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Thru the Lens: Brady Sullivan donates \$20,000 to Granite YMCA

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Manchester, NH David Brady of Brady Sullivan Properties presented a check for \$20,000 CDFA tax credits to John Harris, president and CEO of The Granite YMCA. Also present for the donation was Hal Jordan, previous president/CEO of the Granite YMCA, Marlena Guay and Jennifer Stone of Brady Sullivan Properties.

Shown (from left) are: Hal Jordan, previous president/CEO Granite YMCA; David Brady, owner, Brady Sullivan; Marlena Guay, finance, Brady Sullivan; Jen Stone, commercial, Brady Sullivan; John Harris, president/CEO Granite YMCA.

Established in 1854, The Granite YMCA has over 25,000 members and serves over 35,000 individuals per year. It is comprised of five facilities and two overnight camps throughout New Hampshire. With an emphasis on serving a population of culturally diverse, low-to-moderate income kids, The Granite YMCA is developing a Center for Youth and Teen Leadership. The initiative calls for extensive renovations to the YMCA of Downtown Manchester branch to accommodate a wide variety of services including tutoring space, new STEM programs, a commercial kitchen, and robotics and media labs.

"Brady Sullivan's tax credit investment will help create a positive, safe afterschool destination for up to 1,100 students, and provide them with a multitude of educational, developmental, and vocational opportunities," said Harris.

Educational and exercise programs will also be offered. The Teen Center will serve as a meeting place for the Teen Leaders Club and other groups with amenities such as computers, gaming stations and a kitchen.

"The YMCA is an organization we care deeply about," Brady said. "They are essential to the community and we are always willing to do what we can to support The Granite YMCA and the opportunities they provide for Manchester, its surrounding communities and the residents of New Hampshire."

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