Doli Atamian Campership Program, Inc.

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Dear Local Businesses,

Greetings from the Doli Atamian Campership Program! While many of you have contributed generously to our cause in the past, we want to reach out to everyone in our local business community. Here are some important facts to know about us:

- The DACP raises funds from individuals, churches, businesses and civic organizations to provide a camp or summer school experience for children of low income families who reside in Acton or Boxborough.
- The organization was begun in 1995 in honor of Doli Atamian, a local educator and Acton Housing Authority employee who worked tirelessly to provide summer enrichment for her families.
- Our former President and dearly loved colleague Betty McManus oversaw our incorporation as a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization in 2000, and furthered the mission until her unexpected death last summer.
- Last year we funded 102 camperships up to \$250 each, and some camps donated and partnered with us to provide additional resources when needed.
- Our board is staffed by volunteers, and we work closely with the Acton Boxborough Regional School District and the Housing Authorities in Acton and Boxborough to reach out to eligible families.
- All donated funds go directly to camperships, with the exception of paper and postage.
- All businesses are recognized for their donations on our website and in our publications.
- To date we have never had to turn away an eligible applicant or disappoint a family in need.

A summer enrichment experience is invaluable for children with little access to recreational areas and limited opportunities to explore new interests and skills. Attached please find some thank-you notes from 2017 participants, to show how much of a difference this experience can make in the life of a child.

For the first time ever, this year donations can be made electronically, in addition to filling out the enclosed form and sending a check. Please visit our website (above) for more information. We recognize the value of local businesses in enriching our community. We hope you will partner with us on our mission to make a difference for our children.

Sincerely,

Andrea Hawthorne

David Christmas

Cheryl Beaudoin

Maura Champigny

T.J. Dyer

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