

**COMMUNITY INVESTMENT FUND 2030
ROUND 2 BOARD RECOMMENDED PROJECT SUMMARIES**

BOROUGH OF NAUGATUCK - \$3,000,000

“Naugatuck Industrial Park Phase III”

CIF funding will facilitate the redevelopment of the 86-acre site formerly known as the Uniroyal Chemical/United States Rubber Company. Funds will be utilized for the construction of permanent and temporary access roads to prepare the site for development.

BOYS & GIRLS CLUB OF HARTFORD (Hartford) - \$1,600,000

“Northwest Boys & Girls Renovation”

CIF will enable the renovation of 18,000 ft² of space featuring amenities designed to provide Hartford youth with services including classroom space, makerspace/technology lab, learning center, gymnasium, art space, and indoor hydroponic garden. The project will allow the award recipient to expand its programmatic offerings and number of youths served in after-school, weekend and summer programming.

CAREER RESOURCES (Bridgeport) - \$4,536,250

“The Bridge on Main”

This CIF award assists the renovation of 1085-1095 Main Street, a 42,500 ft² building, to facilitate a suite of programs designed to help level the playing field for returning citizens and justice-impacted individuals. Programs will include job training, job placement, case management, referrals to support services, and onsite social enterprises. Additional spaces will be designed and available for use by tenants, local businesses, and organizations for community events.

CITY OF BRIDGEPORT - \$3,500,000

“Civic Block”

CIF funds will aid the completion of the East End development known as Civic Block. Funds will be used to complete construction to create 35,000 ft² of retail space, including a grocery store in a neighborhood that is currently a food desert.

CITY OF BRISTOL - \$6,850,000

“Route 72 Corridor Improvement Proposal”

CIF will fund one element of the City’s Route 72 Corridor Improvement Plan, focused on pedestrian safety enhancements, traffic calming and streetscape improvements on Riverside Avenue and Park Street.

CITY OF HARTFORD - \$4,570,000

“Hart Is Where the Home Is”

CIF will fund an element of the City’s proposal to create a home ownership program focused on developing in-fill housing and rehabilitating existing housing stock across the city. The Round 2 grant will fund pre-development work to support re-development of Mary Shepard Place in the Clay-Arsenal neighborhood.

CITY OF NEW HAVEN - \$12,100,000

“Long Wharf Responsible Growth Plan”

CIF will assist with the City of New Haven’s Long Wharf Responsible Growth Plan to revitalize the waterfront district. Grant activity will focus on the revitalization of Long Wharf Park. Features in the park include public site furniture, lighting, playground, bike paths, outdoor fitness, upgraded walkways and Food Truck pavilion.

CITY OF NEW LONDON - \$7,236,237

“Community Center”

CIF funds will provide the final construction costs of the new Community and Recreation Center in New London. The new facility will feature recreation activities, rooms for education and community use, and will house the City’s recreation and youth affairs departments.

CITY OF STAMFORD - \$1,092,200

“West Side Pedestrian Safety and Connectivity”

CIF funding will complete design and engineering for the City’s pedestrian infrastructure plan for pedestrian safety and mobility on the side streets of the West Side neighborhood. These improvements will slow vehicles, add new crosswalks, increase tree coverage, improve pedestrian safety with raised crosswalks and bump outs, and install 30 new bus shelters in a neighborhood with the highest rate of pedestrian crashes in the city.

CLIMATEHAVEN (New Haven) - \$910,744

“ClimateHaven”

CIF funding will build-out ClimateHaven’s 10,000 ft² clima-tech business incubator. The space will contain co-working space, prototyping space, and shared resources for program participants pursuing start-up businesses focused on a sustainable, renewable future.

DANBURY HACKERSPACE (Danbury) - \$510,761

“Danbury Hackerspace – Innovation Studios”

CIF will fund the construction and build out of the Danbury Hackerspace location in the former Crown Plaza Hotel in Danbury. Danbury Hackerspace will operate a makerspace with co-working space, wood and metal shops, 3D printing, laser cutting, commercial kitchen and pottery studio.

GRACE CONGREGATE HOUSING (Waterbury) - \$921,564

“Grace House Capital Improvements”

CIF funding will be utilized for renovation and retention of 40 units of low to moderate income elderly housing. Renovations include roof replacement, exterior masonry work, new energy efficient windows, and remodeled kitchens.

MARY WADE HOME (New Haven) - \$700,000

“Boardman Residential Care Home Renovation – Planning”

CIF funding will be utilized to finalize renovation plans for the Boardman Residential Care Home, which houses 45 seniors living at or below the federal poverty level. The project will preserve existing housing stock and renovate a historic structure.

MCCALL FOUNDATION, INC (Torrington) - \$1,421,250

“Family Wellness Center of the McCall Behavioral Health Network”

This CIF award supports the restoration and renovation of a 7,000 ft² vacant historic property in the Torrington Historic District. The Wellness Center will allow for three current lines of service to be housed in a single location, reducing barriers of access for families. The Center’s programs will focus service provision on providing access to Spanish speaking families.

