A MESSAGE FROM THE TOWN OF WAKE FOREST

# TRANSITION TRANSITION TENSETS

The Town of Wake Forest recognizes and values the Northern Wake Senior Center as the focal point for programs and initiatives that educate and engage our community's aging population.

### **Our Commitment to You**

We are committed to continuing to offer the high-quality programming you currently enjoy.

# **Initial Operations**

For the first 12 months of operations, we intend to keep intact the classes, programs, support groups, and other initiatives the Senior Center currently offers. We will use this time to gather input, assess classes, and evaluate needs and other issues. We will work together to adjust programs and processes as needed to ensure any issues are resolved in advance of 2026-2027.

# Funding & Management Stability

We believe that in addition to providing a reliable funding source, the transition of the Senior Center to the Town will improve the stability of operations. As a future Town department, the Senior Center will participate in the Town's annual budget process which will help ensure sufficient funding to hire staff, effectively manage operations, and expand programming, as needed. The Senior Center will also have access to other Town resources which will allow it to pursue grants and partnerships in our community and beyond.

## **Enhanced Capacity**

We understand the Senior Center is at capacity, so in the short-term, we will work to address current space limitations by exploring opportunities to utilize other Town facilities. We believe this will be a huge step towards increasing the availability of programs to more participants. Looking forward, we have included a second senior center in the 2025-2030 Capital Improvement Plan.

# Local Advantage

Being able to manage operations locally and utilize the Town's assets and resources will improve communications, enhance transparency, and help ensure the Senior Center continues offering programming that meet the needs of our community.

For answers to Frequently Asked Questions about the transition of the Northern Wake Senior Center to the Town of Wake Forest, visit **wakeforestnc.gov** and search "Senior Center."



