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Father & Daughter Valentine Dance

TAPPLY-THOMPSON COMMUNITY CENTER

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Mission, Vision, Values

Mission: Building a stronger community through enriching activities, recreation & family support

Vision: A community where people of all ages are engaged, encouraged, and nurtured

Values: We embrace our core values of:

⇒ Creating a community of warmth and belonging, where everyone is welcome

⇒ Being responsible stewards by leading with honesty, integrity and transparency

⇒ Collaborating as a regional community of municipalities, schools, other area organizations, businesses and supporters to continue to grow, evolve, and adapt in changing times



TAPPLY-THOMPSON COMMUNITY CENTER

2025-26 Annual Newsletter

Where Community Comes Together

Join us in coming together to ensure the community center continues to do the transformational work we have done for almost eighty years now. We have just finished our major renovation and security installation project known as 'A Safe Place to Call Home'. With the help of all our Community Partners and Supporters we were able to install a building-wide security system, an ADA compliant entrance and Lift to our program spaces, brand new offices, a new gymnasium floor, a sprinkler system, four new bathrooms, a new music room, and so much more.

We have also had record numbers for all our programs including 264 summer camp registrants, over one hundred afterschool participants, and 272 baseball and softball sign-ups. Our public benefit programs Every Child is Ours and Operation Warm continue to see increased demand, as we delivered 178 food bags per week, and provided 153 children with warm winter gear this past year. Our Westward Bound Teen Expedition Project just celebrated its 15th year and has taken close to 200 students on a once-in-a-lifetime trip to the Western United States since we began in 2007. The TTCC is able to do all this and more with your generous support. Thank you!

One of our biggest goals the past few years was to have a safe and welcoming place for people to use and enjoy. We have accomplished

this through our Million-dollar renovation and security installation at our current building on 30 North Main Street, as we have begun planning on a New Community Center to be built in the next several years. This second building will house a full-sized gymnasium and additional program space to serve our ever-growing communities. We have received a \$1,500,000 federal grant to make that dream a reality and are asking for your help in climbing to the next plateau.

You help to make all of this possible. Your tax-deductible gift helps us to send a kid to summer camp, provide a meal for families over the weekend and to provide warm and dry clothing to those in need. You can make a donation by going to www.ttcrc.org or by going online on Giving Tuesday, December 2nd and following the links to donate. The TTCC is a 501(c)(3) Non-profit and all donations are tax deductible! Thank you so much for your support and have a Wonderful Holiday Season!

For more information on how you can help, please call the Community Center at (603) 744-2713 or email us at info@ttccrec.org.

You can also visit our website at <https://ttccrec.org/> or on our Facebook Page at <https://www.facebook.com/TTCC1946>. Thank you for your support!! With gratitude, The Bristol Recreation Advisory Council and Staff.



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Summer Camp Overnight

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DID YOU KNOW?...

Under the leadership of the first Director of the Bristol Community Center, the importance of a community recreation program became a reality. A Fair Share system was created to include all towns in the Newfound Region. The total town investment was 50% of the total budget. Over the years the TTCC Board has worked to decrease the amount paid by our participating towns. Currently the total town investment each year is 27% of the total cost to provide our services.

Our After School and Summer Day Camp programs are full each year. With the cost of staffing and program costs the expenses far outweigh the revenue from program fees. In the past year the cost of these programs was \$388,000 with fees covering \$228,000. The remaining funds are raised through fundraisers, donations, and grants. These programs allow families to have a safe, nurturing environment for their children while they work.

The TTCC has received the following grants over the past year.

- \$933,804 for TTCC building renovation
- \$25,050 for Every Child is Ours
- \$10,000 for Operation Warm
- \$23,500 to build out a music room & purchase instruments
- \$28,000 for program scholarships



Westward Bound at Bryce Canyon National Park in Utah

Annual Thanksgiving Turkey Trot

The TTCC in collaboration with Newfound Country Store hold an annual Thanksgiving Day race to raise funds to help those in need during the holiday season and beyond. In 2024 the race raised \$14,000 to be used to purchase gas, food and clothing gift cards. Funds have also been used to purchase glasses and other necessary items for local youth. The 2024 event had 330 trotters participate!

New This Year!

The Strum & Drum Jam Lab was created during our building renovation. We received grants for instruments and outfitting of a music room in the lower level of the Center. We are now offering guitar, ukelele & percussion lessons for all ages along with the opportunity for experienced musicians to participate in a “Jam Ensemble”!



Bridgewater Turkey Trot



Music Lessons

Additional Program Numbers & Stats...

- ❖ The TTCC has provided \$40,489.50 in program scholarships over the past 12 months as we believe that no child should be denied access to our programs due to financial hardship
- ❖ The TTCC offered over 75 programs last year with over 7,000 participants! We offer adult, youth, teen, community outreach & special events all year long. We had almost 600 volunteers help us offer all of these amazing programs – from coaching youth sports, to helping with the marathon, setting up Santa’s Village & everything in between, volunteers have committed countless hours to helping the TTCC!



