



Dear Friends,

Twelve-year-old Leah Matos-Jimenez loves her time at CPW's BRIDGE School. Math is her favorite subject. She also enjoys painting flowers, going on walks, and socializing with her classmates. "Sean makes silly faces, and Matthew likes to make up funny names. My friend taught me the words to my favorite song, *Viva la Vida*, and we sing it every day at recess."

In the BRIDGE program, Leah learns pre-vocational skills. She's a trainee in the Marketplace Express, CPW's in-house canteen, and she packs items for Feeding Westchester, a food bank serving local communities. Leah's schedule includes office skills and computer skills, as well as speech, physical, and occupational therapies. Her days are full and fulfilling. "It's a fun school!" she declares. "I'm happy here."

At CPW, our mission is to meet the complex needs of adults and children with special needs. Our rewards are the miracles we witness every day. A little boy takes his first halting steps. A little girl with autism speaks her first words. A proud young adult rides the bus to work independently. Since our founding in 1949, our Center has enabled thousands of people faced with extraordinary challenges to reach their potential and realize their dreams. We could not do this without the kindness and generosity of friends like you.

Thanks to you, CPW has been able to maintain and expand critical services, including construction of the new BRIDGE Training Center, geared to offer work-based life and learning skills to our high school and adult participants. The program will serve hundreds of teens and young adults living with disabilities.

In this season of thanksgiving and reflection, we are so grateful for your generosity.

Warm regards,



Linda Kuck, Executive Director



Richard N. Osterer, Board President

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