

FROM THE DIRECTOR

Dear Friends and Community Members,

October is a month of change—shorter days, cooler air, and the beauty of leaves turning. Here at the Senior Center, it's also a month of celebration and new beginnings.

I am honored to share that Conor McDermott-Welch has been promoted to our Social Work Clinical Supervisor position. Conor's deep commitment to our older adults, his steady guidance, and his thoughtful leadership have been invaluable to both staff and participants. Please join me in congratulating him on this well-deserved recognition.

We also extend a warm welcome to Sebastian Ware, who has recently joined our staff as our Transportation Program Coordinator. Sebastian brings energy, fresh ideas, and a passion for serving our community. We look forward to the many contributions he will make as part of our team. As our community transportation needs evolve, please share your individual needs with him during his office hours, via a phone call at 617-730-2644 , or by email at sware@brooklinema.gov.

This October also marks a special milestone for our partners at BrooklineCAN (Brookline Community Aging Network) as they celebrate 15 years of advocacy, information, and engagement in support of older residents. Their leadership and collaboration have strengthened our entire town, and we are proud to celebrate this anniversary as their community partner. It's hard to believe that just 10 years prior to their founding, the Senior Center was constructed. What are your ideas for the future of aging in Brookline? Stop by sometime to let us know.

As we embrace the fall season, may we take inspiration from these moments of growth and renewal. I hope to see you at the Center soon—whether for a program, SHINE appointment, cup of coffee, or simply to connect with friends.

Please be well and always be sure to check in on your neighbors.

Emily J. Williams
Director

