SCRCOG MEETING NOTICE & AGENDA
May 25, 2016 – 10:00 A.M.
Location: 127 Washington Avenue, 4th Floor West
North Haven, CT 06473

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1. Call to Order and Introductions – Mayor Benjamin Blake, Chairman

2. Presentation: I-95 Corridor Record of Decision Report - Domenic LaRosa, Assistant District Engineer for Districts 3 & 3A, CDOT

3. Presentation: SCRCOG Regional Recreational Trails Program - Brian Dooley and Matt Longyear, New England GEO Systems

4. Adoption of 4/27/16 SCRCOG Minutes – First Selectman Joseph Mazza, Secretary

5. Treasurer’s Report for month ending 4/30/16 – First Selectman James Cosgrove, Treasurer

6. Transportation Committee Report-Mayor William Dickinson, Chairman
   Adopt Resolution to Approve 2015-2018 TIP Amendment Fifteen
   Adopt Resolution to Approve FTA Section 5310 Program Priorities.

7. Adopt Resolution Authorizing Executive Director to Accept CIRCA Municipal Resilience Grant and Negotiate and Execute Related Agreements

8. Approval of SCRCOG Budget Proposal for FY 2016-17
   Carl Amento Executive Director, Al Ruggiero Business Manager

9. Congressional Reports – Louis Mangini, Aide to Congresswoman Rosa DeLauro; Evan Johnson, Aide to Senator Christopher Murphy; Ellen Graham, Aide to Senator Blumenthal

10. State Legislative Report- Michael Muszynski, Advocacy Manager, CCM

11. SCRCOG Executive Director’s Report – Carl Amento, Executive Director

12. Grant Opportunities and Upcoming Events- Carl Amento, Executive Director

13. REX Development Report – Ginny Kozlowski, Executive Director, REX Development

14. CT Rides Quarterly Report- Joanne Cavadini, Outreach Coordinator

15. DESPP/ DEMHS Report – John B. Field, Jr., Region 2 Coordinator

16. RPC Action Table for May

17. Regional Cooperation/Other Business

18. Adjournment
TO: SCRCOG Board  
FROM: First Selectman Joseph Mazza, Secretary  
DATE: May 18, 2016  
SUBJECT: SCRCOG Minutes of April 27, 2016

Present:  
- Bethany: First Selectwoman Derrylyn Gorski  
- Branford: First Selectman James Cosgrove – Treasurer  
- East Haven: Salvatore Brancati, proxy for Mayor Joseph Maturo  
- Guilford: Karen Quercia, proxy for First Selectman Joseph Mazza – Secretary  
- Madison: First Selectman Thomas Banisch  
- Meriden: Larry Kendzior, proxy for Mayor Kevin Scarpati  
- Milford: Mayor Benjamin Blake – Chairman  
- New Haven: Mayor Toni Harp – Vice Chairman  
- North Haven: First Selectman Michael Freda – Immediate Past Chair  
- Orange: First Selectman James Zeoli  
- Wallingford: Mayor William Dickinson  
- West Haven: Mayor Edward O’Brien  
- Woodbridge: First Selectwoman Ellen Scalettar  

SCRCOG Staff: Carl Amento – Executive Director, Albert Ruggiero, Stephen Dudley, James Rode, Eugene Livshits, Christopher Rappa

Guests: State Comptroller Kevin Lembo; Andrea Pereira, LISC; Diane Smith and John Cabral, DOH; Mary Bigelow, Greater New Haven Transit District; Miriam Brody, Hamden-North Haven League of Women Voters; Vicki Bozzuto, Gateway Community College; Tony Bialecki, United Illuminating Co.; Ginny Kozlowski, Barbara Malmberg, and Rohit Sharma, REX Development; Louis Mangini, Office of U.S. Representative Rosa DeLauro; Evan Johnson, Office of U.S. Senator Christopher Murphy; Ron Thomas, CCM; Michael Harris, City of New Haven; Clark Hurlburt, Town of Bethany; Lori Vitagliano, RGBA; Binu Chandy, DECD; Edgar Wynkoop and Maxine Trout, CDOT; Nan Birdwhistell, MurthaCullina

1. Call to order and Introductions  
Chairman Benjamin Blake called the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m. All present introduced themselves.

2. Presentation: Report from the State Comptroller’s Office  
State Comptroller Kevin Lembo reviewed issues including the state’s pension liability, the CT Partnership Health Care Plan, electronic transfer implementation and budget stability through “smoothing”.

3. Adoption of March 23, 2016 SCRCOG meeting minutes  
Mayor Blake presented the Minutes of the SCRCOG meeting of March 23, 2016 which were distributed at the meeting. First Selectman Banisch moved for their approval. Mayor Harp seconded the Motion, which was approved by all.
4. **Treasurer’s Report for month ending March 31, 2016**
   First Selectman Cosgrove presented the Treasurer’s Report for the month ending March 31, 2016, which was included in the agenda packet at pages 2 and 3. Cash and Investments totaled $1,257,666, with $100,559 due from CTDOT. Expenses were in order for the month. First Selectman Cosgrove moved for acceptance of the Treasurer’s Report. First Selectman Banisch seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

5. **Transportation Committee Report**
   Mayor Dickinson moved for approval of the Resolution to Approve TIP Amendment Fourteen found at Pages 4-24 of the agenda packet. First Selectwoman Gorski seconded. The motion was approved unanimously. Mayor Dickinson also moved to adopt the Resolution Approving the Updated FY 2016-2017 UPWP found on Page 24 of the agenda packet. First Selectman Cosgrove seconded. All were in favor.

