



Town of Northport

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A community of neighbors, a tradition of caring since 1796

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Dear Neighbor:

Have you heard the latest about the new Northport Community Center and Town Office? After years of planning and preparing, we are ready to stop talking and start building.

Last June Northport voters approved a municipal bond up to \$3.5 million, and in November 2025 we received \$2.325 million in Federal funding. Those resources, along with some preliminary fundraising, have energized the project and we now have enough to move ahead with construction. We are ready to go!

Our goal now is to continue to raise funds in order to reduce as much as possible the amount the Town needs to borrow. Over the past year a small team of volunteers and Town officials has been working quietly to organize fundraising strategy, solicit early gifts, and apply for grants. As of this month, we've raised nearly \$200,000 in gifts and pledges.

We are writing to invite all Northport residents to join this community effort by pitching in, either with:

- A monetary contribution or pledge, small or large – of *any* denomination. *Every dollar we raise now is one we won't have to borrow and pay interest on.* No contribution is too small. (Nor is any contribution too large!)
- Volunteer your time for tasks, such as helping with the move to our temporary office next door, or help organize community events. Sign up at the Town Office!
- An in-kind contribution – see James Kossuth, Town Administrator, for suggestions.
- Most important: spread the word and join the fun at community gatherings.

If you have been thinking about contributing to your Town, now is the time for *all hands on deck!* We look forward to hearing from you.

*Ann Frenning Kossuth, Fundraising Chair
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James Kossuth, Town Administrator*

Contributions can be made at the Town Office, or via the Town website (tinyurl.com/northport-builds) or by contacting James Kossuth, Town Administrator (administrator@northportmaine.org). If you have questions or would like to discuss the project in person, contact James Kossuth.