



AN OPEN LETTER

*Respectfully signed by these
community organizations*

Council on Aging Board

Dover Church

The Dover Foundation

The Dover Historical Society

Dover Mothers' Association

Dover Park and Rec Commission

Dover PTO (Chickering)

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D-S High School PTO

D-S Middle School PTO (POSITIVE)

The Friends of the Dover Library

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St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church

To all residents of the Town of Dover ~

*There will be a Special Town Meeting on October 7th
2019 at the Mudge Auditorium at 7pm. The purpose of
this meeting is to decide on the future of the Caryl
Community Center.*

*We envision a community center that promotes and
provides quality activities and services that will
contribute to the physical, emotional and social
well-being of the Dover community.*

***Our goal is to create a community center that is
truly the center of the Dover community.***

*This community center will provide supervised
program opportunities for the enrichment of our
children and teens, activities for senior citizens, and
affordable recreational, social and educational
activities for all community residents.*

***Our vision is for a community center which
looks, feels and brings people together as a
community space should.***

*The Caryl Community Center was not built for the
purpose envisioned above. It is a repurposed school
building that was transferred from the Dover School
Committee to the Board of Selectmen in 2002. At the
time of the transfer there was no vision for a
community center, but the Board of Selectmen had
established a Caryl Re-use Committee, one of many
committees asked to review options for Caryl's use
over time. The Board of Selectmen committed to
maintaining the building until such time as a vision
was created.*

We believe that time is now.

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Critical to the success of this community center will be the collaboration between town departments, non-profit organizations and community residents, as well as the exemplary management of the center and its activities.

We want our community center to be something we can all be proud of. We are all committed to helping make this happen.

The Caryl Community Center Project Committee has been exploring options for making this vision a reality, and if you have not already done so you are welcome to attend one of their presentations or visit www.carylproject.info to find out more before the meeting in October where you will have the opportunity to cast your vote.

As you explore the options presented by the Caryl Community Center Project Committee you will learn about major renovation and new construction options.

We, the signatories of this open letter, encourage you to consider option 1 (renovate) or option 2 (new build) but will not suggest which option should be chosen.

We are committed to our vision of a community center, but it will be the voting residents of the Town of Dover who will decide which option the Town should pursue.

We encourage all residents to learn more about the community center initiative and to plan to attend the meeting in October.