

# American Savings Foundation awards \$331K in grants

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NEW BRITAIN — The American Savings Foundation board of directors have recently announced the distribution of \$331,193 worth of grants to help support 13 New Britain area programs and services that help to improve the quality of life in the community.

“The grants given this quarter demonstrate the foundation’s mission to be a broad-based funder,” said Maria Sanchez, director of grantmaking and community investment at American Savings Foundation. “These programs will make a positive impact in the lives of children, youth and families across the greater New Britain area.”

The following grants have been approved by the foundation’s board:

■ \$20,000 will be awarded to the Boys & Girls Club to support the club’s efforts to strengthen programming and agency capacity.

■ \$20,000 will be awarded to Building Hope Together, a city-wide effort to coordinate housing, employment and homelessness prevention strategies and services for individuals and families in New Britain.

■ \$15,000 will be awarded to the Center

for Children’s Advocacy for their Medical/Legal Partnership Program, which works with parents, healthcare professionals, youth serving organizations and others to improve health outcomes for low-income children.

■ \$12,000 will be awarded to the Children’s Law Center of Connecticut for the Families-In-Transition Program, which provides low-income families mediation services as an alternative to litigation in high conflict disputes or divorce cases.

■ \$54,484 will be awarded to the Children’s Law Center of Connecticut for the Legal Representation Programs, which represents children involved in high conflict divorce and custody cases in New Britain courts to ensure the child’s best interests are represented.

■ \$25,000 will be awarded to Coram Deo to provide case management in transitional residential treatment program for women in recovery.

■ \$40,000 will be awarded to FoodShare to support the food delivery program in New Britain and surrounding towns. In New Britain, food is delivered to 21 partner agency locations and five mobile sites.

■ \$37,500 will be awarded to the Human Resources Agency for energy assistance, primarily supporting individuals and families in New Britain who do not qualify for government subsidies.

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awarded to the Human Resources Agency to support the Osgood Resource Center, which provides food and other services in New Britain’s northwest region.

■ \$20,000 will be awarded to the Neighborhood Housing Services of New Britain for an outreach campaign to increase homeownership, with expanded outreach to area Hispanic residents.

■ \$37,000 will be awarded to the Prudence Crandall Center to support their emergency shelter and 24/7 crisis hotline for victims of domestic violence and their children.

■ \$10,000 will be awarded to Reach Out and Read for their early literacy program, which trains medical providers to give reading advice and books to parents during well-child exams in New Britain.

■ \$10,709 will be awarded to the Senior Transportation Services for a program that provides transportation to seniors to medical appointments.

American Savings Foundation is a permanent charitable endowment which provides grants to local nonprofit organizations and college scholarships to area students. Since it was started in 1995 the foundation has contributed over \$60 million in total grants and scholarships in central Connecticut.

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