

# HARTFORD *NEXT*, INC.



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Neighbors · Empowerment  
Economics · Together

**STATE NRZ ADVISORY BOARD  
MEETING  
APRIL 20, 2023**



# Who We Are

The Coalition of Hartford's 13 Neighborhood Revitalization Zones and the City of Hartford

## Mission

A collective voice of Hartford residents and stakeholders working to strengthen and grow our community.



# OPERATING FRAMEWORK

## **Advocacy & Community Economic Development**

- Establish positions on substantive issues that affect the community
- Civic and Community Engagement
- Educate stakeholders about community economic development

## **Communication and Education Platform**

- Formal and informal training
- Programs to educate and empower the community
- Collaborations to identify and address neighborhood/city problems
- Repository of relevant data
- Resource for nonprofits, public organizations and the community -at-large

## **Strategic Partnerships**

- Expanded collaborations and partnerships with anchor institutions, funders, nonprofits and public organizations



# Neighborhood Training Institute (NTI)

## Focus:

- **Civic Leadership** – Creating an informed and active citizenry that can successfully collaborate and advocate on neighborhood and community issues;
- **Information Sharing** – Community information updates on critical issues impacting neighborhoods; and,
- **Public Services** – Forums on critical issues impacting residents.

## Seminars, Workshops and Programs:

- **NRZ Technical Assistance**
- **NRZ Capacity Building**
- **NRZ Leadership Development**
- **Community Economic Development**

## Collaborations with Community Organizations



# NRZ CHALLENGES

## Goal:

**Improving the Quality of Life in the Neighborhoods and across the City of Hartford**

## Issues:

### Capacity –

**Administrative support,  
Succession planning,  
Leadership training  
Outreach & resident engagement  
Civic engagement**

### Resources



**QUESTIONS?**