

# 2020 Fenway CDC Impact

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Fenway Community Development Corporation Improving Lives and Building Community

## Housing Development & Preservation

650 residents lived in safe, affordable homes



- 27 affordable homes planned at 72 Burbank Street
  Fenway CDC's first ground-up development in two decades
- 97 homes substantially renovated at Newcastle Saranac
- 8 other residential properties maintained to protect residents from Covid-19

## Fenway Fair Foods 1,674 bags (25,110 lbs) of fresh

fruits, vegetables, and bread were distributed to food-insecure residents



#### **Community and Resident Services**

**3,459** services improved the economic and social well-being of 269 residents



- 1,370 recreational services and 1,353 support services helped residents live healthier
- 263 people obtained healthcare services
- 240 people received food
- 65 people attended Fensgiving Grab-and-Go
- 60 people attended Halloween Grab-and-Go
- 58 people accessed social benefits & health insurance
- 50 people received housing services
- 15 people joined Healthy Habits program

# Education & Workforce Development

**172** services improved the financial stability of residents



- Partnerships with Northeastern University, Wentworth Institute of Technology, and Cambridge College created IT/Technical career pathways for residents
- 57 people benefitted from education and employment assistance
- 50 people received financial coaching
- 42 people had job skills training
- 20 people obtained education certificates



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#### **Food Access Programs**

Collaborated with **8** Non-Profits during Covid-19 Pandemic to serve residents with food insecurity



Boston Life Boat: Introduced Fair Foods and contributed 1,000 pounds of food weekly. Homes for Families: Distributed food to 120 homeless families. Fair Foods: Provided fundraising support to sustain their operations serving over 8,000 families weekly.

**Fenway Cares:** Partnered with 5 non-profits to provide mutual aid & produce to families in need.

### Promoted **30** Local Businesses



Fenway CDC helped 30 businesses, including restaurants affected by Covid-19 pandemic. We reached local customers

through our e-news by encouraging 1,800 stakeholders to eat and shop locally.

#### Virtual 3rd Fenway Porchfest

**645+** community members viewed or participated in Fenway's music festival video, organized by Fenway CDC, Fenway Alliance, and Fenway Civic Association



**\$200,000** in Community Investment Tax Credits leveraged to invest in our community

#### **Building Stronger Neighborhood**

**468** community engagements prevented homelessness, promoted housing affordability, and fostered cohesive neighborhood development



#### **Community Organizing Committee**

- 11 meetings attended by 13 attendees
- 160+ postcards sent to MA Attorney General and 11 residents advocated to protect residents of Our Lady's Guild House and extend Eviction Moratorium
- 150+ constituents met to discuss City and State housing policies, racial justice, and economic equity which impacted policy development
- 12,000 points-of-contact within the Fenway neighborhood promoted the 2020 Census
- 500+ points-of-contact promoted voter registration and participation in the 2020 Elections

#### Fenway's Urban Village Committee (UVC)

 25 meetings attended by UVC, residents, developers, and City Officials to discuss impact of 7 developments on Fenway residents

#### **Communicate and Connect Group**

 15 members discussed issues and brought mental health and social service providers to individuals experiencing homelessness and substance users

#### **Neighborhood Improvement Committee (NIC)**

 35 residents and NIC discussed homelessness prevention, Berklee plans, and safety measures

#### **Policy and Legislative Matters**

- 15 meetings with coalitions to prioritize housing policy and legislation at City and State level
- 6 meetings with elected officials to discuss housing, transportation, and budget needs for residents