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- Make Boston a World-class biking city
 - Improve safety and comfort for bicyclists and all other road users
 - Encourage new riders
 - Connect people to places
- 2. Use a cost-effective approach to building Boston's bicycle infrastructure







Why is Boston planning for more bicycling?

Safety Streets planned and designed for all types of user are safer for everyone

• **Health** People who bicycle are healthier

• Sustainability The bicycle is a non-polluting form of transportation

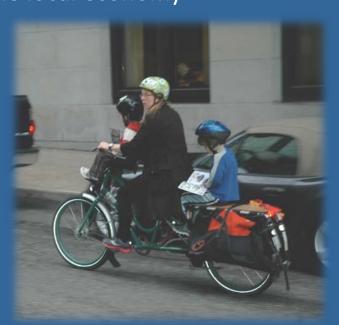
• Mobility Increase mobility options for residents and visitors

• Equity The bicycle is an affordable and accessible form of travel

Economy Bicycling is cost-effective and supports the local economy

Quality of Life

- Social interactions
- Vibrant streets
- Less traffic noise
- Eyes on the street
- Small footprint
- More public space
- Fun!



Boston Network Plan: Public Input

1. Comfortable, low-stress routes and intersections



Separation from vehicular traffic

2. Direct and convenient routes



Dense network connecting neighborhood centers





Building the Existing Network

9 miles on-street, 200855 miles off-street

55 miles on-street, 2011

Over 300 miles



