

Interpretation Information



English: For interpretation in [____],

1. Go to the horizontal control bar at the bottom of your screen. Click on “Interpretation.”
2. Then click on the language that you would like to hear.
3. You are now accessing this meeting in [____]

Spanish: Para traducción en Español,

1. Vaya a la parte baja de la pantalla, en la barra horizontal, y presione la tecla “Interpretation”.
2. Luego seleccione el idioma que desea escuchar.
3. Después de seleccionar, usted entrará a la reunión en el idioma “Español”.

Haitian Creole: Pou entèpretasyon Kreyòl ayisyen,

1. Ale nan kontwòl ba nan pati anba ekran an epi Klike sou "Interpretation"
2. Apre sa, klike sou lang ke ou ta renmen tande a.
3. Kounye a ou gen aksè a reyinyon an Kreyòl ayisyen

Cabo Verdean Creole: Gossim bu ta entra na reuniao na kriolu,

1. Bai na barra de controlo horizontal na parte inferior di computador bu kalka na “Interpretation”.
2. Depos kalka na idioma qui bu kre ovi.
3. Agora djabu sta ta entra na reuniaun em creole.

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Reparations Task Force

March 18, 2024 Public Meeting



AGENDA



- I. **Notice of accommodations and interpreters' introductions**
- II. **Embrace Presentation**
- III. **Q&A**
- IV. **Public Comment**
- V. **Adjournment**



HARM REPORT

CONNECTING THE PAST TO THE
PRESENT STATE OF BLACK BOSTON



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First Reconstruction

Post Civil War
(1865-1877)



Second Reconstruction

Civil Rights era
(1950s-1960s)



Third Reconstruction

2016-present

8 Harm Areas

Housing

Transportation

Education

Criminal Legal Systems

Health

Income & Wealth

Culture & Symbols

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Amherst Reparations Harm Report

Housing

- Following federal policy, Boston's real estate industry actively supported racial segregation
- Today, the share of Boston's Black residents who are homeowners (34%) is *half* that of white residents (69%)

"A Realtor should never be instrumental in introducing into a neighborhood a character of property or occupancy, members of any race or nationality, or any individuals whose presence will clearly be detrimental to property values..."

1926 Boston Real Estate Exchange
Code of Ethics



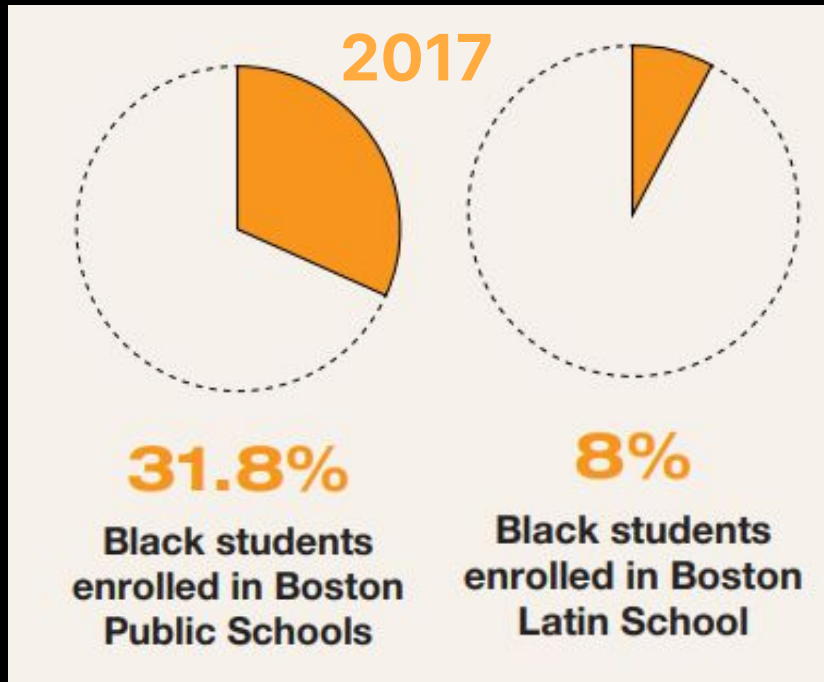
Transportation

- The 1956 Federal Highway Act financed the leveling of Black neighborhoods
- The Washington Street Elevated Rail's 1987 shuttering limited transit options for Black Bostonians
- Investments in the Commuter rail and the Green Line extension have not been matched in Black-majority neighborhoods



