



community development partnership

Creating opportunities for people to live, work, and thrive on the Lower Cape

The CDP and Polhemus Savery DaSilva find a shared mission

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Aaron Polhemus, Polhemus Savery DaSilva



Since 2010, Polhemus Savery DaSilva, the Cape Cod-based architectural design and construction firm, has given back to the community through its PSD Fund for Working Families. The CDP has been a recipient of their support as they share an overarching mission of addressing issues that concern working families on Cape Cod.

“The PSD Fund for Working Families was started as a means to assist those who face challenges living and working on the Cape,” says Aaron Polhemus, the company’s President & CEO. “One of the ways our vision and the CDP’s mission align is that we see housing affordability as a key concern and we want to help.”

Philanthropy isn’t new to PSD, according to Aaron, but recently they established a new position to make community outreach an even greater priority. This summer, Emily Dowal joined PSD as their Community Engagement Manager.

“Cape Cod is such a special place to live and work,” says Emily. “I am truly excited to expand our current philanthropic efforts and to find more ways to support working families in the communities in which we have a presence.”

Working with her colleagues at PSD to have a stronger community presence organization-wide is among Emily’s top goals. “Being a part of the Cape community, many of our team members have a pulse on the best ways to help those who need support in our area. We are fully committed to getting out into the community and volunteering,” says Emily. “Our volunteer initiatives are just as important as efficiently and effectively assisting working families through the distribution of funds to those non-profit organizations whose work aligns with the mission of the Fund.”

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Through funds annually committed by PSD and donations from clients and partners, they're already having an impressive impact on the local community. Once this year's disbursements are made, the PSD Fund for Working Families will have contributed a total of over \$260,000 to organizations on the Cape.

The CDP is honored to have the support of Polhemus Savery DaSilva. This partnership further enables us to help working families on the Lower Cape through our Housing Rehabilitation program, other housing initiatives and various other programs at the CDP.