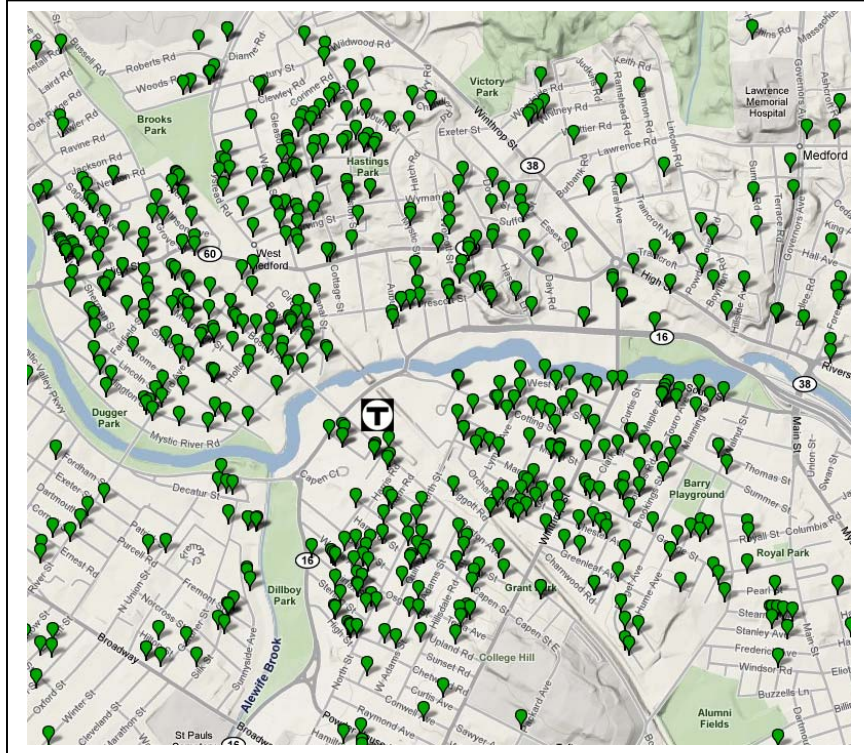


# A Petition in Support of a Route 16 Terminus for the Green Line Extension



**Presented by the Medford Green Line  
Neighborhood Alliance  
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## More Than 2,000 Show Support for Green Line to Route 16

More than 2,000 area residents have signed a Medford Green Line Neighborhood Alliance (MGNA) petition in support of the Route 16/Mystic Valley Parkway area as the final station of the Green Line extension to Somerville and Medford.

MGNA presents this petition, with 2,022 signatures, to the Executive Office of Transportation (EOT) and to elected officials from Medford, Somerville and Arlington as a demonstration of strong community support for extending the Green Line to Route 16.

The petition states three primary reasons for support of Route 16 as the terminus location. These are, to:

- Provide Green Line access to thousands of people within a 10-minute walk.
- Be conveniently located on two major thoroughfares with existing bus connections.
- Serve two large portions of Medford and Somerville designated as Environmental Justice communities.

Petition signers added numerous other comments in favor of a Route 16 station, particularly citing the need to improve public transportation options in the wake of record gasoline prices. (A sampling of comments by petition signers appears at the back of this report.)

The signatures were collected online and in paper form over seven weeks, from June 5 to July 31, 2008. Most of the signatures – 1,687, or 83 percent – were gathered via the online form. Another 335 people signed paper petitions.

Nearly half of the people who gave a city of residence when signing the petition identified themselves as being Medford residents. The breakdown was:

Medford	48%
Somerville	17%
Arlington	12%
Other	4%
No city indicated	19%

A map showing the geographical distribution of the signatures appears on Pg. 2.

The Executive Office of Transportation and elected officials are receiving printed copies of all the signatures. The public may view the entire list of signatures on the MGNA website, [www.medfordgreenline.org](http://www.medfordgreenline.org).

# Route 16 Petition Signatures – Geographical Distribution

