

# Squamscott Community Commons announces new board

Capital drive launched  
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EXETER — Squamscott Community Commons (The Commons), a nonprofit organization in Exeter, recently announced the addition of Thom Kraus, Tim Phoenix and **Richard (Dick) Ingram** to its board of directors.

Kraus is president of the Exeter Area Chamber of Commerce and has served on various boards and advisory committees, including the United Way of Niagara, N.Y. Phoenix is founding vice president, managing director and general law practitioner at Hoefle, Phoenix & Gormley, P.A., in Portsmouth. He has been actively engaged with local nonprofits and is a former board member of the Seacoast Family YMCA in Portsmouth. Ingram is executive director of **The Housing Partnership** and chairman of the board of directors of SeaCare Health Services in Exeter. He has extensive experience leading nonprofits, including the Greater Portsmouth Chamber of Commerce and Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Greater Seacoast. He has served on various nonprofit boards throughout New Hampshire.

The Commons is in the early stages of a major capital campaign that seeks funding to construct a new 80,000-square-foot community center on Linden Street in Exeter that will include a new full-service YMCA facility with two indoor pools, a gymnasium, fitness center and indoor running track. Walking trails adjacent the new facility will offer public and recreational access. The building will integrate high-performance, sustainable design features that will reduce energy and operating costs for the six nonprofit agencies that will occupy the space.

Other planned tenants include the Richie McFarland Children's Center, SeaCare Health Services, Exeter Center for Creative Arts, Rockingham Community Action and Great Bay Kids' Company.

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