share is (almost) everywhere!

- ▶ Today Bluebikes is in every neighborhood.
- ▶ ~89% of households are within a 10-minute walk.

BOSTON BLUEBIKES STATIONS TODAY



Expanding the system

100 new stations installed (~40% increase in Boston)

Infill Stations

Enhancing Service in High Demand Areas

Serving Latent Demand

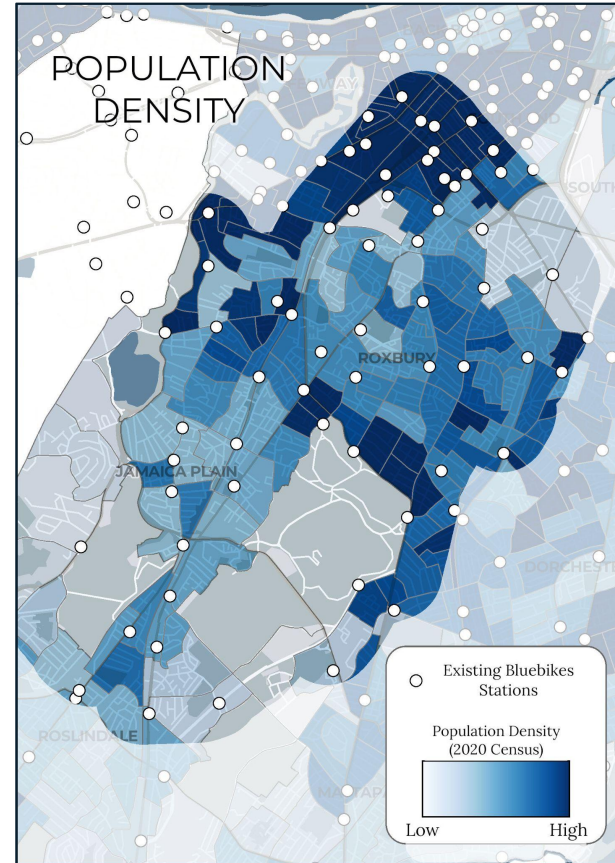
Filling Gaps in the Network

Expansion Stations

Increasing Access to the Network

