It tends to be especially difficult for non-profits that operate on a regional basis to obtain funding from foundations that provide financial support to groups on a nationwide, or even worldwide basis.

So it was a “long shot” when Fighting Chance applied to Newman’s Own Foundation, since it has donated over $500 Million to non-profits across the globe.

And it was a joyful moment, earlier this year, when we received our first grant from Newman’s Own Foundation -- to support our new satellite office at The Phillips Family Cancer Center, which is part of the Stony Brook Southampton Hospital Complex.

Our proposal had been submitted last summer, shortly after a “ground-breaking ceremony for the Cancer Center.

Newman’s Own Foundation took a risk that construction might never begin, despite the best of intentions by all concerned.

But faith in those building the Center has been richly rewarded as the facility is now taking shape, with a ribbon-cutting scheduled before year-end.

The Cancer Center is designed to be “comprehensive” which means that patients -- under one roof -- can receive radiation oncology treatments, chemo infusion, visit with the oncologist guiding their cancer journey, and there is a pharmacy on premises.

Fighting Chance also will have an office at the Cancer Center to provide the same services we have for the last 15 years -- fighting by the side of patients during their cancer journey, navigating obstacles to quality care and counseling patients who confront the emotional distress and hyper-anxiety that often accompany a battle against cancer.

Welcome to Raymond & Lynda Wesnofske . . . Our Newest Directors
With long-time roots on the East End . . . including multiple generations of Wesnofske farmers and Ray’s visionary role in establishing the Peconic Landing Assisted Living Facility.
The groundbreaking of the Phillips Family Cancer Center was an extraordinary moment of celebration. But, it also was a time to reflect on the daunting construction challenge that lay ahead.

By October a construction site -- including work permit -- had replaced what was once a potato field.

Winter arrives on the East End . . . but construction continues

Building emerges

- Entire infrastructure takes shape

Building when completed - Architect’s Rendering
Details of Our Satellite Facility

Office Location
On the 1st floor of The Cancer Center, which also has the main "street level" reception and houses Radiation Oncology Services.

Appointment Kiosk
Instead of contacting our "main office" in Sag Harbor, to set up a meeting with one of our counselors . . . patients can use the Kiosk to register for a future appointment date that is convenient. Similar to getting a boarding pass.

Office Layout
Part of the office is set up for one-on-one counseling sessions; the other half of the office is a "Navigation Station" - - which provides information on resources for coping with cancer and houses our Appointment Kiosk.
In Their 16th Year of Printing (updated annually)  
Our Widely Circulated “Red Guide” and “Blue Guide”

Red Guide  
Contains 15 different lists of useful local resources for coping with cancer - phone contact and emails for all of them. (38 pages)

Blue Guide  
Emphasizes the “Art of the Disease,” with practical tips on each sequence in the cancer journey. (35 pages)

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