



Latham COMMUNITY CENTER

Transforming Brewster's former Fire Museum into a Center for all

\$2.1M GOAL

ABOUT LATHAM CENTERS

- Latham Centers, Inc. is a vital non-profit human service agency serving individuals with intellectual disabilities throughout Cape Cod and southeastern Massachusetts.
- Latham's programs include an intensive therapeutic Children's Services residential school and Adult Services program including 12 group residences and individualized supported community living settings. Latham operates around the clock, 365 days per year.
- Latham provides services to individuals with Prader-Willi syndrome (PWS) and other complex special needs. Latham is the only specialized resource for PWS on the east coast serving both children and adults.
- Nearly 50% of our students and 80% of our adult residents have PWS, a life-threatening genetic disorder with no known cure.
- Latham also provides care to children and adults with multiple diagnoses which can include Autism spectrum disorders (ASD) and Reactive attachment disorder (RAD). Many of these individuals have histories of neglect or abuse, resulting in severe emotional and behavioral problems.
- Latham is a major economic driver on the Cape, employing over 265 people year-round and doing business with over 500 vendors throughout the region.



Latham Centers compassionately and creatively helps children and adults with complex special needs, including Prader-Willi syndrome, to lead meaningful, abundant lives.

THE \$2.1M CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Latham Centers has raised over \$1.3 million of its \$2.1M capital campaign goal and plans are underway to transform the former New England Fire and History Museum building into a vibrant new Latham Community Center. Located at 1439 Main Street (Route 6A) in Brewster, Massachusetts, the museum honored the history of firefighters in New England. After the museum closed, its trustees offered the property to Latham for one dollar. Their significant gift inspired Latham's Community Center vision.



THE NEED

- Latham Centers' Children's and Adult Services programs are at capacity, and space on campus cannot accommodate the programs' needs.
- The new Latham Community Center will provide space for expanded health, fitness, vocational, and enrichment activities.
- Adult residents will have a place to establish and maintain important social connections beyond their individual residences.
- The Center will be the new home of the Latham Players performing arts group and the training camp for Latham's Special Olympians.

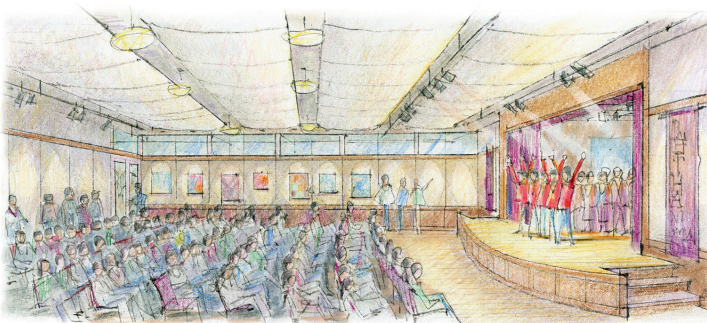
THE NEW COMMUNITY RESOURCE

- The Latham Community Center will be open to the community and civic organizations for meetings, programs, and the performing arts.
- Revitalization of the property will enhance the landscape on Route 6A (the historic Old Kings Highway) and will assimilate with the architecture of the Brewster community.
- The Latham Community Center will serve as a hub for the special needs community on the Cape, fostering collaborations and social connection.

THE PROJECT

Latham Centers envisions a Community Center where Latham staff, students, adult residents, and community members can be physically active, learn, explore, and connect. For the individuals who call Latham home, the Center will provide opportunities for community inclusion.

- Renovations will include structural work, upgrades, and repairs to the building systems.
- Further work will be done to bring the building up to code for accessibility and safety.
- The Community Center will feature a gymnasium, fitness center, art room, recreation space, auditorium and stage, technology room, wood shop, and classroom.
- The facility will be designed to reflect the character of the community and to enhance the natural beauty of the area.
- The grounds will feature ample parking, a safe, close vehicle drop-off area near the main entrance, pedestrian crossings, improved lighting, safe walkways, and areas to gather.



DONOR RECOGNITION

Donor recognition opportunities encourage, acknowledge, and appreciate the individuals, families, foundations, and businesses that participate in raising the \$2.1M to complete the renovation.

In order to publicly honor those giving \$5,000 or more over a five-year pledge period, several Naming Opportunities are available.

To learn more about available Naming Opportunities or the various ways to give, please contact Heather R. Kelsey, Director of Development, at **hkelsey@lathamcenters.org** or **(508) 896-5776 ext. 215**.

To Donate

Online: <https://www.lathamcenters.org/how-you-can-help/capital-campaign/>

By Mail: Please make checks payable to Latham Centers and mail to

Latham Centers Capital Campaign, 14 Lots Hollow Road, Orleans, MA 02653

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