MERIDEN-NEW BRITAIN-BERLIN YMCA (New Britain) - \$1,700,000

“Meriden New Britain Berlin YMCA Childcare Expansion”

CIF will fund the renovation of unused racquetball courts, repurposing them to create six additional childcare classrooms within the NAEYC accredited center. This expansion will allow increased childcare capacity for 72 children.

NEW REACH, INC (New Haven) - \$2,213,003

“Health, Safety and Efficiency Initiative: Phase 2”

CIF will assist in funding capital improvements to Life Haven, a homeless shelter with a capacity to serve 20 families. Facility improvements include a complete roof replacement, electrical service upgrade to support the installation of mini-split heating/cooling units and elevator replacement.

NORWALK REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY (Norwalk) - \$8,000,000

“Re-development of 55 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr Drive”

CIF will fund site infrastructure to replace a 5-acre city-owned parking lot with a mixed-income, mixed-use, transit-oriented development. The development is slated for 472 units of new housing, 40,000 ft² of commercial space, a public space including a pedestrian promenade and 25,000 ft² public park, as well as public and commuter parking.

NORWALK REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY (Norwalk) - \$1,800,000

“Oak Grove Apartments and Learning Center”

This CIF award will facilitate the development of a 7.6-acre site into Oak Grove, a 69-unit affordable housing development. The development will also feature a 5,000 ft² learning center, which will serve both the Oak Grove residents and the adjacent 200-unit Colonial Village apartment complex, providing afterschool programs for ages K-5th to support working parents and caregivers.

NORWICH COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (Norwich) - \$11,391,193

“Business Park North”

CIF funding will construct an arterial roadway, pedestrian/bike lane, bus stops and stormwater management, as well as utility installation and upgrades. This work will facilitate the access to, and construction of, 12 sites hosting buildings ranging from 9,000 ft² to 500,000 ft² for warehouse, manufacturing, distribution, and office space uses.

PACIFIC HOUSE (Stamford) - \$2,450,000

“41 – 45 Stillwater Avenue”

CIF will fund the construction of 39 new affordable, supportive housing units in a 4-story, 38,833 ft² structure. The project will provide a mix of one-bedroom, two-bedroom and three-bedroom units to serve individuals and families. Ground floor office space in the building will house Pacific House headquarters and case management services for tenants.

RIVERFRONT RECAPTURE (Windsor) - \$522,500

“Riverfront Recapture Regional Trail System”

CIF funding will complete a Riverwalk extension and build a bridge spanning Decker’s Brook, closing the gap in the trail system between Hartford and Windsor’s Riverwalks. This 825’ trail section completes a seven-mile Riverwalk system. The application includes a project labor agreement to hire a work crew of previously incarcerated persons.

TOWN OF EAST WINDSOR - \$4,000,000

“Park Hill and School Hill Water Line Extension”

CIF Funding will be used to extend the public water line along Windsorville and Old Ellington Rd to provide safe and reliable drinking water to 31 residences with contaminated wells, as well as the East Windsor Housing Authority’s Park Hill complex of 84 units. The extension will also provide the necessary infrastructure for the Housing Authority to implement a second phase and develop 123 new affordable units of housing.

TOWN OF HAMDEN - \$5,400,000

“Arts & Cultural Center / Middle School Demolition”

This CIF award will enable the re-development of a former middle school that currently stands as a blighted, vacant structure within an Environmental Justice Block Group. CIF grant funds will go towards demolition and abatement of the structure, and community planning activities for the creation of a Community Campus on the site.

TOWN OF MANCHESTER - \$7,500,000

“Downtown for All – Streetscape”

This CIF award will go towards the re-development of Main Street, which will be re-designed to become more accessible and safer for pedestrians and bicyclists. The project incorporates traffic calming strategies to create better traffic flow, while improving safety by adding bicycle lanes, pedestrian walkways.

TOWN OF PLYMOUTH - \$250,000

“Plymouth Transformational Plan”

CIF funding will be used to engage a community development consultant to conduct a three-part community-wide survey to create engagement and collect data towards the development of a prioritized plan for community and economic growth in the town.

TOWN OF PRESTON - \$400,000

“Poquetanuck Village Traffic Calming Phase 1”

CIF funding will be used by the town to complete the engineering for Phase I and II of the Poquetanuck Village Traffic Calming Master Plan, in anticipation of a LOTCIP grant towards the construction. The project will create traffic calming, pedestrian safety and aesthetic improvements in the historic village including sidewalks, streetlights, safety and directional signage, crosswalks and a multi-use trail connecting to various community amenities including the Tri-Town Trail and Preston Community Park.

TOWN OF STRATFORD - \$2,446,463

“South End Community Center”

CIF will fund the interior and exterior renovation of the South End Community Center. The improvements will result in expanded after school program capacity, additional office space for social service programming, expansion of capacity in the community food pantry, expanded capacity for daycare programming enrollment and increase the accessibility of space for seniors.

UPPER ALBANY NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION ZONE (Hartford) - \$1,500,000
“Purchase of 333 Homestead Avenue”

This CIF award will be used by Upper Albany NRZ towards the acquisition of the Salvation Army facility at 333 Homestead Avenue. The agency is exploring several potential uses for the final development including senior housing, intergenerational programming, and a farmer-fresh produce retail market.