6. **Budget Revision #5- FY 2015-2016**
   First Selectman Banisch moved to approve Budget Revision #5 which re-programmed $25,000 in the FY 2015-2016 budget. First Selectwoman Gorski seconded, and that motion passed unanimously.

7. **Presentation: CT Transit-Oriented Development Fund**
   Andrea Perriera of LISC and Diane Smith of CHFA explained the new TOD financing program.

8. **Congressional Report**
   Louis Mangini from U.S. Representative DeLauro’s Office discussed Zika Virus funding. Evan Johnson of U.S. Senator Murphy’s Office announced $1.5 billion in safety improvements funding for the Northeast Corridor, with $345 million dedicated to the MetroNorth Line.

9. **State Legislative Report**
   Ron Thomas from CCM reviewed dead and pending bills at the General Assembly and discussed the status of the state budget as the session approached its adjournment date of May 4th.

10. **SCRCOG Executive Director’s Report**
    Executive Director Amento reported that the Regional Recreational Trails Project was completed. The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation grant ($700,000) will be completed in the fall. Nine opportunities for the utilization of green infrastructure to provide coastal resilience for shoreline communities have been identified and are being studied. 14 of the 15 SCRCOG municipalities are planning to participate in the update to the SCRCOG Multi-Jurisdiction Hazard Mitigation Plan. SCRCOG is compiling the last few letters of intent from participating municipalities before submission of the grant application. SCRCOG is partnering with the Regional Water Authority to submit a grant application to CIRCA’s Municipal Resilience Grant Program for a study of the effects of climate change on public drinking water quality and supply in our region.

11. **Grant Opportunities and Upcoming Events**
    Executive Director Amento reviewed Grant Opportunities and Upcoming Events including the CPS grant program, a grant program for EV vehicles, the Bike Walk Summit & Walk Audit Training on June 3rd, in New Britain, a Capacity Building and Grant Writing Training session in New Haven on May 18th, and a CT Roundtable on Climate & Jobs Stakeholder Event in New Haven on May 5th.

12. **REX Development Report**
    Ginny Kozlowski, Executive Director of REX Development reviewed her report which is found at Pages 28-30 of the agenda packet. She distributed copies of the 2016-2017 Welcome to Greater New Haven Relocation Guide which was prepared by REX. She thanked SCRCOG members for their support for the Hannover, Germany Trade Show exhibit for our region. REX will be meeting with 17 identified “leads” in Germany.

13. **DESPP/ DEMHS Report**
    John Field was not present. However, his written report was at Pages 31 and 32 in the agenda packet.
14. **RPC Action Table for April** -  
The RPC Action Table for April was distributed and reviewed.

15. **Regional Cooperation/Other Business** -  
A meeting of former CMED members will be called soon to discuss outstanding invoices.

16. **Adjournment** -  
First Selectwoman Gorski moved to adjourn, First Selectman Cosgrove seconded. Mayor Blake adjourned the meeting at 11:20 am.

Respectfully submitted,

First Selectman Joseph Mazza, Secretary
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Project 0170-3399 2016-A15-3 FY16: Stwd Transp Demand Mgmnt (NY-NJ-CT)
Changes Amendment 15 Adds a new project
Reason Through the Ctrides program the Department of Transportation offers statewide ridesharing resources to assist employers in the ongoing management of their employee transportation programs.

Project 0170-3401 2016-A15-1 FY16 Telecomuting Partnership (NY-NJ-CT)
Changes Amendment 15 Adds a new project
Reason CTrides supports telecommuting by offering free resources to help employers design and implement a telecommuting program

Project 0170-3406 2016-A15-2 FY16 Statewide Marketing (NY-NJ-CT Moderate)
Changes Amendment 15 Adds a new project
Reason Funds statewide marketing programs aimed at encouraging transit use and ridesharing services.

Project 0171-0375 2013-A14-2 Replace VMS: I-91, 84, 384, CT2, 5, 15, 20
Changes Amendment 15 increases funding for the Construction Phase of this project
Reason Action is necessary to update funding for Construction based on revised cost estimate. The revised amounts replace a cost estimate developed in 2008 as part of the planning process. The scope of this project has not changed.
### South Central Regional Council of Governments
#### FFY2015-FFY2018 Transportation Improvement Program
##### Amendment 15

**State Project**  0170-3399  | **SCRCOG #**  2016-A15-3
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**Municipality**  Statewide  | Proposed

**Project Name**  FY16: Stwd Transp Demand Mgmnt (NY-NJ-CT Moderate)

**Description**  Through the Ctrides program the Department of Transportation offers statewide ridesharing resources to assist employers in the ongoing management of their employee transportation programs.