Strengthening Edges of Current Network

Analyzing the need: Population and job density

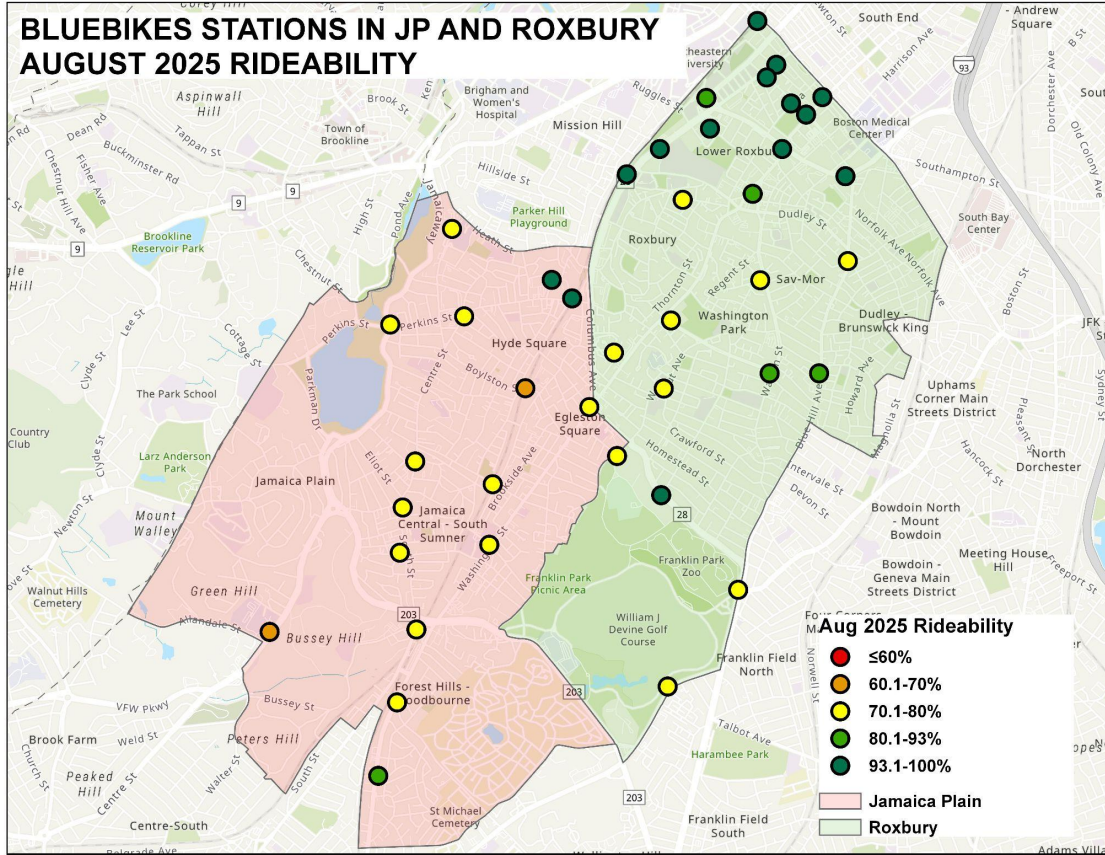


Analyzing the need: Rideability



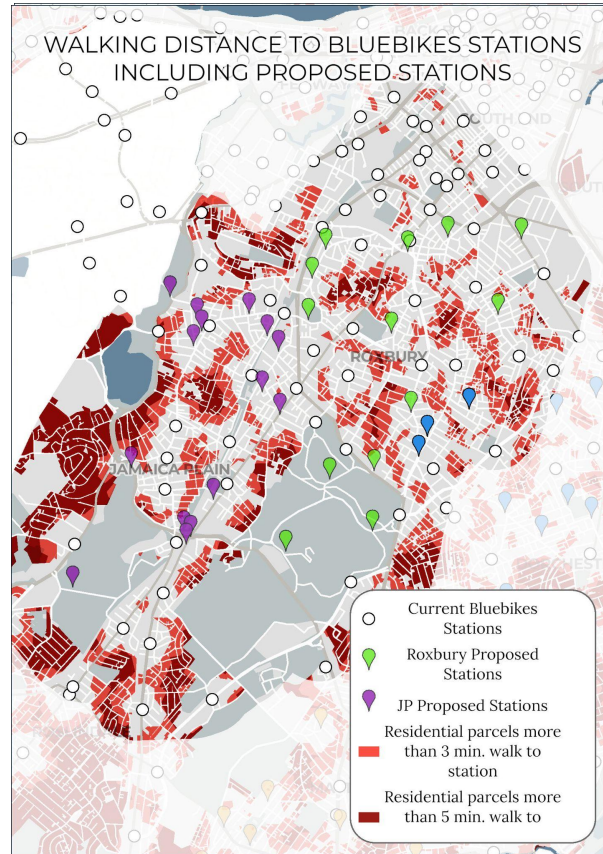
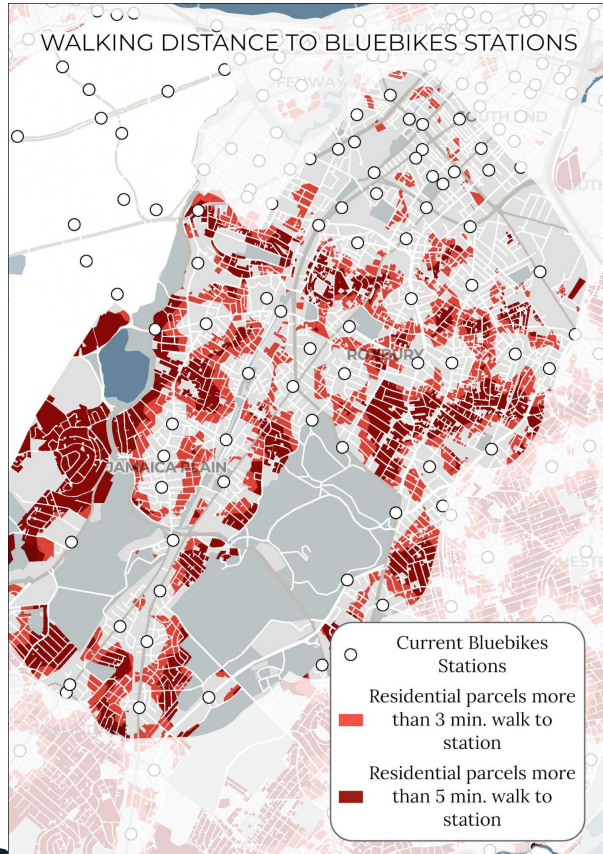
- ▶ “Rideability” is an metric of the availability of bikes and docks.
- ▶ Our operator is required to keep the system rideable 93% of the time, averaged across all stations in Boston each month.

