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**LOCAL COMMUNITY TO CELEBRATE GROUND BREAKING  
OF NEW AQUATICS FACILITY**

East Providence – The Providence-area community will gather on June 10 at 11.30am to celebrate the ground breaking of the new Pods Swimming aquatics facility, the first privately owned aquatics center of its kind in Rhode Island.

Located at 111 Commercial Way in East Providence, Pods Swimming's aquatics center will consist of an 11,900 square foot facility with a six lane, 25-yard pool and a teaching pool. The facility will also have a snack bar, men's and women's locker rooms, and a family locker room. The aquatics center will host local partners and community events as well as serve as the home of Pods Swimming, a swim school that enrolls over 1,300 students from Rhode Island and southeastern Massachusetts.

Susan Pascale Frechette, founder and director of Pods Swimming, says of the new facility, "I'm excited to bring this project to our community. It is an important investment in our families' health and wellness, and will enable our children to enjoy the water safely."

The \$3.5 million project is financed by Middlesex Savings and the CDC New England 504 program. Partners also include New England Construction and Vision 3 Architects, and the generous families and friends of Pods Swimming. Occupancy is planned for early 2017.