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Cresa provides project management to Just A Start move to 22,000 s/f

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Cambridge, MA Cresa has provided a full suite of project management services to its client, Just A Start. The project supported the development of Just A Start’s new headquarters, consolidating multiple programs and services under one roof. Just A Start’s new offices are located at 430 Rindge Ave., featuring 22,000 s/f of office, classrooms, workshops, and laboratory spaces.

Just A Start engaged Cresa’s project management team to oversee multiple phases of this project, which would give the nonprofit a central hub for the first time in its history. This represented a major transition in the organization’s mission and structure, and that alone demanded the full attention of its staff. Therefore, Cresa was engaged to organize and streamline the many different services, vendors, and activities involved in such a project, along with managing the myriad requirements attached to constructing a space with offices, a bio lab, an IT lab, and a woodshop.

Cresa was retained to coordinate the design and construction of the HQ office space, the installation

of furniture, fixtures, and IT and AV equipment, and also facilitated Just A Start's multi-phased relocation to occupy the new building.

"Working with the Cresa team gave us an incredible amount of peace of mind knowing we could concentrate on serving a population that depends on us every day for a wide range of services," said Carl Nagy-Koechlin, executive director, Just A Start. "When you have such a major transition in a nonprofit organization, it's essential to have a partner who can manage everything from furniture selection to permitting. They were truly in our corner."

Cresa's Boston team has deep experience in both project management and working with nonprofit entities. Cresa Project Management is an integrated service that interacts with its transaction management and workplace teams to execute each assignment, with the goal of delivering a seamless experience.

"At Cresa, we see every client as a true extension of our own team, so we embrace their challenges as our own," said Amy Braun, principal, Cresa Project Management. "Just A Start is an incredibly powerful organization that punches above its weight, and is relied upon by so many in Cambridge and throughout Massachusetts. We were thrilled to help them start this latest chapter in their incredible history."

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