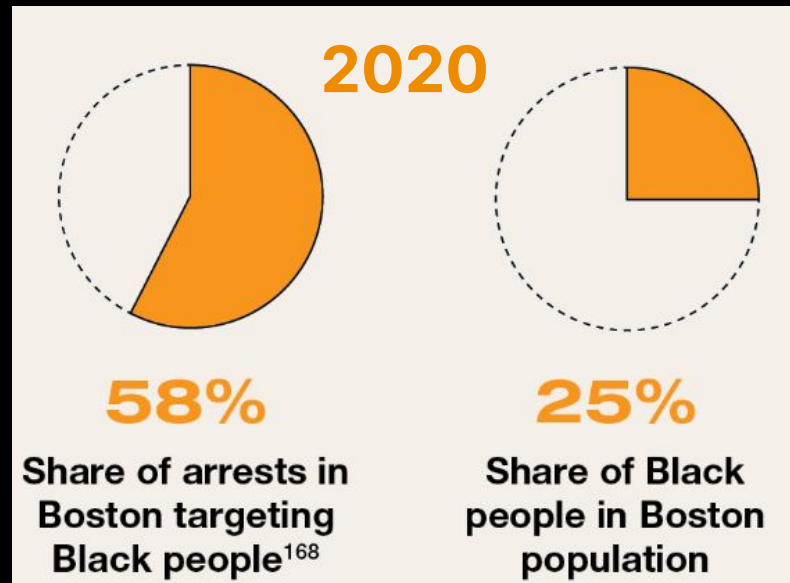
Education

- The Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court legalized racially segregated schooling in 1849
- Segregation persists in BPS and throughout school in the Commonwealth



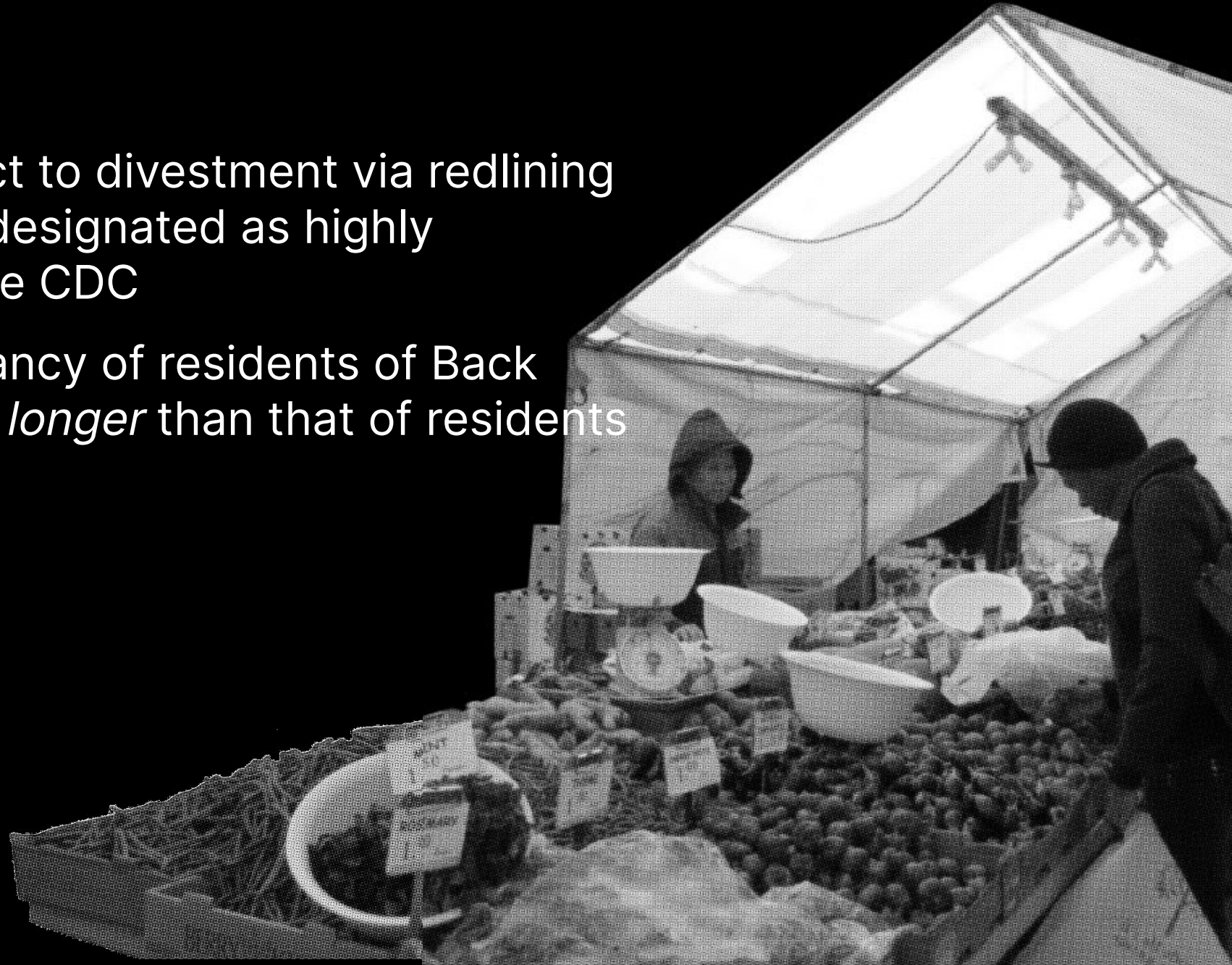
Criminal Legal Systems

- As early as 1703 laws criminalized people of African, Indigenous, and mixed descent for being out in public at night
- Law enforcement capitulated to the Fugitive Slave Law and returned formerly enslaved persons to their enslavers in the South