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### Proposed TIP Funding (In Thousands)

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**TIP Funds**  $2,542

**Amendment Notes**  FY15 TIP Amendment 15 Adds project funding

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**State Project**  0170-3401  | **SCRCOG #**  2016-A15-1
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**Municipality**  Statewide  | Proposed

**Project Name**  FY16 Telecomuting Partnership (NY-NJ-CT Moderate)

**Description**  CTrides supports telecommuting by offering free resources to help employers design and implement a telecommuting program

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**TIP Funds**  $352

**Amendment Notes**  FY15 TIP Amendment 15 Adds project funding
South Central Regional Council of Governments
FFY2015-FFY2018 Transportation Improvement Program
Amendment 15

**State Project 0170-3406**

**Municipality** Statewide

**Project Name** FY16 Statewide Marketing(NY-NJ-CT Moderate)

**Description** Funds statewide marketing programs aimed at encouraging transit use and ridesharing services.

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**Amendment Notes**
FY15 TIP Amendment 15 Adds project funding

**State Project 0171-0375**

**Municipality** District 1

**Project Name** Replace VMS: I-91, 84, 384, CT2, 5, 15, 20

**Description** Project to replace existing variable message signs using existing structures on major roadways serving District 1.

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**Amendment Notes**
FY12 TIP Amend 14 introduces new project. FY15 TIP Amend 5 moves funding to FY16 and increases amount. FY15 TIP Amend 7 increases FD funding. FY15 TIP Amend 15 increases funding
Resolution
Fiscal Year 2015-Fiscal Year 2018 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment Fifteen

Whereas: U.S. Department of Transportation “Metropolitan Planning Regulations” (23 CFR 450) prescribe that each metropolitan planning organization maintain a financially constrained multi-modal transportation improvement program consistent with a State Implementation Plan for Air Quality (SIP) conforming to both U.S. Environmental Protection Administration-established air quality guidelines and SIP-established mobile source emissions budgets; and

Whereas: The Council, per 23 CFR 450.324 and in cooperation with the Connecticut Department of Transportation (ConnDOT) and public transit operators and relying upon financial constraints offered by ConnDOT, adopted a Fiscal Year 2015-Fiscal Year 2018 Transportation Improvement Program on October 22, 2014, after finding the Program conforming per U.S. Environmental Protection Administration (U.S. EPA) final conformity rule (40 CFR 51 and 93) and relevant Connecticut Department of Transportation air quality conformity determinations: Air Quality Conformity Reports: Fiscal Year 2015-2018 Transportation Improvement Program and the Region’s Long-Range Transportation Plans—2015 to 2040, (April, 2015); and

Whereas: The Council, on October 22, 2014, indicated that periodic Program adjustment or amendment was possible; and

Whereas: Projects referenced in the Program amendment (below) are consistent with the region’s long-range transportation plan (South Central Regional Long Range Transportation Plan—2015 to 2040, (April, 2015)); and

Whereas: Council Public Participation Guidelines: Transportation Planning have been observed during the development of the proposed Program amendment (below); and

Whereas: By agreement between the Council and the Connecticut Department of Transportation, public involvement activities carried out by the South Central Regional Council of Governments in response to U.S. Department of Transportation metropolitan planning requirements are intended to satisfy the requirements associated with development of a Statewide Transportation Improvement Program and/or its amendment; and

Whereas: Council of Governments’ review of transportation goals, projects and opportunities may result in further adjustment or amendment of the Program.
Resolution
Fiscal Year 2015-Fiscal Year 2018 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment Fifteen
(continued)

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved By the Council of Governments:

The Program Amendment fifteen shall be transmitted to the Connecticut Department of Transportation, for inclusion in the State Transportation Improvement Program.

The undersigned duly qualified and acting Secretary of the South Central Regional Council of Governments certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted at a legally convened meeting of the South Central Regional Council of Governments on May 25, 2016.

Date: May 25, 2016

By: ____________________________
First Selectman Joseph Mazza, Secretary
South Central Regional Council of Governments
Resolution
FY 2015 Federal Transit Administration Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility for Seniors and Persons with Disabilities.

Whereas: The State of Connecticut has received annual Federal Section 5310 funding for transportation of seniors and individuals with disabilities, since 1975; and

Whereas: MAP-21 funding is apportioned based on Transportation Management Area (TMA), the New Haven TMA including the South Central Region and portions of the Lower Connecticut River Valley Council of Governments (RiverCOG) to allow funds for capital and operating expenses; and

Whereas: $501,432 has been appropriated to the New Haven TMA for FY15, of which a minimum of 55% must be used for capital purchases; and

Whereas: SCRCOG, RiverCOG and Area public paratransit operators, have reviewed all applications from interested non-profit organizations, and prioritized projects based on criteria provided by CTDOT; and

Whereas: Agreement has been reached among the above mentioned parties on the priorities for capital purchases and operating funds after review of applications from municipalities, interested non-profit organizations, and area paratransit operators, based on ranking criteria provided by CTDOT; and

Whereas: Based upon the applications submitted, the available funding will allow for the fulfillment of the priorities noted below.
Now Therefore, Be It Resolved By The Council of Governments:

That the South Central Regional Council of Governments adopts the following 5310 priorities for the New Haven TMA:

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Date: May 25, 2016 By:  
First Selectman Joseph Mazza, Secretary  
South Central Regional Council of Governments

127 Washington Avenue, 4th Floor West, North Haven, CT 06473
Resolution Authorizing Executive Director to Accept CIRCA Municipal Resilience Grant and Negotiate and Execute Related Agreements

Whereas: The Connecticut Institute for Resilience and Climate Adaptation (CIRCA) sponsored a competitive solicitation from municipal governments and councils of government for initiatives that advance resilience and develop knowledge or experience that is transferable to multiple locations in Connecticut; and

