



West Haven Community House

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Community House Receives \$8.9K Grant from United Illuminating/Southern Connecticut Gas/Connecticut Natural Gas for Capital Improvement for Energy Efficiency

*Support Made Available under Connecticut's
Neighborhood Assistance Act Tax Credit Program*

[West Haven, CT — January 11, 2021] — The West Haven Community House recently received a \$8,876 grant from United Illuminating/Southern Connecticut Gas/Connecticut Natural Gas under Connecticut's Neighborhood Assistance Act tax credit program.

The funding will help fund capital improvements to multiple facilities of the Community House's main campus on Elm Street as well as residential group homes including roof work, updating air conditioning and heating units, as well as replacement of boilers and furnaces.

"For nearly 80 years, the West Haven Community House has provided essential services to residents of the greater West Haven area. Our core programs are Head Start, a comprehensive school readiness preschool program for 3- and 4-year old's; Children and Youth Services serving school age children; a Youth Violence Prevention Program for middle school youth; and Community Connections, a day and residential program for adults with intellectual disabilities. We have multiple facilities throughout West Haven, some of which are 25 years and older, and we must ensure that they continue to be a safe and efficient environment for the more than 150 employees and the hundreds of clients we serve", said Patty Stevens, Executive Director of West Haven Community House.

"We are grateful for AVANGRID, Inc. and its subsidiaries for their generous support and for their commitment to non-profits in the New Haven area", she continued.

United Illuminating (UI), Southern Connecticut Gas (SCG) and Connecticut Natural Gas (CNG) — all subsidiaries of AVANGRID, Inc. — distributed a total of \$441,540 in grants to 59 organizations.

The grants, made possible by Connecticut's Neighborhood Assistance Act (NAA) Tax Credit Program, are aimed at helping nonprofit community and neighborhood organizations across the state improve energy efficiency and reduce their energy costs.

Since 2010, UI, SCG and CNG has awarded \$3.8 million in grants through the NAA Program, which offers a corporate tax credit to encourage businesses to provide financial support to qualified local nonprofit organizations.

"During these unprecedented times, we are mindful of the many people in our communities who are suffering as a consequence of the COVID-19 pandemic – and of the important roles nonprofit organizations play in supporting them," said Frank Reynolds, President of UI, SCG and CNG. "This program allows us to help our nonprofit partners achieve ongoing energy savings, allowing our partners to focus their resources on the critical programs and services that they provide."

The 2020 NAA grants support a wide variety of projects undertaken by community organizations across the UI, SCG and CNG service territories. More information about Neighborhood Assistance Act Tax Credit Program including a full listing of the supported projects can be found at www.CT.gov.

About the West Haven Community House: For nearly 80 years, the Community House has been the cornerstone social service agency of West Haven with programs including Head Start, a quality school readiness program for children from income-eligible families; Children & Youth Services, a before and after-school program for school-aged children; and Community Connections day and residential program for people with intellectual disabilities. For more information, visit www.whcommunityhouse.org.

About UI: The United Illuminating Company (UI) is a subsidiary of AVANGRID, Inc. Established in 1899, UI operates approximately 3,500 miles of electric distribution lines and 139 miles of transmission lines. It serves approximately 335,000 customers in the greater New Haven and Bridgeport areas of Connecticut. UI received the Edison Electric Institute's Emergency Recovery Award recognizing the company's response to the May 2018 storms that impacted its service territory. For more information, visit www.uinet.com.

About SCG: The Southern Connecticut Gas Company (SCG) is a subsidiary of AVANGRID, Inc. Established in 1847, SCG operates approximately 2,500 miles of natural gas distribution pipelines, serving approximately 197,000 customers in the greater New Haven and Bridgeport areas of Connecticut. For more information, visit www.socnngas.com.

About CNG: Connecticut Natural Gas Corporation (CNG) is a subsidiary of AVANGRID, Inc. Established in 1848, CNG operates 2,160 miles of natural gas distribution pipeline, serving approximately 177,000 customers across 26 communities in the greater Hartford-New Britain area, and Greenwich, Connecticut. For more information, visit www.cngcorp.com.