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Letter to the Editor: **\$8,750 Match Made for Community Child Care Center of Portsmouth**

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Dear Editor: The board and staff of the Community Child Care Center of Portsmouth wish to thank the greater seacoast community as it just made its 2011 Annual Appeal match. We received news of a match offer back in December. A few anonymous donors had collected \$8,750 between them for Community Child Care Center. Could CCCC raise \$8,750? Soon the word was out, via newspapers, radio, the center's website, Facebook and Twitter. It is wonderful that a few people chose to help us in this way, and that this challenge spurred on donations from new and existing donors who wanted to help be a part of our success story. Our programs and our mission to serve all families, with priority given to the most vulnerable families, have been made stronger. Big thanks to our working parents who contributed, former parents who gave, and business leaders who understand the economic impact of child care on the seacoast.

CCCC is the third largest licensed child care center in the State that provides a nurturing and stimulating early learning environment for children in the Seacoast New Hampshire area. The center provides nationally accredited early childhood education, and before & after school programming to over 280 children age 8 weeks through 12 years old. CCCC is committed to giving priority to low-income families in the seacoast, and advocates for children and families. In addition to early childhood at Community Campus, the center also has before and after school programs in all three Portsmouth Elementary Schools (PEAK), and Greenland Central School. The center also has an all inclusive preschool program for typically developing children and those with special needs in both Portsmouth and Greenland School Districts (The Community School). The center's next fundraiser is the *Dance for the Stars*, a silent and live auction, with food and live music happening in mid-April, 2011. For more information, call 603-422-8223.

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