Whereas: The South Central Regional Council of Governments (SCRCOG) was approached by the South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority and the University of Connecticut to form a partnership for Climate Adaptation and Resiliency Planning for the Protection of Public Drinking Water in the South Central Region; and

Whereas: The initiative will develop useful climate information and products to help SCRCOG’s member municipalities, and the region’s water utility companies adapt to and enhance the resiliency of public drinking water supplies to a changing climate; and

Whereas: SCRCOG, as the lead applicant, has been awarded a $26,027 CIRCA Municipal Resilience Grant for Climate Adaptation and Resiliency Planning for the Protection of Public Drinking Water in the South Central Region;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved By the Council of Governments

The South Central Regional Council of Governments’ Executive Director, Carl J. Amento, is hereby authorized to accept the CIRCA Municipal Resilience Grant for Climate Adaptation and Resiliency Planning for the Protection of Public Drinking Water in the South Central Region and to negotiate and execute all appropriate and necessary contractual instruments with the South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority and with the University of Connecticut in furtherance of this grant initiative.

Certificate:

The undersigned duly qualified and acting Secretary of the South Central Regional Council of Governments certified that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted at a legally convened meeting of the SCRCOG on May 25, 2016.

Date: May 25, 2016

By:

First Selectman Joseph Mazza, Secretary
South Central Regional Council of Governments
SCRCOG

Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Budget

Proposed – May 25, 2016
The FY 2016-17 Draft SCRCOG Budget proposes:

- **No municipal dues increase.** SCRCOG dues rate has remained the same for over 10 years. The dues rate of 27 cents per capita is the lowest among the 9 Councils of Government in the state.

- **Total budget over $2.5 million.** The proposed SCRCOG budget for FY 2016-17 totals $2,583,081 down slightly from $2,629,205 (original budget) and $2,915,863 (revised budget) in FY 2015-16.

- **Increased transportation funding.** Federal and state transportation funding for FY 2016-17 totals $1,651,487 up from $1,393,558 in FY 2015-16.

- **Grant money being spent down.** Non-transportation grant revenue is projected to be down next year at $776,594 compared to $1,367,105 in FY 2015-16. This is as a result of the spend down of the $700,000 Coastal Resilience grant, and the $591,028 GIS grant awarded to SCRCOG in previous years. However, a new grant has been applied for by SCRCOG for a Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan that has not been included in the proposed budget for next year.

- **Operating expenses down.** Budgeted operating expenses (Salaries, Benefits, Travel, Computer Supplies & Software, Rent and General Office Expenses) total $932,562 down from $967,113 in FY 2015-16, despite the inclusion of a new position of Regional Planner in the proposed budget.

- **Health and dental insurance costs are down significantly.** Budgeted health and dental costs decrease in 2016-17 by a total of $31,600 ($127,900 to $96,300) or 24.7%. Our high deductible/health savings account plan has significantly reduced benefits costs since it was instituted in 2010.
• **Benefits down by over $35K.** Overall, our proposed total budgeted benefits cost (Social Security and Medicare taxes, unemployment compensation, health, dental, life, long-term disability, and pension) of $173,320 is $36,058 or 17.2% less than our current year benefits budget of $209,378.

• **More funds for studies.** Next year’s Unified Planning Work Program will fund $610,000 in transportation studies for the benefit of our member cities and towns. This compares to $525,000 budgeted in the current year.

• **Revenue has become more diversified.** The proposed budget continues the trend of a more diversified revenue stream with the continued funding of the State Grant in Aid (SGIA) at the scheduled level of $360,000 for FY 2016-17, after $410,000 was received by SCRCOG in both FY 2015-16 and FY 2014-15. The recently-enacted state budget re-confirmed that SCRCOG’s SGIA allocation for 2017-2018 is $1.2 million.

• **Proposed budget includes staff restructuring & addition of new position, but salary adjustments phased over two years.** The SCRCOG Executive Committee at its April meeting recommended that the Staff Restructuring Proposal, including the hiring of a new staff member, be approved by the SCRCOG Board, but that the salary adjustments proposed be phased in over two budget years.
# South Central Regional Council of Governments
## Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Budget Summary
### Proposed - May 25, 2016

## Revenue

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**TOTAL Revenue**: 2,915,863, 2,583,081

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**Total Expenses**: 2,915,863, 2,583,081

* includes proposed Planner position starting July 1, 2016
### Fiscal Year 2016-17 Municipal Dues

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Resolution

South Central Regional Council of Governments Budget
Fiscal Year 2017 (July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017)

Whereas: South Central Regional Council of Governments (SCRCOG) By-Laws prescribe that the Council shall review and approve SCRCOG budgets, and

Whereas: SCRCOG’s Executive Committee has reviewed and recommends acceptance of the proposed Fiscal Year 2017 budget totaling $2,583,081

Now, therefore be resolved by the South Central Regional Council of Governments:

That a Fiscal Year 2017 Budget is adopted (copy attached), and

That Fiscal Year 2017 SCRCOG municipal dues are established at 27 cents per capita, per the Connecticut Department of Public Health’s July 2014 population estimates.

Certificate:

The undersigned duly qualified and acting Secretary of the South Central Regional Council of Governments certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted at a legally convened meeting of the SCRCOG on May 25, 2016.

