

# A Greenway for Boston: Improving Open Space & Transit Equity Through the City

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## Why a New Greenway, and Where Would It Go?

A new multi-use bike and pedestrian path that would stretch from Charlestown to Mattapan, and that would have crosstown branches connecting east-west neighborhoods, would carry a number of benefits. For one, it could promote “green” transit options for Boston’s residents and workers—in particular, it could encourage bike-based commutes to and from downtown. This primarily north-south greenway could also serve to maximize road infrastructure, and adjacent vacant land, in accommodating multi-modal use on such major city corridors as Atlantic Avenue, Columbia Road, and Washington Street.

