

Hopkinton Ice Arena

Proposal for the Town of Hopkinton



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Opportunity Statement

We have a window of opportunity for Hopkinton to enhance its recreational profile and infrastructure through a Public/Private Partnership. Development of an arena at Legacy Farms provides opportunity, beyond just hockey, to benefit the community at no taxpayer expense.

Objective:

- Develop needed recreational infrastructure to Hopkinton
- Develop a "showplace" facility consistent with town aesthetics
- Compliment the current plans for Legacy Farms
- Provide a cross-use facility for other town recreational needs







Current Situation

Organization	Current Issues	Estimated Ice Spend
Hillers Varsity	 No home rink means less community support Ice conditions for practice and game are inadequate Considered alternative sites (Quotes - additional \$6000) Undesirable rink locations Problematic practice times 	• \$26,000 (ice)
Hillers Junior Varsity	Very little practice iceUndesirable rink locations	Included above
Jr Hillers - Middle School	 League plays 30 miles away (Foxboro) Infrequent and sporadic practice ice Undesirable rink locations 	\$ 3,000 (ice)\$ 9,000 (league)
Demons Youth Hockey	 No home rink makes youth sports less suitable to Hopkinton residents Multiple undesirable rink locations Problematic and inflexible practice times 	\$120,000 (ice)\$80,000 (League)
Girls Hockey	Currently unable to supportGirls play with Boys in Varsity/JV program	• N/A
Other recreation Unavailable	(public skating, figure skating, teen activities, broom ball, curling, learning programs, little tot programs, recreational hockey, fitness programs, other ice-oriented sports)	• N/A

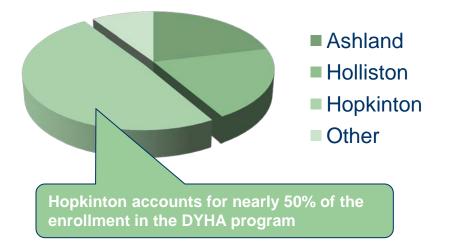
Between \$150,000 – \$200,000 per year is currently spent in outside rinks which would now stay within the Hopkinton community



Who Are Demons Youth Hockey

- Non-profit educational organization (501c3) serving the youth of Hopkinton, Holliston & Ashland communities for over 40 years
- Operate as a ~ break-even organization - fundamentally sound finances
- Provide youth hockey and developmental skating instruction and programs
- Inclusive program everyone skates!







Proposal

Construct an ice rink on the land designated as *recreational* at Legacy Farms. The rink can serve as a winter activities center for Hopkinton and the building infrastructure will be available to support families utilizing the surrounding athletic infrastructure. *The rink will have no negative financial impact on the taxpayers!*

Town of Hopkinton (through Parks and Recreation):

- Partner with DYHA to provide a rink for recreational use with no tax payer money
- Designate a piece of recreational land for the new arena
- Secure a lease the land for 30 years at \$1
- Guide and facilitate permitting and approvals

Demons Youth Hockey Association:

- Conduct fundraising activity for the arena
- Secure and service the bank financing
- Absorb customary legal fees
- Develop the property with a commitment to growing town hockey
- Assume responsibility for all design, development, construction and operating costs of running the facility.
- Continue to operate as a non-profit, educational organization
- Estimated cost of the rink (up to \$5mm) will be born by DYHA.