Date: May 25, 2016

By: _________________________

First Selectman Joseph Mazza, Secretary
South Central Regional Council of Governments
Grant Opportunities
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- **Posted Date:** Mar 22, 2016
- **Last Updated Date:** Mar 22, 2016
- **Original Closing Date for Applications:** May 23, 2016
- **Current Closing Date for Applications:** May 23, 2016
- **Archive Date:** Jun 22, 2016

- **Estimated Total Program Funding:** $750,000
- **Award Ceiling:** $750,000
- **Award Floor:** $150,000

## ELIGIBILITY

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## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
Agency Name: DOT Federal Highway Administration

Description: The MAP-21 funds come from a set-aside of funds under the Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) (23 U.S.C. 213, as in effect prior to the FAST Act). The FAST Act funds come from a set-aside of funds under the STP Set-Aside (23 U.S.C. 133(h), as amended by the FAST Act Section 1109). The TAP and STP Set-Aside funds use the same Federal share as the Federal-aid highway program under 23 U.S.C. 120. Therefore, the recipient must provide not less than 20 percent match.

Link to Additional Information:

Contact Information: If you have difficulty accessing the full announcement electronically, please contact:

Angela Jones Agreement Specialist Phone 202-366-4255
Specialist Email Address
# 2016NEA01OT
Our Town FY 17
National Endowment for the Arts

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## Additional Information

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
Agency Name: National Endowment for the Arts

Description: Organizations may apply for creative placemaking projects that contribute to the livability of communities and place the arts at their core. Our Town offers support for projects in two areas: • Arts Engagement, Cultural Planning, and Design Projects that represent the distinct character and quality of their communities. These projects require a partnership between a nonprofit organization and a local government entity, with one of the partners being a cultural organization. Matching grants range from $25,000 to $200,000. • Projects that Build Knowledge About Creative Placemaking. These projects are available to arts and design service organizations, and industry, policy, or university organizations that provide technical assistance to those doing place-based work. Matching grants range from $25,000 to $100,000.

Link to Additional Information: Our Town Guidelines

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Web Manager
Web manager's email address
Upcoming Events
Connecticut's Forest History
Tuesday, May 31, 2016
2 PM to 3 PM

Aligned with the theme of CLEAR’s Connecticut’s Changing Landscape Project, but looking much farther back in time, we will discuss the natural forces and human land use activities that have shaped the composition and structure of the forest resource in CT as we see it today. Historical narratives and images, along with some data and discussion of current trends can be anticipated.

Presenters: Tom Worthley, Extension Forester, CLEAR, and Jeffrey Ward, CT Agricultural Experiment Station

REGISTER FOR WEBINAR
2016 Bike Walk Summit - Register Today!

Please join us on June 3 at Central Connecticut State University in New Britain for the 2016 Bike Walk Summit.

The Summit will bring together people from all over Connecticut to talk about how to improve bicycling and walking in our state:

- Learn from Keynote Speaker, national planning expert, Mark Fenton
- Hear the latest biking and walking updates from around the state
- Get guidance on implementing Complete Streets policies in your community
- Network and socialize with like-minded professionals and advocates throughout the state

Come away energized and inspired and with tools you can use to make a change. Join Bike Walk Connecticut at this year’s summit and help make cycling and walking safe, feasible and attractive for a healthier, cleaner Connecticut.

Register at [www.bikewalkct.org/summit-2016](http://www.bikewalkct.org/summit-2016)
2016 SiteFinder Showcase

Registration now open

The 15th annual CERC SiteFinder Showcase will take place on Jun 8, 2016 from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the new Corsair Apartments in New Haven.

This event will bring together commercial brokers, municipal economic developers and others interested in economic development and will focus on how redevelopment and collaborative partnerships are building vibrant urban communities for a new generation of residents.

Building Vibrant Communities

- 8:30 am  Registration and Networking
- 9:00 am  City Involvement - New Haven Mayor Toni Harp
- 9:15 am  Neighborhood Development - Andrew Montell of Corsair and John Simone of CT Main Street
- 10:00 am Brownfields and Regulatory - Tim Sullivan of DT DECD and Courtney Hendricson of CERC
- 10:45 am Networking, tours or the complex
- Optional lunch on your own
Business Recruitment, Retention

Business Assistance

- Media request for businesses in Greater New Haven selling throughout the state and beyond. Outreach underway.
- Assisted with launch of Made in New Haven press conference
- 5/23 Frontier: Fiber Is the Future presentation

Business Recruitment & Retention

- Attended Hannover Messe Manufacturing Tradeshow with 17 appointments. Debrief with Commissioner Smith of DECD to be scheduled as DECD and REX/City of New Haven met with different companies.
- Attended the Marcum & GNHCC 2016 Real Estate Forum presented by Regional Water Authority
- Coordinating with developer on Upjohn site

Advocacy

- Attending American Hotel & Lodging Association Legislation Action Summit in Washington, DC. May 17 & 18
Site Visits

- Site visit in West Haven

Tradeshows

- **Central Regional Tourism District Brochure Swap**, May 12, 2016
- **Connecticut Governor’s Conference on Tourism**, April 27, 2016
- **Hannover Messe Manufacturing Tradeshow**, May 2-6, 2016

Upcoming

- **Metro-North Getaway Day at Grand Central Station**, May 21, 2016
- **MD&M East**, June 14-16, 2016

Regional Collaboration

- CERC Quarterly Meeting: DECD and OPM are trying to respond to EDA regarding the consolidation of the RPOs and new CEDs/EDD Districts that are required as a result of the new boundaries and legislation. Until this issue is resolved, REX will not be eligible for Regional Planning Grants. Although our region was not changed in the realignment, US EDA is requiring that all Connecticut EDD’s be in compliance before providing planning grants for any CT EDD.
  
