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Local Foundation Supports Barry L. Price Intensive Day Habilitation Center
Dedham Savings Foundation Funds Sensory Room for Price Attendees

(Dedham, MA) The Barry L. Price Rehabilitation Center, Inc. (The Price Center), operates an Intensive Day Habilitation Center in Dedham, MA to support individuals with a primary diagnosis of severe to profound cognitive disabilities. Individuals supported by this program are predominantly non-verbal and many are non- ambulatory. Because individuals can benefit greatly from service plans that include communication development, sensory integration, and other activities to promote range of motion and gross motor skills, staff at the Dedham based facility sought funding for construction of a “Sensory Room”.

The Dedham Savings Foundation has been a long- time supporter of The Price Center and has contributed to funding the “Sensory Room” at the Dedham Facility. According to Justin Sallaway, President of The Price Center, “A Sensory Room is a place where people with special needs can explore and develop their senses and skills in an environment where the outside world is completely absent. The room provides sensory stimulation and relaxation to individuals with different therapeutic needs. It’s calming for some who are overstimulated and alerting for those who are under aroused. If you took a walk through our Center, you’d see how important such a safe haven is for our clients. We couldn’t be more thrilled to have the Dedham Savings Foundation fund our efforts for the Sensory Room.”

In late summer, members of the Bank’s management team toured the space designated for the “Sensory Room.” Bank CEO Peter Brown and COO Gerard Lavoie have long relationships with The Price Center, but continue to be fascinated by the progress of the Center and its latest venture to build the “Sensory Room.” Peter Brown commented, “Having an area at the Dedham Price Center where clients can receive visual, tactile, mobility, sound, and other stimulation is special for clients and the Bank’s Foundation is very pleased to be able to support the building of this great space.

Final construction of the “Sensory Room” has been completed. For more information, contact Eileen Nee, Director of Intensive Day Habilitation, Dedham, MA: 781-329-2961.

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