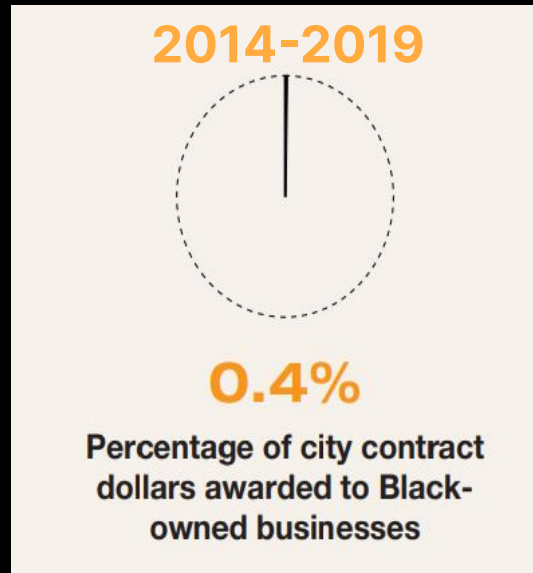
Health

- Neighborhoods subject to divestment via redlining in the 1930s are now designated as highly vulnerable areas by the CDC
- Today, the life expectancy of residents of Back Bay is nearly *25 years longer* than that of residents in Roxbury



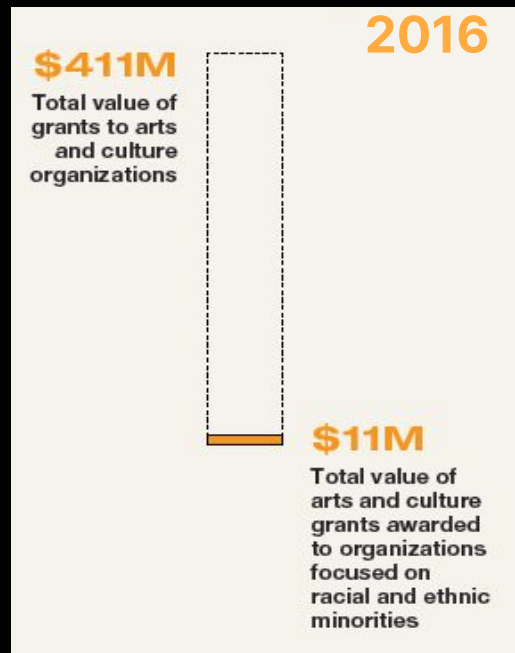
Income & Wealth

- The plunder of Black wealth begins in the Commonwealth with the legalization of slavery in 1641
- Exclusion from homeownership through redlining and restrictive covenants blocked the most effective pathway for building wealth
- The city's present quarter-million dollar racial wealth gap reflects the compounded impact of anti-Blackness in our city



Culture & Symbols

- Of nearly 80 statues and monuments in Boston, only 8 reflect Black history and voices
- Leading cultural organizations' collections continue to reify European artistic traditions, while those of the Global South and the African diaspora occupy marginal spaces





THE CALL FOR REPARATIONS IS ABOUT MORE THAN FINANCIAL COMPENSATION. IT IS ABOUT ACKNOWLEDGING THE ONGOING HARMS OF SYSTEMIC RACISM, ADDRESSING THE ROOT CAUSES OF THESE INJUSTICES, AND PROMOTING HEALING AND RESTORATION FOR INDIVIDUALS AND COMMUNITIES WHO HAVE SUFFERED FOR FAR TOO LONG.



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MA STATEWIDE REPARATIONS CONVENING

APR. 10TH, 2024 | 6-7:30PM

Harm Repair Justice

- INTERESTED IN LEARNING MORE ABOUT REPARATIONS?
- WANT TO KNOW WHAT'S HAPPENING IN MA?
- READY TO GET INVOLVED IN THE MOVEMENT?

**JOIN OUR STATEWIDE CONVERSATION ON
REPARATIONS WHERE YOU'LL HEAR FROM
ACTIVE LEADERS & LEARN ABOUT THE
LOCAL EFFORTS IN MA!**

SAVE THE DATE



Q&A

We will now open the floor and the Zoom chat for questions and comments about the presentation.

Please keep your comment limited to **2 minutes** or less. We will time comments.

DEPARTMENT HEAD



General public comment

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