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This booklet is a reference for important phone numbers, local businesses & organizations and Fenway neighborhood activities. This booklet is available on-line at [www.thecopleygroup.com](http://www.thecopleygroup.com).

Fenway  
Neighborhood  
Guide



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## Fenway Neighborhood Overview

The Copley Group *is one of the largest owners and managers of rental housing in the West Fenway. We are committed to providing clean, safe, reasonably priced housing in one of the finest neighborhoods in Boston, and we continually strive to provide excellent service to our residents.*

The West Fenway neighborhood is one of Boston's most unique and well defined neighborhoods. This small five street area is bounded by Park Drive on three sides and the major arterial Boylston Street on the fourth. The neighborhood was originally designed to complement the wonderful Frederick Law Olmstead designed Back Bay Fens, which runs adjacent to Park Drive.

The Back Bay Fens is a 200 year old park system. Within its approximately 100 acres of land is the world famous **James P. Kelleher Rose Garden, Veterans Memorial** to three wars and the oldest continuously operated Victory Gardens in the country, which contain 400 plots that are rented on an annual basis.

The Back Bay Fens also offers opportunities for active recreation. There is a ¼ mile stone dust jogging track in the park, and the loop around the park itself is about 1 mile. The basketball courts along Park Drive are home to some of the most rough and tumble pick-up ball games in the city. *Like any urban park, we do not recommend using the park at night after the field lights are out.*

Across the Back Bay Fens are some of the most famous institutions in Boston: **The Museum of Fine Arts** and **The Isabella Stewart Gardener Museum**. The MFA houses a world renowned collection of impressionist paintings and the Isabella Stewart Gardener Museum boasts its own wonderful collection as well as an enclosed courtyard and restaurant.

**Ramler Park** located on Peterborough Street is one of the most inviting small parks in Boston and is very near to your home. With support from The Copley Group, Ramler Park officially opened in August of 2004. The park is a quiet and welcoming outdoor space for anyone wishing to sit and read, soak in the sun, listen to the birds, visit with friends, or partake in pre-dusk summer concertos. Rich with some of the finest architectural details and interesting plantings of any place in the City, Ramler Park is under the ownership of the Boston Parks Department, but overseen by the Friends of Ramler Park, an all-volunteer nonprofit group



working in partnership with the city. Wednesday nights during the summer months are “volunteer weeding nights!”

Further adding to the character and convenience of the West Fenway and surrounding areas are: major universities, a college of music, museums, public transportation, small shops, fine restaurants, and The Longwood Medical Area- all of which are only a brief walk from your doorstep. Detailed information and listings for neighborhood amenities are included in the pages to follow.

We at The Copley Group sincerely hope that you enjoy living in your new neighborhood. We encourage you to join us in being an active participant in preserving it by taking advantage of the above mentioned facilities, patronizing the local businesses and supporting the community organizations.



## **Fenway Neighborhood Organizations**

**Fenway Civic Association (FCA)** is the oldest community organization in the Fenway. It is an all volunteer organization committed to maintaining quality of life in the neighborhood. FCA works with the government to keep the neighborhood clean, safe and livable. It also sponsors community meetings on issues that are important to the survival of a small community: traffic, licensing, crime and park issues. Like any community organization FCA is always looking for members and volunteers. For information call 617-278-4341 or write, Fenway Civic Association, P.O. Box 230435, Astor Station, Boston, MA 02123, or visit them on-line at [www.fenwaycivic.org](http://www.fenwaycivic.org).

**Fenway Garden Society** maintains the oldest operating Victory Garden in the country. There are approximately 400, 15' x 30' plots available for gardeners to plant, maintain, and harvest. Approximately 10% of the plots turn over each year, and the average wait for a plot is about seven months from the time you apply. Any legal crops can be grown within broad guidelines of the society. There is assistance available for new gardeners, elderly, and handicapped persons. For information and an application write to the Fenway Garden Society, P.O. Box 38, Astor Station, Boston, MA 02123.

## **Libraries, Colleges and Universities, Museums, Music & Performing Arts Venues and Theaters**

### **Boston Public Library:**

Main Branch  
700 Boylston Street (Copley Square)  
617-536-5400

The Library Catalog is on line and accesses the Metro Library Network of Boston, Brookline, Cambridge, Chelsea, Lexington, Malden and Newton: via internet address: <http://www.bpl.org/>. Library cards are available at the main branch with proper I.D. and a current utility bill.

