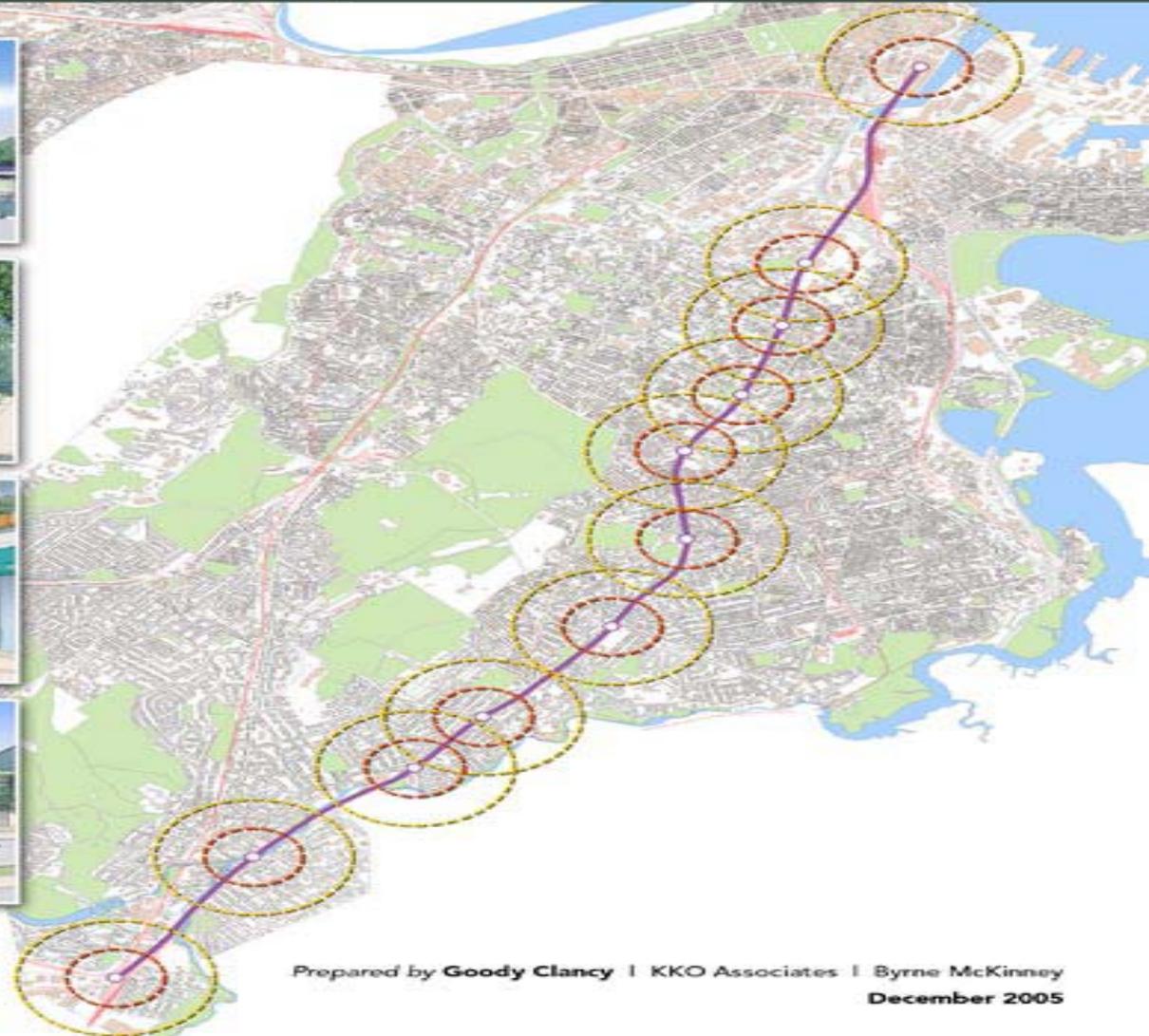


# Boston's Newest *Smart Growth* Corridor

A COLLABORATIVE VISION FOR THE FAIRMOUNT/INDIGO LINE

The Fairmount/Indigo Line  
CDC COLLABORATIVE

Dorchester Bay Economic Development Corporation | Codman Square Neighborhood Development Corporation  
Mattapan Community Development Corporation | Southwest Boston Community Development Corporation



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# Fairmount Advocacy Chronology

## 1999

- Greater Four Corners Action Coalition makes decision to start campaign. Wants other communities involved, forms a coalition.