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- ▶ In August, 2/3 of stations in JP and Roxbury were below the Citywide standard for rideability (93%)
- ▶ Two stations were rideable less than 70% of the time

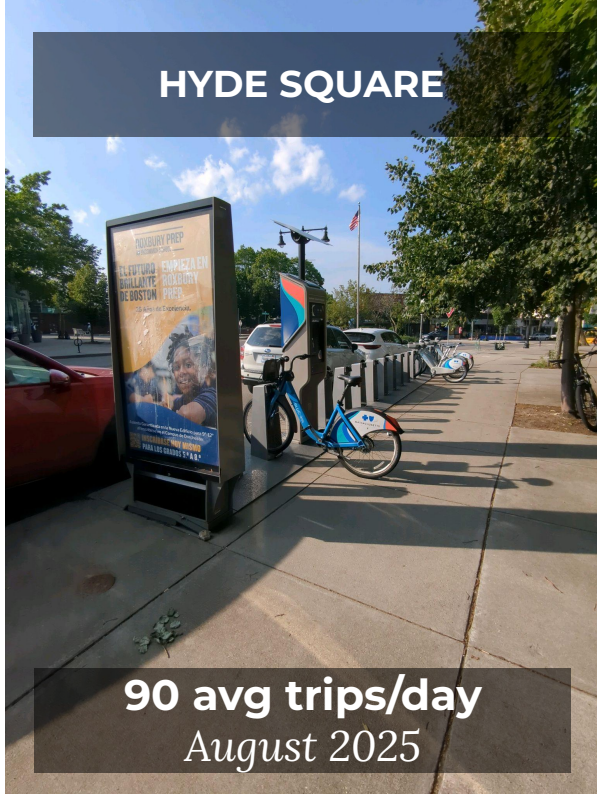
Analyzing the need: Walking distance



An increase in station density will expand access and improve reliability at existing stations.
(Note, we won't install all of the proposed new stations!)

