

FROM THE DIRECTOR

Dear Friends and Community Members,

I cannot believe it is December 2025. I want to extend my heartfelt gratitude to every member of the Brookline Senior Center community. Our remarkable staff, devoted volunteers, and steadfast community partners continue to amaze me with their compassion, creativity, and commitment to supporting older adults in Brookline. Your advocacy and hard work make our mission possible every single day.

I would also like to offer special thanks to the Brookline Senior Center Foundation and the Council on Aging Board. Your guidance, generosity, and unwavering support strengthen our programs, sustain our collective vision, and help us remain a welcoming home for all who enter through our doors.

This year has brought important transitions. With certain federal funding coming to an end, we are preparing thoughtfully for the future and how we will fill the gaps in service needs. While this landscape is shifting, we are entering the new year with purpose and optimism. Our strategic plan includes responsible space expansion, innovation in programming, a new database called MySeniorCenter, a community needs assessment with UMass Boston, and new collaborations with the Teen Center. We are excited to be partnering with additional nonprofits in Brookline, expanding our reach and creating more opportunities for those we serve.

As we look ahead, I am continually inspired by the spirit of Brookline—a community that shows up for its neighbors, celebrates diversity, and treats older adults with dignity and warmth. This spirit carries us forward and reminds us of what is possible when we work together.

During this holiday season, I wish you and your loved ones peace, good health, and moments of joy. May the coming year bring renewed energy, meaningful connections, and continued community strength.

With peace and warm holiday wishes,

Emily J. Williams

Director

"Whatever affects one directly, affects us all indirectly."
MLK

