



People's Arc of Suffolk

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We create communities where people of all ages and abilities can enjoy life to its fullest.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Friday, October 30, 2026

Deborah Pflieger
President

Dear Families,

Brian O'Reilly
Treasurer

We have reached a turning point in the story of The People's Arc of Suffolk. On Tuesday, October 27, we completed the sale of 2900 Veterans Memorial Highway in Bohemia, our home for decades, and on Thursday, October 29, we completed the purchase of our new building at 2100 Middle Country Road in Centereach.

James P. O'Connor
Secretary

Patricia Craig

Saying goodbye to Bohemia is bittersweet. It is hard to put into words what that building has meant to so many of us. Friendships began there. Milestones were celebrated there. Families and staff built something special within those walls, and we are deeply grateful for every part of it. That history does not stay behind. It comes with us.

Alden B. Kaplan

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As much as we will miss Bohemia, we are truly excited about what lies ahead. This move is the next step toward a future where the people we support are not defined by a single building but are part of the communities they call home: meeting neighbors, building friendships, and taking part in everyday life. That future is already taking shape. All but one of our new Program Without Walls community sites are secured, and the last is in the final stages of negotiation.

SUFFOLK FOUNDATION

Christina Goerler
President

That vision is grounded in our priorities of People, Community, and Opportunity, and in our belief that a good life is built on relationships, belonging, and choice. This move is an opportunity to bring that belief to life in a bigger way than ever before.

Scott Achtziger

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Growing into that vision also means taking an honest look at how we do things, including how we communicate with you. We had hoped to share this news before the sale closed, as we said we would, but the timeline moved faster than any of us expected. We regret that. Strengthening how we listen to and stay connected with families is part of becoming The People's Arc, and we will carry that lesson with us into every step ahead.

EXECUTIVE TEAM

John McGuigan
Chief Executive Officer

With the sale of our Bohemia building and the purchase of our Centereach building now complete, we can begin the next phase of detailed planning for our Day Habilitation program. This will include preparing our new space, developing transition timelines, and working closely with individuals and families to ensure a successful move. It is important to note that these real estate transactions do not mean that people attending our Day Habilitation program will be moving right away. There is still considerable planning and preparation ahead, and we will share anticipated timelines as they become clearer so that families remain informed and involved throughout the process.

Christopher Veros
Chief Financial Officer

Mary Fu
Chief Advancement Officer

Brian Cabezas
Chief People Experience Officer

Heather Thorgersen
Chief Program Officer

One of the best ways to stay informed and involved is to join us at our next Family Information Sessions. We will share where things stand, walk through the next steps for Day Habilitation, and answer every question you bring. Just as important, we want to listen. Your perspectives, concerns, and ideas will help shape what comes next.

Thank you for your trust, your patience, and your partnership. We are building something new, and I am grateful to be building it with you.

With gratitude,

John McGuigan
Chief Executive Officer
The People's Arc of Suffolk



FAMILY INFORMATION SESSIONS

WITH PEOPLE'S ARC OF SUFFOLK LEADERSHIP



Join CEO John McGuigan for an update on what's happening at People's Arc.

TOPICS TO BE DISCUSSED:



**GENERAL
UPDATES**

**NEW
LOCATIONS**

**BOHEMIA
MOVE**

Upcoming Family Information Sessions:

IN PERSON

2900 VETERANS MEMORIAL HWY., BOHEMIA, NY 11716

- **MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2026, AT 5:00 PM**
- **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2026, AT 11:00 AM**
- **THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2026, AT 5:00 PM**

VIRTUAL

- **VIRTUAL SESSION ON MICROSOFT TEAMS
(DATE AND TIME TBD) LINKS WILL BE
AVAILABLE ON WEBSITE**

*Be sure to check our website for all updates regarding the move, info sessions and townhall meetings!

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