



May 12, 2025

Mr. Hinlan Wong
Board of Review, City of Boston Assessing Department
1 City Hall Square
Boston, MA 02201

Dear Mr. Wong:

Boston College High School was established to provide a Jesuit Catholic education for Boston residents, most of whom were immigrants. The substantial contributions made by BC High to the City of Boston reinforce our commitment to this great city and its residents. We believe it is important to remind the community of our Boston connection and, to that end, we have conducted an analysis to quantify that contribution.

We are still in our current fiscal year (2025) and, as such, have compiled data for this school year and, specifically, for the period between 05/01/2024-04/30/2025. Highlights of contributions to the City of Boston are as follows:

- Boston College High School has a total of 418 students enrolled who reside in Boston. This results in a direct savings to the City of Boston, as these students are not enrolled in the Boston Public School system. According to the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education Report, the City of Boston's 2023 Total Expenditure per Pupil was calculated at \$31,883ⁱ per student. Therefore, having these students enrolled at BC High instead of Boston Public Schools is a direct savings to the City of approximately \$13,327,019.
- During this past fiscal year, Boston resident students received approximately \$3,793,647 of need and merit based financial aid from BC High.
- BC High employed 48 Boston residents as members of the faculty and staff, providing more than \$5,152,000 and \$1,288,000 in salaries and benefits, respectively. Additionally, BC High also employed 26 Boston residents in substitute, coaching, and co-curricular moderator capacities during the previous year. These jobs provided in excess of \$124,000 of wages. These job opportunities and salaries provided to Boston residents generate economic activity for their local communities and the City of Boston.
- Between July 2024 and May 2025 (our current school year-to-date), BC High students volunteered over 14,000 hours in the City of Boston through our required student volunteer programs, including ESL tutoring, our 7th and 8th Grade Service Days, our Junior Community Action program, and the St. Louis Homeless Outreach Program, which provides supplies, snack, and water to the homeless in Boston. If each student were to receive \$15 per hour for his work at these agencies, as this is standard minimum wage, this would translate into \$210,000 worth of service to the



community of Boston during six months of in-person service. Over the many years that these programs have been in place, BC High students have donated millions of dollars' worth of labor to some of the neediest organizations in Boston. More importantly, BC High students have touched the lives of thousands of Boston residents who live on the margins of our society and have inspired them by their generosity and service. In addition, through our Mite Box program, the BC High community has raised \$22,600 for Boston non-profit institutions.

- BC High also waived or reduced the fee for 350 hours of facility usage for many Boston-based organizations. A conservative estimate is \$20,000 of free or discounted use.

To summarize the benefits that BC High provides to the communities of the Boston Area:

Savings to City of Boston Public Schools:	\$13,327,019
Financial Aid to Boston students:	\$ 3,793,647
Salaries/Benefits paid to Boston residents	\$ 6,564,000
Facility rental to Boston organizations	\$ 20,000
Mite Box contributions to Boston non-profits	\$ 25,300
Service hours provided to Boston Agencies	<u>\$ 210,000</u>
TOTAL 2024-25:	\$23,939,966

The School has made a steadfast commitment to stay in the City of Boston and our desire is that this decision be a benefit to Boston, rather than a burden. We are proud to have been an integral part of the City for over 150 years. We look forward to our continued collaboration that is mutually beneficial.

Sincerely,

Grace Cotter Regan
President

¹Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education
<https://www.doe.mass.edu/finance/statistics/per-pupil-exp.html> Total Boston In District Expenditures for 2019-2023.

COMMUNITY BENEFITS RECAP

Please note that the deadline for Community Benefits is April 1, 2025. There are also two additional data points we would like to collect this year (see footnotes for more info).

Once completed, please rename the document to reflect the name of your organization. Email [an_excel_and_PDF_version](mailto:an_excel_and_PDF_version@pilotprogram@boston.gov) to pilotprogram@boston.gov.

INSTITUTION NAME: Boston College High School		FINANCIAL YEAR: 2025 (in progress)								
Program Name	Brief Program Description	Amount (\$)	Cash, In-Kind, or Both ¹	1-time or Ongoing ²	Who is Served ³	Program Initiator ⁴	City-wide or Neighborhoods Served ⁵	Community Benefit Category ⁶	Partners	
Workforce employment	BC High employed 48 Boston residents as members of the faculty and staff, providing salaries in excess of \$5,152,000 and benefits of \$1,288,000. Additionally, BC High also employed 26 Boston residents in substitute, coaching, and co-curricular moderator capacities during FY25. These jobs provided in excess of \$124,000 of wages. These job opportunities and salaries provided to Boston residents generate economic activity for their local communities and the City of Boston.	\$6,564,000	cash	ongoing	Boston residents	Boston College High School	City-wide	Employment		
St. Louis Homeless Outreach Program	Student and staff volunteers donated over 350 hours of time to provide supplies, snacks, and water to the unhoused in Boston.	\$0	In-kind	ongoing	Boston's unhoused population	Boston College High School	City-wide	Good Neighbor Activity		
Financial Aid to Boston Students	merit and need-based aid for Boston students enrolled at the School	\$3,793,647	cash	ongoing	Boston residents	Boston College High School	City-wide	Education		
Service Days and Community Action Programs	For the most recent school year, the BC High students volunteered over 14,000 hours in the City of Boston through our required student volunteer programs, including our 7th and 8th Grade Service Days, our Junior Community Action program, and the St. Louis Homeless Outreach Program, which provides supplies, snack, and water to the homeless in Boston. If each student were to receive \$15 per hour for his work at these agencies, as this is standard minimum wage, this would translate into \$210,000 worth of service to the community of Boston during six months of in-person service. Over the many years that these programs have been in place, BC High students have donated millions of dollars' worth of labor to some of the neediest organizations in Boston. More importantly, BC High students have touched the lives of thousands of Boston residents who live on the margins of our society and have inspired them by their generosity and service. In addition, each year through our Mite Box program, the BC High community has raised \$22,600 for Boston non-profit institutions.	\$210,000	In-kind	ongoing	Boston's businesses	Boston College High School	City-wide	Good Neighbor Activity		
Mite Box	The BC High community raises money for selected not-for-profits on a weekly basis. Cash donations are made by students and employees alike.	\$25,300	Cash	ongoing	Boston non-profit institutions	Boston College High School	City-wide	Direct Monetary Support to City of Boston Programs		
Facility rentals to Boston organizations	BC High waived or reduced the fee for over 400 hours of facility usage for many Boston-based organizations. A conservative estimate is \$20,000 of free or discounted use.	\$20,000	Cash	ongoing	Boston	Boston College High School	City-wide	Good Neighbor Activity		
Savings to Boston City Public Schools	Boston College High School has a total of 418 students enrolled who reside in Boston. This results in a direct savings to the City of Boston, as these students are not enrolled in the Boston Public School system. According to the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education Report, the City of Boston's 2023 Total Expenditure per Pupil was calculated at \$31,883 per student. Therefore, having these students enrolled at BC High instead of Boston Public Schools is a direct savings to the City of approximately \$13,327,019.	\$13,327,019	In-kind	ongoing	Boston	Boston College High School	City-wide	Education		
Total		\$23,939,966								