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Bristol Adult Resource Center

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To: Individuals, Parents/Guardians, Residential Providers and BARC Staff

From: Ivonne Daigle, Associate Executive Director, Program Services 

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RE: 225 North Main Street and 621 Jerome Avenue update

We are excited about the progress that has been made on our project at 225 North Main Street; it is really taking shape! The site has been bustling with workers from many different trades over the past few weeks, working on painting, installing cabinets, putting in flooring, and installing plumbing fixtures. We don't have exact move dates, yet, but we have determined that the move will actually happen in 3 phases. The first phase will be moving Mary Etter and our administrative staff to 225 North Main Street. Next, the program directors from Jerome Avenue will be relocated to North Main Street. Lastly, the IAP and Art programs will move into their new program space.

We have an inspection scheduled for next week to determine if we will be granted a certificate of occupancy for the office portion of the building. The certificate of occupancy is what determines when the moves will begin. Once we have a certificate of occupancy and construction is winding down, we will schedule times for program participants to visit the new building. We will also be setting up tours for family members and caregivers to visit the new location. People will get to see administrative and program staff in their new locations and see the future program spaces. Keep in mind that the program spaces will be pretty bare, since the furniture from their current locations will be used to furnish the new location.

We have determined that we will need to close our Art and IAP programs for one day while the move takes place. Once we determine the date, we will let you know.

We have been carefully considering how to best conduct morning drop-off and afternoon pick-up at the new location. We are working on the details and will reach out with specific instructions for each participant. Please note that the instructions will vary based on individual needs and departure/arrival time.

Once everyone has settled into the new space, we will begin developing our new autism/sensory program at North Main Street and our training programs at Jerome Avenue.

Feel free to visit BARC's website at bristolarc.org to see photographs and project updates.

If you have any questions, please contact Mary Etter (860-582-9102 x125 or metter@bristolarc.org) or Ivonne Daigle (860-582-9102 x131 or idaigle@bristolarc.org).