Monday, November 4, 2013 began a new chapter in the story of Operation P.E.A.C.E. as we opened our new Learning Center in Codman Square. The new center, located in the Noral Apartments at 15 Norfolk St., includes a school-age education center, cooking space, arts and crafts area, children’s reading library, and computer lab...all available free of charge to residents and the community.

“We are excited about offering our programs to more Boston families with our second location and look forward to enriching family and community life in the Dorchester neighborhood,” David O'Donnell, executive director of Operation P.E.A.C.E., said in a statement. “Our free learning programs are available to the whole community with courses for children and adults, unemployed residents, new English speakers and senior citizens.”

Wingate Companies, our long-time supporter also contributed funds for the new center. “We are grateful to all those who joined together to make this center a reality,” said Mark Schuster, principal of Wingate Companies, in a statement. “Based on the warm welcome we have received from the Dorchester community, we are confident Operation P.E.A.C.E. will become a vibrant neighborhood resource for local families to learn key life skills.”

As many of you know, we opened our first Boston location in the Fenway area in 2001. State Representative Russell Holmes who was in attendance commented, “We welcome a great program…"
Peterborough Senior Center (cont.)

…to bid farewell to our outgoing director Christine Araujo and part-time assistant Santosh Sharma, both of whom have served the Fenway seniors so well in the past.

Operation P.E.A.C.E. is looking forward to building upon the good work of those before us and will continue to deliver programs that engage while maintaining a ‘family neighborhood’ feel.

[Look to this space in future issues for news about our seniors.]

Opening (cont.)

…with proven success to the Codman Square neighborhood,” He went on to say, “Operation P.E.A.C.E. brings a much-needed resource that will fill the void of afterschool, computer lab and ESL training, not only to Wingate residents but the entire community.”

Snowstorm reminder: For your safety, if Boston Public Schools are closed, so too are all Operation P.E.A.C.E. programs. Thank you.

∗ Holiday Hours ∗

Operation P.E.A.C.E. will be closed as follows:

After School:
December 23rd – January 2nd

Learning Centers & Senior Center:
December 24th – December 27th
December 31st – January 2nd

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To enrich family and community life in the Boston area through educational programs, language courses, and technology resources.

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