### **Colleges & Universities:**

Emmanuel College 400 The Fenway 617-735-9715	School of the Museum of fine Arts 230 The Fenway 617-267-6100
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Berklee College of Music 1140 Boylston Street 617-266-1400	N.E. Conservatory of Music 290 Huntington Avenue 617-262-1120
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Boston Conservatory 8 The Fenway 617-536-6340	Northeastern University 360 Huntington Avenue (617) 585-1100
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Boston University One Silber Way 617-353-2000	Simmons College 300 The Fenway 617-521-2000
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Mass College of Art 621 Huntington Avenue 617-232-1555	Wheelock College 154 The Riverway 617-734-5200
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**Museums:**

Museum of Fine Arts  
465 Huntington Avenue  
617-267-9300

Museum of Science  
Museum of Science Driveway  
617-723-2500

Children Museum of Boston  
300 Congress Street  
617-426-8855

New England Aquarium  
Central Wharf, Boston  
617-973-5200

Isabella Stewart Gardner  
250 The Fenway  
617-566-1401

Afro-American  
History Museum  
46 Joy St., Boston  
617-725-0022

Harvard University Art  
Museum, Cambridge  
617-495-9400

Institute of Contemporary Art  
100 Northern Avenue  
617-478-3100

**Art Galleries:**

*Boston's Newbury Street is home to a large number of galleries with ever-changing shows. The following are some of Galleries:*

Alpha Gallery  
14 Newbury Street  
617-536-4465

Andrea Marquit Fine Arts  
38 Newbury Street  
617-859-0190

Barbara Krakow Gallery  
10 Newbury Street  
617-262-4490

Creeper-Dana Gallery  
36 Newbury Street  
617-536-8088

Dyansen Gallery  
132A Newbury Street  
617-262-4800

Mercury Gallery  
8 Newbury Street  
617-859-0054

Pucker Gallery  
171 Newbury Street  
617-267-9472

Robert Klein Gallery  
38 Newbury Street  
617-267-7997

Neilsen Gallery  
179 Newbury Street  
617-266-4835

Neilsen Gallery  
179 Newbury Street  
617-266-4835

Pepper Gallery  
38 Newbury Street  
617-236-4497

Newbury Fine Arts  
29 Newbury Street  
617-536-0210

**Music and Performing Arts Venues:**

Boston has a very lively music scene and there are many free concerts available at local schools such as Berklee, N.E. Conservatory, B.U., and Northeastern. Rush tickets for Boston Symphony Orchestra are also available. *The Thursday Calendar section of the Boston Globe gives a complete listing of all music and theatre events in Boston.*

Berklee College of Music 1140 Boylston Street 617-266-1400	N.E. Conservatory 30 Gainsborough Street 617-262-1120
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Northeastern U., Ell Center 360 Huntington Avenue 617-373-2671	Boston Symphony Hall 310 Massachusetts Avenue 617-266-1200
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**Theaters and Entertainment Venues:**

Colonial Theatre 106 Boylston Street 617-482-9396	Cutler Majestic Theatre 219 Tremont Street 617-824-8400	House of Blues 15 Landsdowne Street 888-693-2583
Boston Conservatory 31 Hemenway Street 617-912-9222	Boston Center for the Arts 539 Tremont Street 617-456-5000	Great Scott Music Venue 1222 Commonwealth Ave 617-566-9014
Lyric Stage 140 Clarendon Street 617-585-5678	Citi Center for Performing Arts 270 Tremont Street 617-482-9393	Agganis Arena 925 Commonwealth Avenue 617-358-7000
Wilbur Theatre 246 Tremont Street 617-248-9700	Huntington Theatre Company 264 Huntington Avenue 617-266-0800	Paradise Rock Club 967 Commonwealth Avenue 617-562-8800
Orpheum Theatre 1 Hamilton Place 617-482-0106	Opera House 539 Washington Street 617-880-2442	Brighton Music Hall 158 Brighton Avenue 617-779-0140





### Fenway Neighborhood Businesses

The health of a neighborhood is dependent on the vitality of its local businesses. The West Fenway has many fine local businesses that can serve your needs and are convenient to your new home. A diverse selection of restaurants that cover the spectrum of dining from Thai, Chinese, Italian, Persian, and New American are available. Some of these restaurants have patios for outdoor dining during warm weather. Most of these restaurants have take-out and in most cases delivery service. \*Star indicates a Copley Group FAVORITE!

