



THE CENTER STANDS STRONGER THAN EVER

BUT THERE IS ALWAYS MORE TO DO.



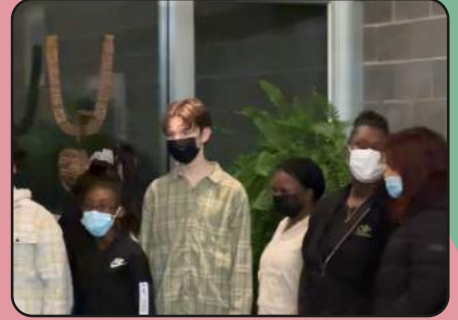
The Center's Computer Lab is being used by After-Schoolers, Teens, and hosts "Teach Me How to Fish" classes. We are so excited that our "Teach Me How to Fish" workforce training strategy that began in 2020 is expanding thanks to increased support from NYS LIREDC, AMAZON, and National Grid. We have many success stories for our graduates in our Software Engineering, Real Estate, and Up-Skills Training tracks.



Our D.R.E.A.M. Teens have regular Teen Nights with food, games, and special sessions. Our Theme for this year is “POINT OF VIEW”. This encourages our teens to share their ideas surrounding mental health awareness, civic awareness, career paths, money matters, and social awareness. Current Community-Based Projects are at the core of what we do.



Our students explored Social Justice through the intersection of Art + Social Justice Activism while working with teachers and resident artists from the Watermill Center. They gained first-hand experience studying change while becoming Change Makers. The series will culminate in a final project of public works.



In collaboration with Goat on a Boat, a non-profit puppet theater, our teens are learning the profession of puppetry. In the workshop, students build their own Muppet - style puppet, learn manipulation techniques for stage and camera, work with a composer to create their own musical number, and have an opportunity to perform.



The Teens are excited to embark on a second year of Inter-generational gardening. This work is an act of uniting our community seniors with our younger generations. Teens work alongside seniors from planting to harvesting, making for a fortified common-ground activity and vast space for learning!



The outdoor Veranda is a highlight for the new building. It is a wonderful way to enter the building from the QUAD. We now actually have a Center Campus on the six acres donated by Dorothy Brush in 1952 to create The Center! The veranda was beautifully designed by architect Sammi Siamak. It looked amazing with the columns adorned in Christmas lights for the first time. We are grateful to THAYER'S Hardware and Patio for the outdoor furniture. The veranda will provide outdoor space during inclement weather for our Summer Program, After-School, Clubs, and more.



We plan to have a Ribbon Cutting and Community Celebration to showcase the NEW CENTER this year. We are living with our new space and discovering new needs weekly. We want to be sure that we maximize all our spaces, as we work on furnishing, planning rooms, and adorning our walls with art by our children and teens.

Our Memorial/Alumni Garden is being designed by Edmund Hollander Design and will hopefully be installed this year. It will include part of the original chimney from the old farmhouse that has the signatures of many of our visiting community speakers from past decades. The garden will have pathways with the memory bricks which are being sold on our website.



Our fields have been improved thanks to the generosity of Edwina von Gol. Our kids will at long last finally have level playing fields for Soccer, Kickball, Baseball, and so much more. A community effort helped refurbish our basketball court.

**WE THANK EVERYONE WHO HELPED US
MAKE OUR DREAM OF THE NEW BUILDING
COME TRUE.**

THE NEED IS STILL THERE

The Center is a full-service community center. As you see - we are growing!
We need more teachers, assistants, more equipment, and supplies.
ALL our programs are expanding.

OUR FOOD PANTRY CONTINUES TO SERVE HUNDREDS WEEKLY.
WE NEED FINANCIAL SUPPORT, AND INTERIOR AND LANDSCAPING HELP.
WE ARE WORKING ON INCREASING OUR VOLUNTEER CORE.

THIS IS A PIVOTAL MOMENT FOR GROWTH FOR THE CENTER.
PLEASE HELP US GROW.

UPCOMING EVENTS



- **JULY 4TH: BRIDGEHAMPTON DAY**
- **JULY 29TH: JAZZ SOUL CELEBRATION**
FOOD & DANCING UNDER A TENT IN BRIDGEHAMPTON
- **AUG- NOV: 4TH ANNUAL BLACK FILM FESTIVAL**
AT THE PARRISH, SAG HARBOR CINEMA
& BAY STREET THEATER
- **AUG 18TH: THINKING FORWARD LECTURE SERIES**
"EQUALITY MATTERS IN THE HAMPTONS"
NIKOLE HANNAH -JONES
NYT MAGAZINE & CREATOR OF 1619 PROJECT
- **SEPT 28TH: MAIDSTONE GOLF OUTING**

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