

## Lara Kritzer

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**From:** Jason Korb <jkorb@capstonecommunities.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 30, 2020 4:37 PM  
**To:** Lara Kritzer; Barney Heath  
**Subject:** Golda Meir House  
**Attachments:** Jason Korb.vcf

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Hi Barney and Laura,  
I hope you are well.

I'm writing as a member of the 2Life Real Estate Committee and also a Newton resident and Newton business owner to provide my strong support to 2Life's request for additional City of Newton CPA and HOME funding for Golda Meir House. This additional funding will provide support to allow 2Life to house more extremely low and very low income seniors, many of whom are struggling now more than ever due to COVID.

While there are a number of planned 40B developments in Newton, Golda is a true affordable development that provides housing to households far below 40B income limits. As you know, there are very few true affordable deals in Newton's pipeline similar to Golda Meir. CPA housing funds and HOME are intended for this exact purpose – to support individuals, families and seniors that desperately need true subsidized affordable housing.

After reviewing 2Life's pro forma, and as an affordable housing developer myself, I believe 2Life's total CPA/HOME request is very much in line with subsidy/unit allocations in other comparable communities.

Thank you for your consideration of this additional request.  
Best,  
Jason Korb  
21 Carver Road

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**From:** Paul Levy <plevy0808@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 23, 2020 7:22 PM  
**To:** Lara Kritzer  
**Subject:** 2Life proposal -- August 11 meeting

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Hello Lara,

I am writing to encourage the Community Preservation Program to approve the requested additional funds for the 2Life Communities Golda Meir House. As noted, the funds will provide a deeper level of affordability for residents in this facility. As such, the proposal is in accord with the purposes of the CPA and is also consistent with often-stated goals of the City of Newton to increase the stock of affordable housing.

As a member of the Board of 2Life Communities and a Newton resident, I thank you for your past support of this project and for considering this increase.

Sincerely,

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From: Merle Grandberg <merle.grandberg@gmail.com>  
Sent: Thursday, July 30, 2020 2:15 PM  
To: Barney Heath <bheath@newtonma.gov>  
Subject: 2Life Communities request for funds

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**Dear Mr. Heath:**

**My name is Merle Grandberg and I am the past Chair of the Board of 2Life Communities and am presently a Board member. I am also a resident of Newton.**

**I would like to encourage the Community Preservation Committee and Planning and Development Board to approve the additional funds for 2Life's Golda Meir House.**

**These funds will provide a deeper level of affordability for the residents that will move into the new apartments.**

**It will mean that the 68 new households will benefit from all the amazing programs and services 2Life already provides at Golda.**

**As a resident of Newton, I support allocating local funds for this project because it will result in more desperately needed affordable supportive senior housing.**

**I want to thank you for your prior support for this project and ask for your consideration of this additional request.**

**Best,  
Merle**

**Lara Kritzer**

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**From:** lynne elfland <lelfland@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, August 9, 2020 6:18 PM  
**To:** Lara Kritzer  
**Subject:** 2Life Communities Golda Meir House expansion

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Dear Ms. Kritzer:

My name is Lynne Elfland and I have been a resident of Newton for over 25 years. My husband grew up on Sumner Street and, but for 15 years in Brookline, has lived in Newton most of his 66 years. I am also a board member of 2Life Communities.

I am writing this letter in support of 2Life's request for \$1.25 million in additional Community Preservation Act funds and \$255,000 in HOME funds for our Golda Meir House expansion. This funding would greatly enable us to house more extremely low and very low income seniors. As a Newton resident, I believe that we have an obligation to support affordable housing.

I would encourage the Community Preservation Committee and Planning And Development Board to approve the additional funds for 2Life's Golda Meir House. Sixty eight new households will benefit from all the amazing programs and services 2Life already provides at Golda.

As a resident of Newton, I support allocating local funds for this project because it will result in more desperately needed affordable supportive senior housing. I thank you for your prior support for this project and would greatly appreciate your consideration of this additional request. I believe your support for allocation of these funds will make us a richer and more responsible community.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,  
Lynne Elfland  
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