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**TO:** Boston University Faculty and Staff

**FROM:** Jean Morrison, University Provost and Chief Academic Officer 

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**SUBJECT:** Completion of University-wide Strategic Planning Effort and Beginning of Implementation Phase

I write to extend my deep thanks to our entire community for your contributions and engagement throughout Boston University's strategic planning process. Undertakings of this magnitude ask a great deal of their participants. From the beginning and throughout all the listening sessions, the countless hours of meetings and discussion, and the development of priorities into implementable initiatives, I have been continually reminded what a remarkable community of scholars and professionals we have and how deeply committed you are to Boston University, its reputation, and its future.

The blueprint developed by the Strategic Planning Task Force from 2018-2020 has been translated into practical, workable initiatives, and last month, the Board of Trustees enthusiastically – and unanimously – supported the final implementation plan for BU2030. I invite you to visit the completed [Strategic Plan website](#) to see what's been accomplished and what lies ahead.

As we enter the final phase of this project, I'm happy to announce that **Prof. Swathi Kiran**, who has served as the Strategy Implementation Group Lead since last fall, will continue to lead the implementation effort as the Director of Strategic Planning Implementation in the Office of the Provost. Swathi has done a remarkable job working with faculty and staff sponsors and initiative owners across the University to take the key initiatives identified in the strategic plan and create a detailed path forward for each of them. As we move ahead, we expect members of the Strategy Implementation Group, the sponsors, and initiative owners to remain deeply engaged in this process.

I cannot stress enough how vital the participation of the BU community has been to this effort. The future of Boston University is exceedingly bright in no small part thanks to your engagement in process. I am excited for the work that lies ahead and want to, in the meantime, wish all of you a safe and successful close to the spring semester.