Fenway Neighborhood Restaurants:

Boston Shawarma 315 Huntington Ave. 617-670-0460	**The Neighborhood Café 96 Peterborough St. 617-262-7700	Tapestry 69 Kilmarnock St 617-421-4470
*Regina Pizzeria 1330 Boylston St. 617-266-9210	**Eastern Standard Kitchen 528 Commonwealth Ave. 617-532-9100	Thaitation 129 Jersey St. 617-585-9909
*Yardhouse Bar & Grill 126 Brookline Avenue 617-236-4083	Sweet Caroline’s 1260 Boylston St. 617-424-1260	*Tasty Burger 1301-05 Boylston St. 617-425-4444
The Baseball Tavern 1270 Boylston St. 617-867-6527	*Basho Japanese Brasserie 1338 Boylston St. 617-262-1338	Saloniki Greek 4 Kilmarnock St. 617-266-0001
Tony C's Sports Bar & Grill 1265 Boylston St. 617-236-7369	*The Citizen Public House & Oyster Bar 1310 Boylston St. 617-450-9000	College Pizza 50 Queensberry St. 617-266-4917
Panera Bread 401 Park Drive 617-247-0174	Chipotle 148 Brookline Ave. 617-236-4950	*Breugger’s Bagels 644 Beacon St. 617-262-7939
*Sweet Cheeks BBQ 1381 Boylston St. 617-266-1300	*Gyro City 88 Peterborough St. 617-266-4976	*Rod Dee II Thai Cuisine 94 Peterborough St. 617-859-0969
Hidyan Café 80 Kilmarnock St. 617-437-0966	Black Jack Pasta Bar 52 Queensberry St. 617-266-1313	Boston Beer Works 61 Brookline Ave. 617-536-2337
**El Pelon Taqueria 92 Peterborough St. 617-262-9090	Thornton’s Bar and Grill 100 Peterborough St. 617-421-0104	Hojoko Boston 1271 Boylston St. 617-670-0507

## Neighborhood Transportation

The West Fenway is well served by public transportation provided by the MBTA or “T” as it is known locally. The customer service phone number is 617-222-3200. A great primer to public transportation is called “Car Free in Boston” by the Association of Public Transportation. It is available at most bookstores.

**55 Bus** leaves Jersey Street at Queensberry Street, and travels via Boylston Street to Copley Square then follows Boylston to Charles Street, up Beacon Street by the State House and down to Park Street at Boston Common.

**Green Line “D”** service is available at the Fenway T Stop behind the Landmark Center on Park Drive. Inbound this will take you to Park Street, a major transfer station for the T System. Outbound this will take you to Riverside in Newton.

**Green Line “E”** is across the Fens on Huntington Ave. The E line will take you inbound to Park Street and continue along all the way to Lechmere in Cambridge. Outbound it will take you to the V.A. Hospital in Jamaica Plain. *The 39 Bus* also runs outbound at the same location on Huntington Avenue and travels all the way to Forest Hills in Jamaica Plain.

**Kenmore Square** is a transportation hub which serves the Green Line and surface buses that travel to Brighton, Chestnut Hill, and Watertown.

More information about Boston public transportation can be found on the MBTA website: [www.mbta.com](http://www.mbta.com).

**Hubway Boston** is Boston’s bicycle sharing program. Several Hubway stations are located in and around the Fenway and Longwood Medical Area. Visit [www.thehubway.com](http://www.thehubway.com) for up to date station listings and more information.

**Zip Car** has cars available for use in the Copley parking lot located behind 191-195 Park Drive. Visit [www.zipcar.com](http://www.zipcar.com) for more information.

## Important Telephone Numbers

### Emergency Numbers:

Ambulance	911
Fire Department	911
Police Department	911
Police Area D (Fenway Neighborhood)	617-343-4250

### The Copley Group Numbers:

Main Office	617-262-3930
Maintenance Office	617-536-9339
Maintenance Office (Emergency/ After Hours)	781-642-1576
Rental Office	617-247-3070
Property Manager	617-262-3930

### Other Numbers:

Boston City Hall	617-635-4000
Eversource	800-592-2000
Boston Fire Department	617-343-3415
National Grid (Gas)	617-469-2300
Boston Parking Division	617-635-4682
Boston Police (Non-Emergency)	617-343-4250
Boston Recycling Division	617-635-4959
Robert's Towing	617-989-1400
Fenway Civic Association	617-278-4341
MBTA Customer Service	617-222-3200
MBTA Police	617-222-1100
Massachusetts Voter Registration	617-635-4635
Mayor's 24 Hour Hotline	617-635-4500
Mayor's Office/ Neighborhood Services	617-635-3485
RCN (Cable TV, Telephone, High Speed Internet)	617-593-0122