Operation Warm

- ❖ We have an amazing Teen Council made up of 26 teens from the high school who logged a total of 985 volunteer hours over the course of the school year from helping coach lil’ kicks & lil’ hoops, to hosting Parent Night Out events & being at almost every TTCC special event in one way or another.
- ❖ We had 75 couples participate in the annual Father & Daughter Valentine dance, one of our favorite events we host during the year!
- ❖ Santa’s Village is still going strong in its 70th year as we again saw over 1,000 visitors come into the TTCC to see Santa, Mrs. Claus, the Polar Express train station, Santa’s elves &



Santa’s Village

more. This program takes over 100 volunteers to make happen!

- ❖ Our Shape Up Newfound exercise classes are still going strong as well! We’ve been offering these exercises classes for many years right at the Bristol Elementary open to people of all fitness levels. Classes take place 3 times per week and have an average of 15-20 participants each class!
- ❖ We hosted our Annual One Stop Christmas Shop and had over 300 local youth participate. Shoppers in grades K-8 can come in and have a shopping elf help them gather gifts for family & friends. All items are under \$6 and each shopper leaves with presents wrapped & tagged!
- ❖ New this year – we offered a few bus trips! We partnered with Plymouth Parks & Rec and took a bus to see Cirque Dreams Holiday event at the Verizon Wireless Arena in Manchester last Christmas. More recently, we partnered with Plymouth again to see the Boston Lights Lantern Experience at the Franklin Park Zoo. We hope to continue to offer these types of trips in the future!
- ❖ This year’s NH Marathon, the 32nd year of this local event, had record numbers with 864 registered runners! This event also takes over

100 volunteers to ensure the race goes off smoothly. We had runners from 43 different states, Washington DC & several international runners from five different countries. We had participants from ages 6 up to 79 participate in one of the days events – marathon, half marathon, 10K & kids race.



NH Marathon

- ❖ We have 210 pickleball players currently signed up to participate in this year round program. Players utilize Kelley Park for outdoor play & the TTCC for indoor play. This program is ever growing as participants can sign up for any number of available slots we offer. We offer play 6 days a week, 4 slots per day & 6 players per slot indoors & that doubles for outdoor play!
- ❖ We offered 29 different youth sports opportunities that saw 798 participants from baseball to track & field to field hockey! To offer all of these opportunities, we needed over 250 volunteers to coach these young athletes, prep the fields, run the concession stand, etc.
- ❖ We offer teen night once a week during the school year for middle schoolers on up to have their opportunity to come play at the TTCC – we offer dinner, games, music & more! There were 109 registered participants and we averaged 30-40 teens each night.

Testimonials

❖ “I’m not sure if I’ve mentioned this before to you, but my husband and I had been considering building our next home in another district. However, since becoming part of TTCC, we’ve decided to stay right here in the Newfound district. We genuinely appreciate everything you do, and we both agree that you’re the #1 reason we’re not moving out of the area.”

❖ This is one of the most amazing places with the most amazing people working there to share their time, comfort, love, and care for the children of the Newfound Area. They were not only there for my children but also my grandchildren. They are needed in this community more than I could ever express. So please let’s show them how much we appreciate them by donating. Even a little goes a long way.”

❖ “Great staff, dedicated volunteers, outstanding role models for kids... constantly evolving and trying new things, while holding on to great traditions!”

❖ “We adopted our granddaughter in the midst of COVID and after she had been in Foster Care for months. To say this was challenging is an understatement. She had not been socialized or been given structure. After two daycare programs were unsuccessful we found the TTCC. We cannot speak highly enough about what the TTCC has done for our grandchild. She has grown into a wonderful human being and learned to be loving and caring. She has learned how to work and play together with other children and to love her community. We cannot thank them enough for everything!”

❖ “I just wanted to give a shout out to your camp directors. They have been absolutely amazing. It’s obvious they love what they do and they are truly awesome with the kids. Glad the kids have such a wonderful place to spend their summers.”



Granite State Track & Field



Summer Camp at Squam Lake Science Center

Quotes in regards to new property purchase & plans to build a new facility for the community...

❖ This will be incredible for everyone. Investing in our youth, for the future of our community.

❖ There are so many behind the scenes blessings the Community Center does for our Newfound

region. What they could do with more space for our youth, teens, the benefits for parents with time and help as well as our seniors is impossible to put a value on.

❖ This is awesome! The TTCC does so much for the youth of this area- it’s so awesome to see them getting more space to continue to provide some amazing resources and opportunities for the community!

❖ The TTCC is the heart of this community; invest in them just as they do you.

❖ Best idea I’ve seen yet Ttcc serves it’s purpose and has for many many years .. if this town needs anything it’s more of this right here Keep these kids active and in their own head space and not out running the streets, great idea.

❖ This is a Wonderful Opportunity for the TTCC. Our Community has Benefited in so many ways from all of the Opportunities provided by the TTCC. They offer so many Wonderful Programs for all Ages. Can’t wait to see This Property when it Finished and open to all.



Mother & Son Game Night



Clockwise: Basketball Tourney Champs Camper enjoying Cliff Island Gina, Dan & Les - ready for Santa’s Village, Special treat at Parents Night Out, TTCC’s Sporty McScarecrow, and Summer fun at the playground.



TTCC Summer Camp Staff

How can you support our mission? A donation envelope is enclosed.



Soccer



K-2 Field Hockey

Or you can use our QR code to donate online!

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