## 2000

- Campaign kicked off with rally at Washington & Erie. Over 150 people in attendance, including local elected officials and press.
- Formal petition send to MBTA General Manager with over 1600 signatures in attachment.
  - MBTA officials tour site at Four Corners.

## 2001

- MBTA forms Fairmount Line Advisory Committee.
- First joint communities meeting held in Four Corners to meet consultants (KKO) commissioned to do a feasibility study and start that process.

## 2002

- Study released recommending four stops along the line. MBTA commits to building the stations at GFCAC annual Meeting in October.

## 2005-2006

- Money set aside for the planning, design and construction of Four Corner station.
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# Fairmount Rally

Four Corners Stop 2006

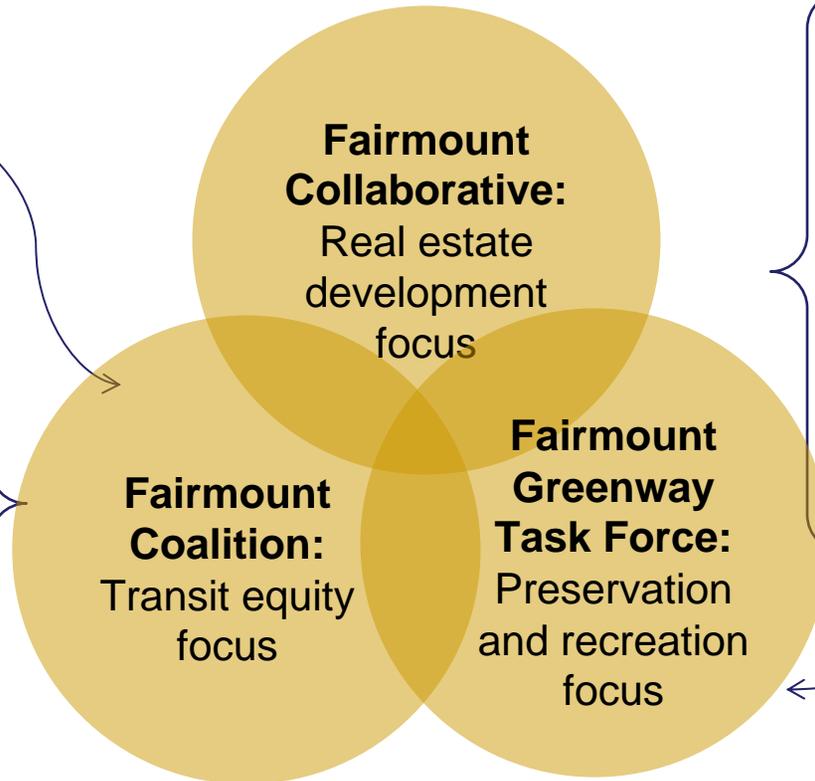
# The Fairmount Collaborative arose from a need to increase political and financial clout

- Greater Four Corners Action Coalition spearheaded transit equity efforts, advocating for new stops on the Fairmount line to connect residents to rest of city
- The Exec Directors of the four CDCs recognized opportunities to pursue transit-oriented development (TOD) and helped organize the Fairmount Collaborative to unite the power of more neighborhoods to the previous effort and to get adequate transit service and smart growth for low-moderate income neighborhoods
- The four CDCs Collaborative Vision: create strong, vibrant, and diverse communities along the corridor, providing **mixed-income housing** and access to **decent paying jobs**, greening opportunities and supporting strong **civic engagement\***
  - Allows CDCs to pitch projects with greater impact
  - The partnership developed organically in that all partners came together willingly over a common interest

Recognition of shared need, strong leadership, and willing partners are crucial to success of the Fairmount Collaborative

# The Collaborative works with Coalition and Greenway Task Force on transit equity, and parks/recreation, respectively

- Collaborative CDCs +
- Greater Four Corners Action Coalition
  - Project RIGHT (Rebuild and Improve Grove Hall Together)
  - Dudley Street Neighborhood Initiative
  - Quincy Geneva Housing Corporation
  - Conservation Law Foundation
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With added support from the four CDCs in the Collaborative, the Coalition and Greenway Task Force have been able to further bolster their influence and reach

# Pre-transit oriented development projects done by Codman Square



*Erie Ellington Homes, an award winning mixed income housing development by CSNDC, has its front door near the proposed transit station.*



*The Talbot-Bernard village added 75 family and senior units on a brownfield site. Front door at proposed Talbot Stop.*

**Award Winning Erie Ellington & Talbot Bernard Homes**



