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Antinozzi Assocs. designs clubhouse for Wakeman Boys & Girls Club

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Bridgeport, CT Wakeman Boys & Girls Club (WBG) has broken ground for a new clubhouse. Antinozzi Associates Architecture and Interiors was proud to join the WBG team at the ground-breaking ceremony for the new facility located at 595 Madison Ave. on March 28th.

Manny Machado, project manager, and Michael Ayles, principal-in-charge were both on hand to represent Antinozzi Associates and pick up a shovel on behalf of the design team for this important day. Other Antinozzi team members who worked on the project include Brittney Dishian, senior interior designer; Kelly Prendergast, interior designer; Rosa Guzman, architectural designer; and Paul Antinozzi, who retired as president of the firm in 2021.

The Wakeman Boys & Girls Club Madison Ave. clubhouse will be a two-story, 44,230 s/f space. In close proximity to nine area schools, the clubhouse will have the capacity to serve 2,000 young people age 3 to 18. This new safe space will provide academic support, social and emotional

learning, and enrichment programs to the North End and Hollow neighborhoods of the city.

Consultants working with Antinozzi Associates to deliver the design for the Clubhouse include Southport Engineering Associates (M/E/P/FP), Cabezas-DeAngelis (site-civil design), Thomas Torrenti (structural design), Aris Land Studio (landscape design), and GZA (geo-technical services).

Construction on the clubhouse begins with the ground-breaking. The opening date is anticipated summer of 2023.

“The new clubhouse helps us fulfill our mission, to guide and inspire young people, especially those who need us most, to reach their potential,” said Wakeman Boys & Girls Club CEO, Sabrina Smeltz.

The new facility will include the following:

- Community meeting rooms and offices
- Gymnasium/field house
- Kitchen and café
- Learning center
- Licensed day care center
- Technology center
- Teen center
- Performing arts studio
- Stem learning space
- Game room