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Subject:

Penacook Community Center Expansion

## Good evening.

My daughter has attended Penacook Community Center since we moved to the town in 2008. The program was recommended to us from a prior program as excellent. We were told about healthy food programs, exercise programs, summer camp, and more. Since she was accepted, we have found all of this to be true. And much more.

Our daughter has learned communication, team work, leadership, mentoring younger children, many skills that benefit her in school and life. She has learned new sports, made many new friends, gained gardening skills, took interest in learning to swim, performed in full productions of theatre and music. She even got me on stage with Junk to Funk to play drums.

What really makes the difference at PCC is the people. Every single teacher, every one, has been caring, coached, taught, and added a connection to my child, as well as all the children. They have created connections between children and other children, children and adults, and partnerships in the community with the Historical Society and in the schools. Just to see the amazing interest in school that our daughter has, in no small part due to how much the teachers have connected their programs to the lessons and skills taught in school, has given us great respect for the programming at PCC.

As a leader myself, the only way you get that drive to care for children, every day, is the passion and leadership of the director, office, and board. I believe they truly care: care about children. Care about adults. Care about the elderly. And have a true passion to reach out in the community and bring opportunity to people that may not otherwise have it.

The true measure of a program such as PCC is the growth and growing interest in it, in the community in which it resides. Every year since 2008, we have seen more and more people wanting to be a part of PCC and more and more wanting to add their own contribution of interest, participation, or time (or all of the above). The town continues to grow and the community needs a larger and more diverse program. The time is right to help PCC achieve its goal of a new building and a growing program.

I believe you will find great support in our community, including all generations, for a program that enriches people on so many levels.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Joe Cesarini