



February 5, 2025

Doug Brockway
Chair – Westerly Economic Development Commission
Westerly Town Hall
45 Broad Street
Westerly, Rhode Island 02891

Dear Mr. Brockway,

As Executive Director of The UNITED, I am writing to express my strong support for the modernization and infrastructure improvements at the Westerly Train Station.

Westerly's vibrant arts and cultural scene, anchored by institutions like The UNITED, plays a vital role in the town's economic and community development. A more accessible and modern train station would significantly enhance connectivity for audiences, artists, and visitors, fostering increased engagement with our programming and bolstering local businesses. The proposed improvements align with the Town of Westerly's Comprehensive Community Plan, ensuring the station evolves to meet the growing needs of our community.

Modernization efforts—including high-level platforms and other critical infrastructure upgrades—will improve efficiency, safety, and accessibility for rail passengers, benefiting both residents and visitors. These enhancements will further position Westerly as a regional destination, strengthening transportation infrastructure while supporting economic growth and cultural vitality.

I urge you to support these necessary improvements and advocate for the investments required to bring this vision to fruition. Please do not hesitate to reach out if I can provide further information or assistance in advancing this initiative.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Carly Callahan, Executive Director
The UNITED