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## **CONNECTICUT HOUSING PARTNERS PROUDLY ANNOUNCES \$79,000 IN DONOR AWARDS TO SUPPORT ENERGY EFFICIENCY UPGRADES IN AFFORDABLE HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS**

February 11, 2025 (Trumbull, CT) - Connecticut Housing Partners (CHP), one of Connecticut's largest non-profit affordable housing developers, proudly announces donations and tax awards with participating businesses that supported energy efficiency initiatives through the Neighborhood Assistance Act (NAA) 2024 Program. This tax credit program, administered by the CT Department of Revenue Services, has successfully concluded with \$79,000 raised in generous contributions.

Connecticut Housing Partners kicked off the initiative with an original award of \$150,000 in tax credits through the NAA Program that funds critical energy efficiency improvements. These tax credits are then available for purchase by companies as a donor exchange with non-profit organizations like CHP who utilize the cash funds to make energy-efficient upgrades at their affordable housing properties across Southern Connecticut, including:

- Wilton Commons & Wilton Commons II (Wilton): 73 senior and congregate elderly care units
- Huntington Place (Trumbull): 40 senior housing units
- Merton House (Bridgeport): 22 permanent supportive housing units for women with children, in partnership with Catholic Charities of Bridgeport
- Trinity Park (Stamford): 48 affordable family housing units

A special acknowledgment of thanks goes to M&T Bank for their \$30,000 donation for Merton House; Spectrum for their \$30,000 donation for Huntington Place; United Illuminating (UI) for their generous \$5,000 donation for Huntington Place along with a \$5,000 donation for Merton House; and Eversource for their \$7,000 donation for Trinity Park; Santa Energy for their \$2,000 donation for Merton House; all of which support energy efficiency projects.

“We’re proud to make this important contribution that helps families in need while also having a sustainable impact on the environment,” said Carolyn Gonzalez, Regional CRA Officer for M&T Bank. “Innovative programs like this one that provide outside the box solutions make a real, lasting difference in the communities they serve.”

"We are proud to support local nonprofits—such as civic associations, community centers, libraries, and affordable housing organizations—by funding energy efficiency upgrades that reduce costs and advance Connecticut’s clean energy goals," said Frank Reynolds, President & CEO of United Illuminating (UI), Southern Connecticut Gas (SCG), and Connecticut Natural Gas (CNG). "This program enables these organizations to focus on their vital work while benefiting from reduced energy usage and costs, contributing to a more sustainable future. We look forward to strengthening these partnerships and identifying new opportunities to collaborate with organizations committed to driving energy efficiency across our communities."

“With our Corporate headquarters in Stamford, Spectrum is part of the Connecticut communities where our employees live and work,” said Camille Joseph, GVP of Government Affairs for Spectrum. “Through Connecticut’s NAA program we are able to help to advance the State’s clean energy goals while supporting organizations like The Mutual Housing Association of Southwest Connecticut, whose programs meet an important need and strengthens the community.”

Peter Russell, CEO of Santa Fuel shared, “Santa Energy is happy to support our community partners like the Mutual Housing Association of SW CT and their great work within the community. Through the Neighborhood Assistance Act Program, Santa Energy can provide financial support to great organizations like the Mutual Housing Association of SW CT to enhance their mission and bring affordable housing to the communities we serve.”

CHP extends their gratitude to all companies and businesses that participated in the program as they carry out their mission of building and preserving quality affordable housing while promoting energy conservation. CHP, legally known as Mutual Housing Association of Southwestern CT, has been a leader in affordable housing development for over 35 years.

For more about CHP and opportunities to support affordable housing visit [cthousingpartners.org](https://cthousingpartners.org).

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#### ABOUT CONNECTICUT HOUSING PARTNERS

Connecticut Housing Partners is part of NeighborWorks America’s selective national network of organizations, committed to driving and sustaining positive change. Our mission for 35 years is to strengthen communities by providing housing and services to enhance the quality of life for low- and moderate-income families in Connecticut. We do this by developing, building, preserving, and maintaining high-quality affordable housing. We use a partnership-based and community-led approach to maximize our reach and impact. CHP is committed to creating long-lasting systematic change for individuals and families in need and providing sustainable solutions to solve the housing crisis and put an end to homelessness. <https://cthousingpartners.org/>