  - Attended GNHCC Economic Development and Governmental Affairs Committee meeting
  
  - Attending UIL Cool Communities event on 5/19

Infrastructure

Telecommunications

- REDFO presentation by Art Randolph of Frontier Communications

Entrepreneurs & Startups

- Startup Grind, May 19 with Matt Powers of Uber
  
  - Assistance with Made in New Haven in conjunction with the City of New Haven and Project Storefronts

Expand Global Opportunities

- Attended Hannover Messe (manufacturing tradeshow)

**Visitor Newsletter Features**

- The Robin Hood Springtime Festival
  
  - Greater New Haven Trails
  
  - Yale Center for British Art Reopening
  
  - Bishop’s Orchards Annual Donkey & Mule Day
Align Education to Business Growth

- Distributed applications to Municipal Economic Development staff and commissions for Economic Development Internship Program. Six municipal applications were received.

Brownfields Redevelopment

- Finalized 43-53 Atwater assessment

Implementation Funding

- Participated in the Community Foundation for Greater New Haven’s Great Give fundraiser
- 2016 Annual CEDS Update (US EDA requirement)

Marketing & Communications

- Continued collaboration with the Central Regional Tourism District and the State Office of Tourism on the new ctvisit.com
- Published online version of the 2016-2017 Greater New Haven Cultural and Visitors Guide on the visitnewhaven.com website
- Submission of two projects for 2016 IEDC Awards: Alexion and Bioscience Career Ladder
## May 2016 Action Table

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<td>Madison</td>
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CTrides Spring Planning

In the first quarter of 2016, the major focus was planning for CTrides’ two major annual Outreach Events—Earth Week in April and CTrides Week in May.

Earth Week—April 18-22, 2016
CTrides uses Earth Day, April 22, as a strategic way to promote its alternate commuting platform for the entire week. With the minds of employers and employees already turned to helping the Earth, CTrides’ “Change Your Commute. Make A Difference.” campaign was developed to reinforce the day’s theme.

Materials developed to promote the event with CTrides business partners included an event poster, an email blast, and a Facebook event.

CTrides Week—May 16-20, 2016
CTrides Week is the program’s annual capstone event that encourages Connecticut commuters to try a new green commute just once during the week. This year, in addition to the annual “pledging” of a green commute, CTrides will incorporate our Ridematching & Rewards program into the week, encouraging commuters to also track their trip. Employer awards will be given based on pledges and trips tracked. Five total awards will be distributed.

This year’s theme was developed as a continued push to drive people to our Website and is entitled: “A Better Commute. A Click Away.” In addition to our ground push with outreach to employers, CTrides will feature our campaign on our social media, as well as some of our select paid advertising.

Additionally, a webpage was setup on CTrides.com exclusively for employers to encourage them to sign-up and provide them details about the week. A “Save-the-Date” was also designed and distributed to partners in January as preemptive marketing for the week.
CTrider Advertising and Public Relations

During the 1Q 2016, the CTrider ‘Give It A Rest’ campaign targeting drive-alone workers kicked off. Messaging emphasized the benefits of leaving the car at home and taking alternate transportation, namely: financial saving and stress relief.

The campaign is being channeled to the public via print (see left), outdoor, TV, digital, and radio through June, 2016.

In addition to paid media, the program gained the benefit of organic exposure through a number of means.

The first was a quarterly partner newsletter, disseminated in January, that had elaborate details on what happened in the 2015 Q4 and what was to come in early 2016.

CTrider was also featured in the quarterly newsletter for the Association for Commuter Transportation, and on the video boards at partner sites, such as The Hartford and Lawrence + Memorial Hospital.

CTrider Social Media

CTrider social media covered a wide array of topics this quarter including valuable information such as the first anniversary of the state’s bus rapid transit system, CTfastrak.

Also popular was CTrider in action at Gateway Community College, one of our partner events, highlighting the use of interactive gamification.

Other popular social posts featured:
- CTranist in the snow
- Biking as a gateway to social awareness
- CRCOG Transit Study for I-84 Project
- Partnership for Strong Communities event focusing on improving transportation to improve communities
- Carpool Karaoke with Adele
- Mobility Lab recycling parking spaces
- Federal Grant for 9 Town Transit, Greater Bridgeport Transit, Housatonic Area Regional Transit
CTrides Website Enhancements & Updates

In the 1st Quarter of 2016, the CTrides team continued to make improvements to update and streamline content on the program's website. We updated the homepage with a new design that allowed for a more streamlined, responsive display. Part of this latest enhancement had a strict emphasis on mobile devices.

The new site features an enhanced mobile layout with a “scroll wheel” for the menu as opposed to the previous dropdown tabs. Further, the site’s menu tabs were consolidated using drop downs in order to simplify the menu and more easily categorize the Website for viewers.

The Custom Commute Plan was also automated to communicate directly with Google Transit’s API. Consequently, when someone enters their data for the Commute Plan, it sends that information directly to Google and the API returns a draft template with the Custom Commute Plan details already there.