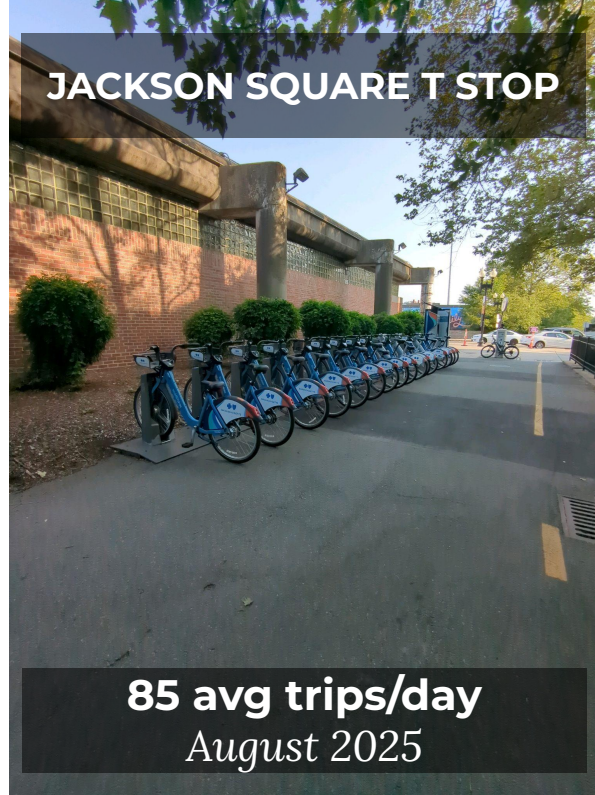
Trips Starting or Ending in JP

HYDE SQUARE



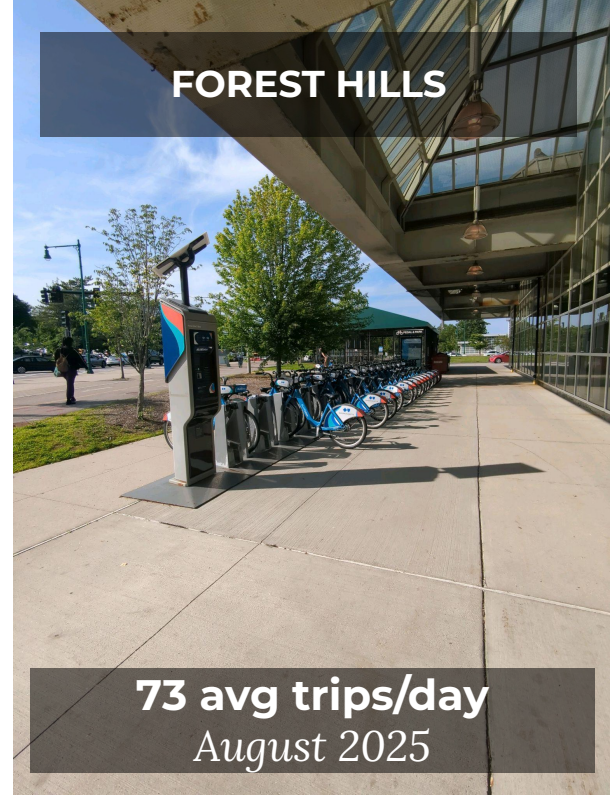
90 avg trips/day
August 2025

JACKSON SQUARE T STOP



85 avg trips/day
August 2025

FOREST HILLS

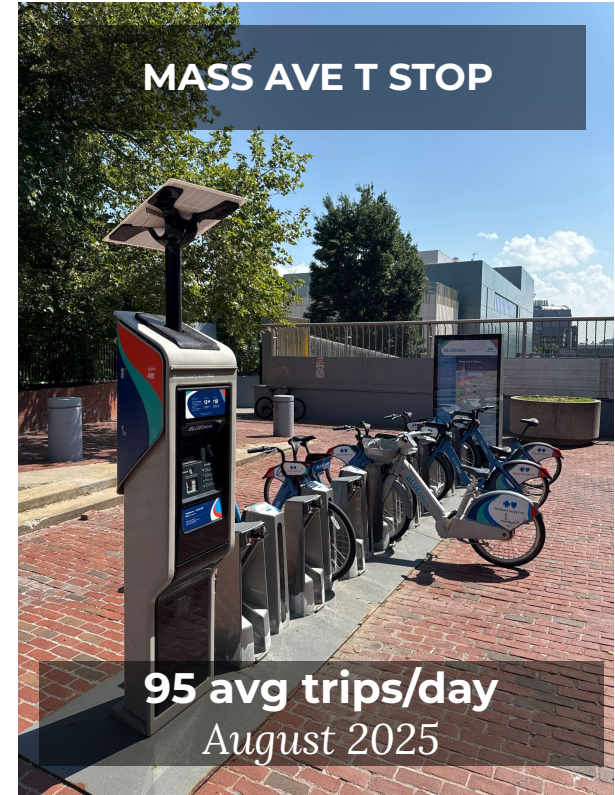
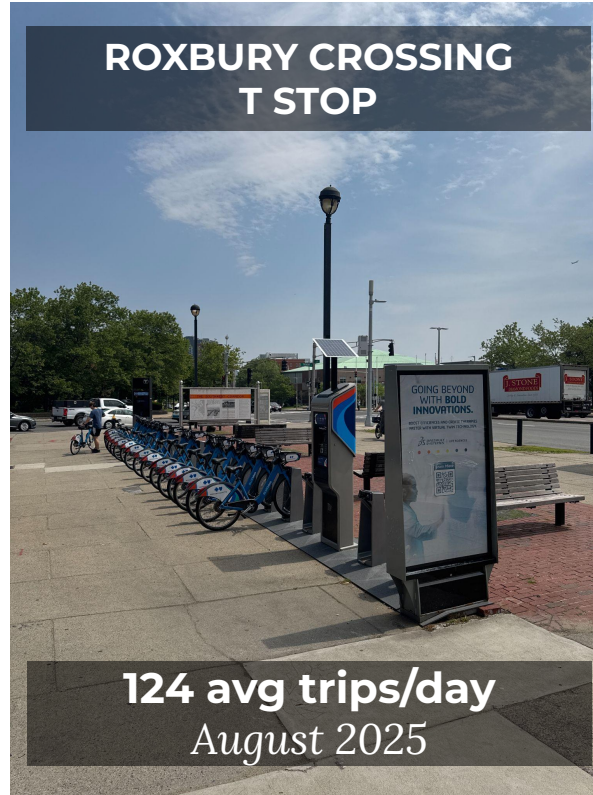
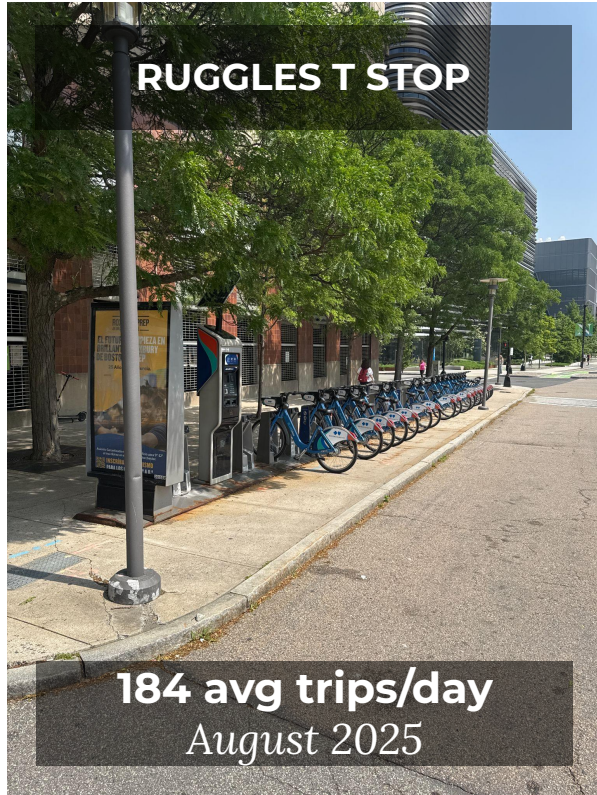


73 avg trips/day
August 2025

Trips Starting or Ending in JP

STATION	AVERAGE TRIPS/DAY AUG 2025
Hyde Square - Centre St at Perkins St	90
Jackson Square T Stop	85
Forest Hills	73
Stony Brook T Stop	70
Green Street T Stop - Green St at Amory St	61
Williams St at Washington St	50
Centre St at Seaverns Ave	39
Curtis Hall - South St at Centre St	36
S Huntington Ave at Heath St	35
Egleston Square - Atherton St at Washington St	30
Jamaicaway at Perkins St	30
Martha Eliot Health Center	27
Jamaica St at South St	22
Hyde Park Ave at Walk Hill St	14
Centre St at Allandale St	10
Northbourne Rd at Hyde Park Ave	7

