

## UPHAMS CROSSING

*Affordable family housing as neighborhood catalyst*

Uphams Crossing consists of 80 units of affordable workforce housing for families earning up to 60% AMI; 20 of these units are set-aside to provide permanent housing for formerly homeless families and the remaining 60 provide affordable workforce housing. Uphams Crossing is home to residents employed at over 35 local businesses and institutions, filling the need for affordable housing for lower and middle-income households. The homeless families moved from 7 emergency shelters in Boston, and now have permanent affordable homes along with an on-site full time Licensed social worker to ensure that each family gets the services they need. This supportive services program includes evening and weekend programming for families living at and around the development.

Uphams Crossing is the re-development of the former St. Kevin's Parish in the Uphams Corner neighborhood of Dorchester. The development incorporated the adaptive reuse of one of the three existing buildings at 516 Columbia Road and the new construction of two buildings, at 530 Columbia Road and 35 Bird Street. The development contains significant open space along with resident and public gathering spaces and amenities, including a resident fitness center, community meeting room, computer/study room, café and lounge area.



**Developer:**

- Planning Office for Urban Affairs

**Services/Co-Sponsor:**

- St. Mary's Center for Women & Children

**Architectural:**

- The Architectural Team
- Bellalta 3 Design (Landscape)

**Civil/Traffic Engineer:**

- Howard Stein Hudson Associates

**Geotechnical Engineer:**

- McPhail Associates LLC

**Contractor:**

- Bilt-Rite Construction

**Environmental:**

- GZA GeoEnvironmental Inc.
- DeRosa Environmental Consulting

**Attorney:**

- Klein Hornig LLP

**Property Manager:**

- Corcoran Management Company

**Financing:**

- MA DHCD
- City of Boston
- CEDAC
- Bank of America
- MassHousing Partnership Fund
- MassHousing
- Federal Home Loan Bank of Boston
- Federal Home Loan Bank of Atlanta
- U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

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