The goal is to ultimately provide the most accurate data to the consumers in a cost-effective, efficient manner. This allows for the customized commute plans to have another layer of review for accuracy.
Partner Activity

This quarter, CTrides added seven new partners: Collins and Jewell, Paier College of Art, The Hartford, Mohegan Sun, Carrow Real Estate Services, Jones Lang LaSalle Americas, and SeeClickFix.

This brings the total number of CTrides Partners to 215 and the number of Stakeholders to 180.

The team also recognized three partners, one from each of the three CT regions, for their commitment in offering employees various commuter benefits.

- **L+M Hospital**—Created a great rideshare program, setup carpool parking on site, and a Bike-to-Work breakfast in May.
- **Aetna**—Sells bus passes on site, offering commute-friendly amenities like a cafeteria, coffee shop, and pharmacy and a dedicated parking office that manages employees needs.
- **Tauck Tours**—Part of their relocation was focused solely on being near transit; also offers employees telework and tax benefits.

The CTrides Outreach Team held **273 Worksite Meetings** and **114 Commuter Events** with their worksite partners during Q1. The partner total is now up to **215** and the stakeholder total is now **180**.

This quarter’s worksite activity, segmented by region, can be found on the following pages. A complete list of program partners is in Appendix A.
Regional Worksite Highlights

Western CT includes Litchfield, Housatonic, Bridgeport & Stamford regions.

Highlights
Town of Greenwich— Employee transportation survey conducted with 461 responses from all town staff.
Oracle – Materials posted promoting Earth Week events.
Ridley-Lowell— Referral by HARTransit to use vanpools as alternate mode change.
ASML— Interested in vanpools and employee parking cash out program. Survey to be conducted.
Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments – Participated in NVision 2020 conference surrounding infrastructure and development in area.
University of Bridgeport & Naugatuck Valley Community College - Student events with over 200 students that led to high interest including 100 NuRide registrations at UB.

Events
- Augustana Homes
- Cartus
- Eastern Account System
- Fairfield Chamber of Commerce
- Home for the Brave
- Housatonic Community College
- Marcus Partners Management
- Naugatuck Valley Community College
- Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments
- Norwalk Community Technical College
- PEP - Lacey Manufacturing
- Property Group Partners
- Southwest Community Health Center
- St. Mary’s Hospital
- Stone Academy (Waterbury)
- Tauck Tours

Meetings
- Western CT COG
- Waterbury Hospital
- Victorinox Swiss Army
- UCONN-Stamford
- UCONN-Waterbury
- Town of Greenwich
- Town of Fairfield
- The Montalto Group
- The Business Council of Fairfield County
- Tauck Tours
- Synchrony Financial
- Stop and Shop (Monroe)
- Stone Academy (Waterbury)
- Stamford Public Schools
- Stamford Hospital
- Stamford High School
- St. Vincent’s Medical Center
- St. Mary’s Hospital
- St. Joseph Manor
- Southwest Community Health Center
- Southwest Community Health
- Scholastic Corporation
- Ridley-Lowell Business & Technical Institute
- RBC Bearings
- Property Group Partners
- PEP - Lacey Manufacturing
- People’s United Bank
- Oracle Corporation
- Norwalk Transit
- Norwalk Community Technical College
- North East Transportation Co.
- Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments
- Naugatuck Valley COG
- Merritt Parkway Trail Alliance
- Marcus Partners Management
- Maefair Healthcare Center
- Konover Residential
- Housatonic Community College
- Home for the Brave
- Hologic Inc.
- HARTransit
- Greater Bridgeport Transit
- Goodwill of Western & Northern CT
- Goodwill (Monroe)
- Frontier Communications
- Fairfield University
- Fairfield Chamber of Commerce
- Enterprise Holdings
- Elim Park Baptist Home
- Cushman & Wakefield
- CT Department of Labor
- City of Waterbury
- City of Stamford
- City of Bristol
- City of Bridgeport
- Cartus
- Bridgeport Public Schools
- Bozzuto’s Distributors
- Bigelow Tea
- Big Y (Monroe)
- Barnum Financial Group
- Augustana Homes
- ASML, Inc.
- Ashcroft
Southern CT includes Middlesex, New Haven & coastal regions

Highlights
Paier College of Art—New partner excited about using the full slate of CTrides services.

Collins and Jewell – New partner wanting to implement vanpools and interested in Guaranteed Ride Home.

Mohegan Sun - New partner. Surveys in multiple languages distributed to get feedback on transportation needs. Training held on use of Ridematching & Reward program.

Yale University—Graduate housing fair highly involved and successful.

Route 34 Corridor Initiative—Attended round table and discussed CTrides strategy with many large New Haven companies.

Girl Scouts - Scheduled CTrides presentation.

Fair Haven Community Health Center—Helping them with parking issues and Commuter Tax Benefit implementation.