Trips Starting or Ending in Roxbury



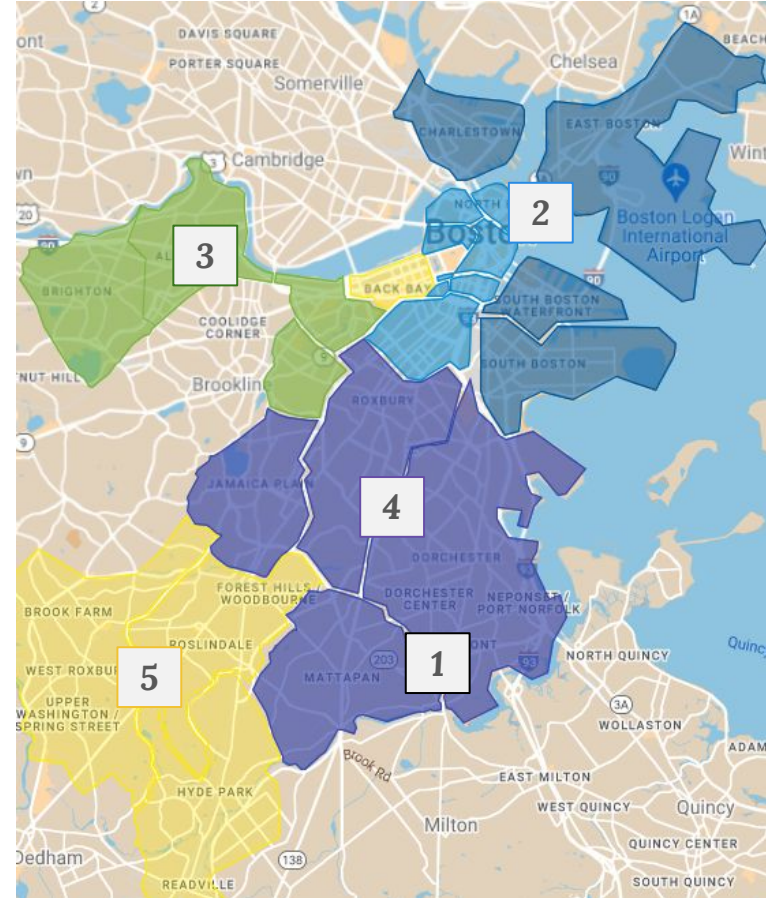
Trips Starting or Ending in Roxbury

STATION	AVERAGE TRIPS/DAY AUG 2025
Ruggles T Stop - Columbus Ave at Melnea Cass Blvd	184
Roxbury Crossing T Stop - Columbus Ave at Tremont St	124
Mass Ave T Station	95
Washington St at Northampton St	77
Tremont St at Northampton St	68
Nubian Square - Bolling Building	50
MLK Blvd at Washington St	46
Northampton St at Fellows St	44
Washington St at Melnea Cass Blvd	38
Bartlett St at John Elliot Sq	36
Washington St at Lenox St	36
Lenox St at Kendall St	36
Dudley Town Common - Mt Pleasant Ave at Blue Hill Ave	31
Walnut Ave at Warren St	27
Flat 9 at Whittier	20
Roxbury YMCA - Warren St at MLK Blvd	19
NCAAA - Walnut Ave at Crawford St	18
Walnut Ave at School St	18
Shawmut Ave at Lenox St	17
Franklin Park Zoo - Franklin Park Rd at Blue Hill Ave	15
Circuit Drive at American Legion Hwy	14
Franklin Park - Seaver St at Humboldt Ave	13
Whittier St Health Center	13
The Dimock Center	10
Blue Hill Ave at Southwood St	10

We're growing in phases

We are adding new stations in phases.

