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# DUNK IT AT THE DEWITT

A FULL COURT FUNDRAISER

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6:30 TO 8:30 PM

122 DEWITT DRIVE  
ROXBURY, MA

AN EVENING OF  
BASKETBALL, FOOD, MUSIC, AND FUN!



# Dear Friends and Supporters,

Madison Park Development Corporation is thrilled to invite you to join us in celebrating the mission of our community space, The Dewitt Center! This beautiful community space in the heart of Madison Park Village, where MPDC's earliest housing was built, has quickly become an irreplaceable part of the neighborhood. Its unique model has allowed dozens of program partners, many led by local leaders of color, to provide critically needed enrichment, mentoring, education, and recreation programming for hundreds of children and youth at the Dewitt Center at no cost to program partners.

Since opening in 2018, The Dewitt Center staff navigated the COVID-19 pandemic, difficult economic conditions, and a significant overall increase in community need in Roxbury and beyond. Through these challenges, The Dewitt Center has remained exceptionally nimble and responsive, stepping up to meet these community needs even as it had to shut its doors to in-person programming in 2020.

The strong foundation the center laid during its first year and a half, during which it established robust community partnerships, provided programming to hundreds of children, youth, and older adults, and attracted more than 3,000 visitors through education, training, and community-building events, allowed the center to make a seamless transition back to fully in-person activities in 2022. In addition to health and wellness offerings and providing technology access, the center has grown into a civic haven, symbolically and literally, even becoming a polling location in 2020.

We are so pleased to invite our partners, stakeholders, and donors back to The Dewitt Center, and we look forward to highlighting the center's resources, programming, and assets, including the beautiful gallery showcasing talented local artists of color, for both longstanding and new supporters.

The original concept for The Dewitt Center emerged directly out of community planning processes during which our residents developed the vision for this community resource, a vision that MPDC was honored to be able to make a reality. In order to ensure a successful, sustainable future in which The Dewitt Center remains a destination for high-quality community programs and provides even greater, more targeted services, we need the help of our donors. Will you join us in helping to ensure another 5, 10, or 25 years of even greater opportunity, connection, learning, collaboration, organizing, and celebrating? Your support as a sponsor of this inaugural gala will play a critical role in the community impact and legacy building of the Dewitt Center while also allowing you to participate in the Community Investment Tax Credit (CITC) program, which provides you with a 50% state tax rebate on your sponsorship of \$1,000 or more.

We invite all of you to join us as we celebrate this vibrant community space!

Donations of \$1,000 or more qualify you for the Community Investment Tax Credit (CITC) program, which provides a 50% state tax rebate. For example, a donation of \$25,000 qualifies you for a rebate of \$12,500.



# BRACKETS



## MOST VALUABLE PLAYER

\$25,000\*

Over the last six years, The Dewitt Center has added tremendous value to the neighborhood. Your investment of \$25,000 will make you the presenting sponsor and help us continue to deliver high quality programming to the residents of Madison Park's properties and the adjacent neighborhoods.

*In addition to invitations to the event, your company or organization can host an event or meeting at The Dewitt Center completely free of charge. Also, your logo prominently displayed on event banner that will remain in The Dewitt Center gym for the next year. You will be recognized in the upcoming Dewitt catalog, the event program, and social media.*

## MADISON PARK MENTOR

\$10,000\*

Mentoring is an important part of what happens at The Dewitt Center. Young people make life-long relationships with caring adults. Help us to keep these important connections alive for our amazing youth!

*In addition to invitations to the event, your logo will be displayed on event banner that will remain in the Dewitt Center gym for the next year. You will be recognized in the event program and social media.*

## SLAM DUNK SUPPORTER

\$5,000\*

The gym at The Dewitt Center is always a bustling place. Basketball tournaments are a favorite, but that's not all that happens in this beautiful multipurpose space. It is a place to exercise, gather, shop, and learn. Your sponsorship will help keep the courts as a safe place for youth and the entire community to gather.

*In addition to invitations to the event, your logo will be displayed on event banner that will remain in The Dewitt Center gym for the next year. You will be recognized in the event program and social media.*

## PLAZA PATRON

\$2,500\*

The outdoor plaza at the Dewitt Center is a place for the community to come together. We are planning a renovation of the plaza which will focus on climate resiliency and making this gathering space more inviting for all ages.

*In addition to an invitation to the event, you will be recognized in the event program and social media.*

## BASKET BOOSTER

\$1,000\*

Food brings people together. We love to feed people at The Dewitt Center. Every week, we host a food distribution for neighbors. We celebrate milestones and holidays with healthy meals. Your gift helps to feed folks in many ways.

*In addition to an invitation to the event, you will be recognized in the event program and social media.*

## GOOD SPORT

\$500

At The Dewitt Center we value generosity of spirit, community, entrepreneurship, and having fun! Your support helps us to continue to spread these values in Roxbury and beyond.

*You will receive an invitation to the event and will be recognized in the event program. This level does not qualify for the Community Investment Tax Credit.*