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**From:** Vivian Sebastian [avivseb@verizon.net]  
**Sent:** Friday, July 06, 2012 2:54 PM  
**To:** sean mccarthy  
**Subject:** Supporting Open Door relocation

Dear Mr. McCarthy:

I am writing to you to express my support for the relocation of Open Door Family Medical Services from 80 Beekman Ave to 300 N. Broadway.

Having been working with Hispanic families in Tarrytown and Sleepy Hollow for the past 10 years, first as their ESL teacher and then in different projects, I have learned how they depend on Open Door as they are the primary health care provider for their families.

As Open Door looks to improve their facilities in town and offer more and better space for their services, which will benefit all involved, it is a welcome move from every standpoint, as the number of clients using Open Door has increased and space has remained the same.

Parking has been one of the concerns at the new facility. These families are walkers, they do go everywhere in town by foot, including school events, meetings, appointments at Open Door, activities at different sights, so needing parking space would not be an issue for them.

Safety is another concern; since these families are walkers, they are extremely aware of the dangers of crossing at intersections with their children and are used to being cautious. My understanding is that there will be a crossing guard at that intersection and since there is also a traffic light at the Beekman Ave. crossing, that will definitely be the option to use to be safe.

I hope you do consider that this move is meant as an improvement, and that as any new home, it will take time to adjust, but it will benefit many families as well as the staff providing the services, by offering them in a much better environment.

Sincerely  
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