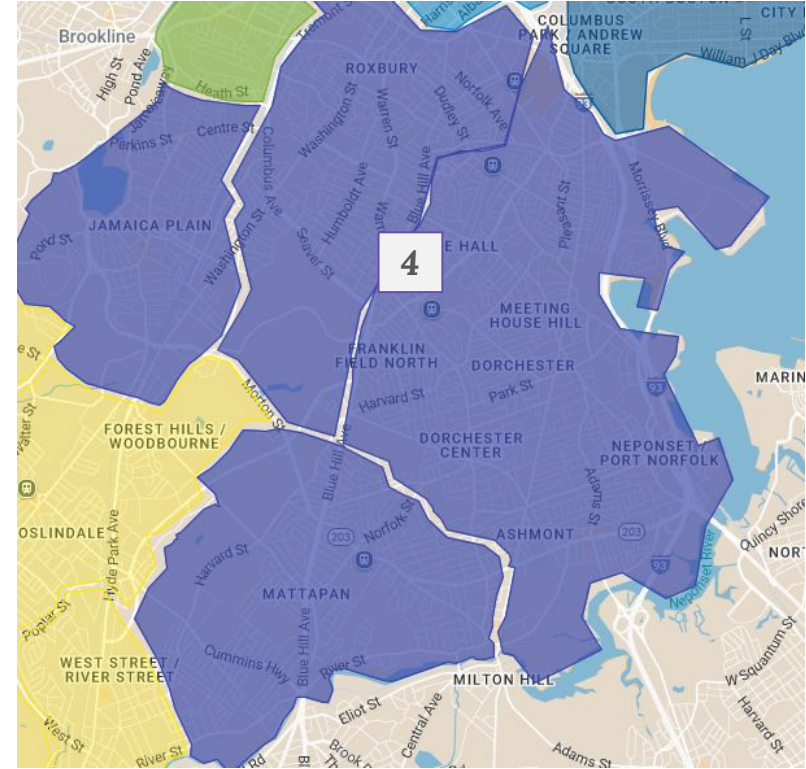
- ▶ In **Phase 1**, we added 8 new stations in Mattapan and Dorchester in 2023 to support the Red Line shutdown.
- ▶ In **Phase 2-3**, we added 55 new stations.
- ▶ In **Phase 4**, we aim to add 20 new stations.
- ▶ In **Phase 5**, we aim to add up to 20 new stations.



Phase 4

Dorchester, JP, Mattapan, Roxbury

- ▶ Sep - Oct 2025 | Community engagement
- ▶ Jan 2026 | Installation begins
 - Dorchester: 2-4 new stations
 - Jamaica Plain: 2-4 new stations
 - Mattapan: 2-5 new stations
 - Roxbury: 3-7 new stations



Community engagement for this phase

- ▶ 4 Open Houses
 - October 1, Marshall Community Center
 - October 8, Egleston Square Library (tonight!)
 - October 28, Mattapan Library
 - October 30, virtual
(tinyurl.com/expansion-oct)
- ▶ Online Surveys
(boston.gov/bike-share-survey)
 - We've posted flyers in the neighborhood and signs at each site directing people to the surveys.

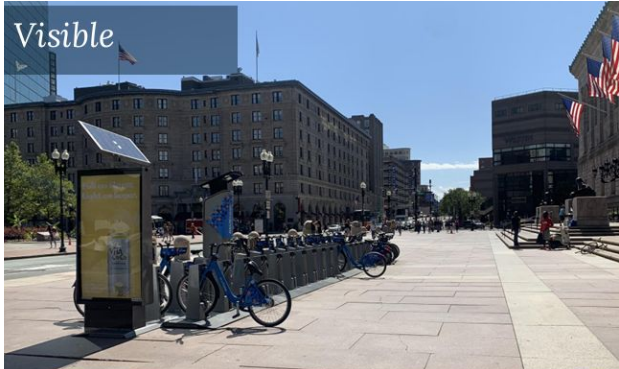


What's next for us?

