



About Melrose

The City of Melrose is bordered by the Towns of Stoneham, Wakefield, and Saugus, and by the Cities of Malden, Medford, and Revere. The City approximately seven miles north of Boston with a geographical area of 4.76 square miles.

Melrose features a historic downtown and a wide range of local and regional open space and recreation options, cultural activities, community events, educational opportunities and community amenities. It is home to many industries including small retail businesses, restaurants, personal care services, professional services and more.

Melrose remains a highly desirable location for both its residents and businesses given its density, walkability, and variety of commercial districts. Over the past decade, economic development in Melrose has been centered around the City's efforts to promote Smart Growth and Transit Oriented Development (TOD) that takes advantage of the City's vast network of transit options and bustling business districts.

2020 Census Information

- **Population 29,817**
- **Median age 41 years**
- **Median household income \$106,955**
 - Compared to \$85,843 for all Massachusetts households

MBTA Services

- **MBTA Orange Line** (Oak Grove)
- **MBTA fixed route bus service** to/from neighboring communities and within Melrose
- **Commuter rail service** to/from North Station (Melrose Highlands, Melrose/Cedar Park, and Wyoming Hill)

Sustainability

The City of Melrose has been a leader in energy efficiency efforts. As one of the first 35 communities to be designated a Green Community in 2010 and since then, the City has leveraged more than \$1.6 million in state and utility funds to improve energy efficiency and reduce energy use. More efforts can be made in the municipal and school buildings to ensure that energy use reductions are continually achieved over the long-term, which was identified as an important need by community members.

Further, the City of Melrose, in coordination with the Melrose Energy Commission, has a strong commitment to outreach and education for residential energy customers. The City has also recently released its Net Zero Action Plan, which will serve as a road map to reducing community-wide greenhouse gas emissions throughout Melrose.