

## FROM THE BOARD PRESIDENT

Dear Friends,

Spring is a time of new beginnings. The Brookline Senior Center Foundation is in full “new beginnings” swing! We look forward to honoring our beloved Ruthann Dobek, our Director for 40+ years at our April 27th Appreciation Celebration. And, we’re delighted to welcome Emily Williams as our new Director!



Betsy Pollock

Transitions are bittersweet. We will greatly miss Ruthann Dobek, who has created a nurturing culture, while incorporating creative programs that meet the needs of older residents. Emily Williams will no doubt take the baton and bring her wealth of experience and skills to accomplish further goals.

At the time of this writing, we’re living with the uncertainty of government-funded programs. If you would like your representatives to know how you feel you can contact them:

Representative Jake Auchincloss

<https://auchincloss.house.gov/contact/emailme>

Phone: (617) 332-3333

Senator Elizabeth Warren

<https://www.warren.senate.gov/contact/email-me>

Phone: (617) 565-3170

Senator Edward Markey

<https://www.markey.senate.gov/contact/share-your-opinion>

Phone: (617) 565-8519.

Twenty-five years ago, the Brookline Senior Center first opened the doors. Those who advocated for the building persevered diligently. It was hard work. I know. Because in addition to Ruthann Dobek and other courageous Brookline residents, I was there, fighting for our cause.

The Brookline Senior Center is a vital resource that many rely on for social services, transportation, physical fitness, mental health, food security, companionship, entertainment, activities, and more.

Please join me on Sunday, April 27th, 4:00 to 6:00 PM to toast Ruthann Dobek, and support the Brookline Senior Center Foundation. Together we will secure the next 25 years! For further information: <https://tinyurl.com/appreciationCelebration>

Warm regards,

*Betsy Pollock*

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