- ▶ Consider all comments from Open Houses, surveys, and email
- ▶ Narrow down our list of sites
- ▶ Finalize locations and get permits

Station siting requirements

Good locations are...



Off-Street: Sidewalks, Plazas

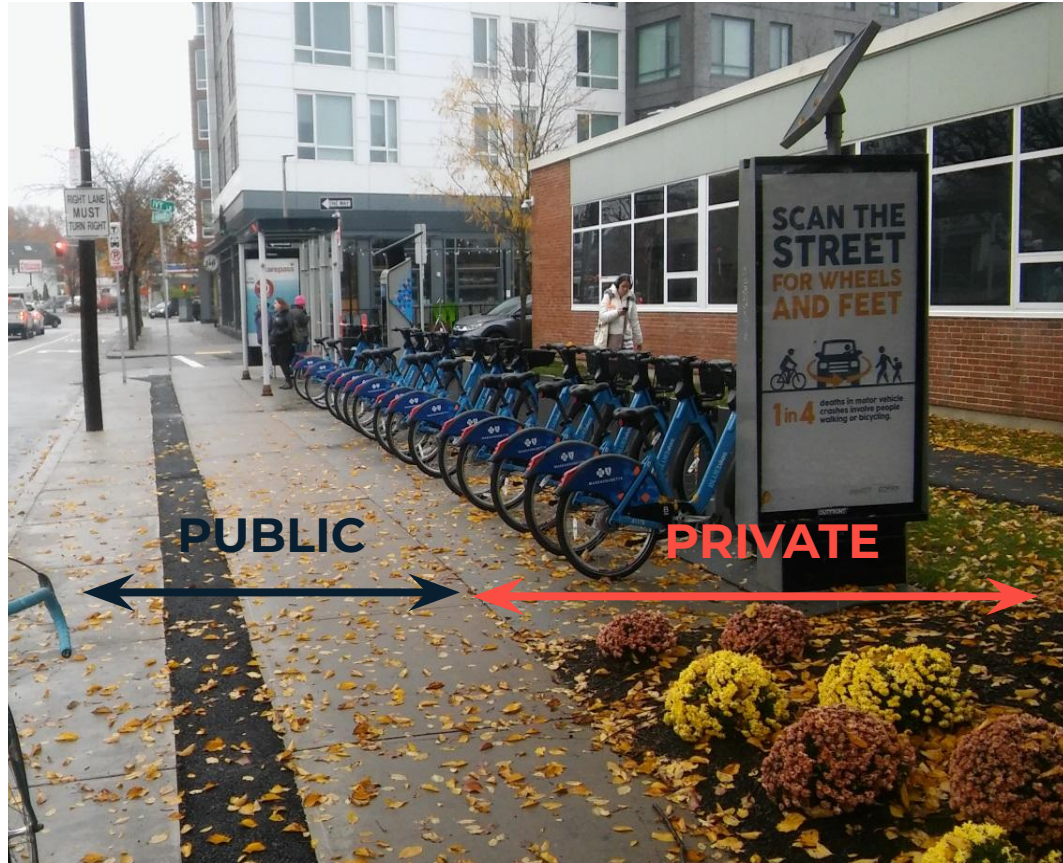


In-Street: Parking Lanes

A station with parking for 15 bikes takes the same space as two cars



Private Property



Other Agencies and Departments

*MBTA and DCR will sometimes host our stations
Agencies/departments must agree and sign legal documents*



Review potential sites

Open House

- ▶ Sites are arranged by neighborhood.
- ▶ Visit each table to review and give comments.
- ▶ Staff are available to answer questions

Survey(s)

- ▶ You can share comments by survey through the end of October. Spread the word!

boston.gov/bike-share-survey

Review sites and share your thoughts

- ▶ *Where do you travel to/from in this neighborhood?*
- ▶ *What do you like/dislike about the site?*
- ▶ *What do you know about the site that we might not know?*

Ideas? Questions? Comments?

- ▶ boston.gov/bike-share-expansion
- ▶ bikeshare@boston.gov