Events
- Albertus Magnus
- Eastern Connecticut State University
- Elm City Cycling
- Foxwoods Resort and Casino
- Fusco Corporation
- Gateway Community College
- goNHgo
- Job Corps-New Haven
- Lawrence + Memorial Hospital
- Middlesex Hospital
- Mohegan Sun Casino
- Paier College of Art
- Quinebaug Valley Community College
- Quinnipiac University
- Sodexo
- Southern Connecticut State University
- Three Rivers Comm. College
- Yale University

Meetings
- Yale University
- Yale New Haven Hospital
- Windham Region Transit District
- Wesleyan University
- Vride
- University of New Haven
- Three Rivers Community College
- The Kennedy Center
- South Central Regional Council of Governments
- Shoreline Greenway Trail
- SeeClickFix
- SCRCOG
- Quinnipiac University
- Quinebaug Valley Community College Willimantic Center
- Quinebaug Valley CC
- Paier College of Art
- New London Water Taxi
- New London Main Street
- Nelson\Nygaard Consulting Associates
- Nelson\Nygaard Consulting
- Mohegan Sun Casino
- Mitchell College
- Middlesex Hospital
- Masonicare Health Center
- Lawrence + Memorial Hospital
- Knights of Columbus
- Job Corps- New Haven
- IKEA (New Haven)
- Hilton Garden Inn (Wallingford)
- Higher One
- Green Street Arts Center
- Greater New Haven Chamber
- GoNHGO
- Girl Scouts of Connecticut
- Gaylord Specialty Health care
- Gateway Community College
- Garde Arts Center
- Fusco Corporation
- Frontier Communications
- Foxwoods Resort and Casino
- Fair Haven Community Health Center
- ECSU
- Eastern CT State University
- Cornell Scott-Hill Health
- Community Health Center of New London
- Collins and Jewell Co Inc.
- City of New Haven
- Bradley Street Bicycle Co-op
- BikeWalkCT
- Atlantic City Linen Supply
- Anthem Blue Cross Blue Shield
- Amazon Sorting Center (Wallingford)
- Alexion Pharmaceuticals
- Albertus Magnus
Regional Worksite Highlights

Eastern CT includes the Hartford, North and Central regions of Connecticut

Highlights
United Healthcare – Met with parking office and property manager to get setup for 2016.

CRCOG – Involved in public outreach open houses centered around transit analysis.

Travelers – Distributed over 300 surveys for CRCOG concerning comprehensive transit analysis.

Pratt and Whitney – New environment, health and safety team leader excited for CT rides Earth Day event.

Triumph Engine Controls – Planned entire 2016 employee engagement sessions and outreach.

Permasteelisa – Spring info. session on the books.

Hydrofera – Interested in vanpools.

CT Children’s Medical Center – Wants to increase partner level.

Events
• Aetna
• Albertus Magnus

Meetings
• vRide
• University of St. Joseph
• United Healthcare
• UConn Greater Hartford
• Tunxis Community College
• Triumph
• The Hartford
• Stone Academy (East Hartford)
• Shipman & Goodwin
• Saint Francis Hospital
• Pratt and Whitney
• Permasteelisa
• Partnership for Strong Communities
• New Britain Downtown District
• New Britain CT Works Center

• MetroHartford Alliance
• MassMutual
• Manchester Community College
• Lincoln Life Insurance
• Jones Lang Lasalle Americas
• Job Corps
• Voya Financial
• Hydrofera
• Homegoods Distribution
• Hartford Steam Boiler
• Hartford Public Schools
• Goodwin College
• Dept. of Children and Families
• Department of Revenue Services
• DEEP
• CTfastrak
• CT Children’s Medical Center
• CPTV
• Connecticare
• City of New Britain
• City of Hartford
• Cigna
• Central CT State University
• Central Connecticut Chambers of Commerce
• CBIA
• Carrow Real Estate Services
• Carecentrix
• Capitol Region Council of Governments
• Capital Community College
• Cabela’s
• Buckland Hills Mall
• Branford Hall (Windsor campus)
• BikeWalkCT
• Amazon
• Albertus Magnus
• Aetna
Consumer Feedback

First quarter highlights for the Customer Service team are:

1) Upgrading to new Help Scout shared email system in order to better collaborate on multiple inboxes.

2) Addition of survey-tracking on all outgoing emails.

3) New process of tracking emails to ensure data accuracy.

Customer Service Details:

- **4,700 Total Inquiries into CTrides**
  - **2,016 inbound calls** - Including 16 callers either using Spanish as their primary language or from people with disabilities
  - Responded to **2,247 email inquiries**
  - Made **194 marketing or informational outbound calls**
  - Facilitated **243 live chats**

- **Provided 76 Guaranteed Rides** to 59 monthly vanpool riders, 13 express bus commuters and 3 Shore Line East/Metro-North train riders.

- **Distributed 78 trial bus passes to commuters** meeting the program’s Trial Ride criteria.

- **A follow-up survey** for the quarter netted the following results with 5 follow-up survey respondents, 3 used the pass, 3 will continue to use transit and 2 rated service 4-5 out of 5.
Telework Marketing & Activities

During January, CTrides worked with the Connecticut Business Industry Association (CBIA) to host a free Telework Webinar. The presentation was geared toward Human Resource representatives and business leaders. This event was cross-marketeted by both the CBIA and CTrides and was very successful.

As for paid media, both digital and print ran statewide. Ads used the theme of focusing on Telework programs as a key part of a business continuity plan. These ads were updated to fit the winter season as can be seen below at left. Digital metrics showed strong results:

- Exceeding .05% average benchmark for digital
- More than 1.2 million impressions with 1,700 clicks to CTrides.com.
- Overall click through rate of .14%.

Telework Client Activities

Telework business consulting consisted of work with the following companies:

- **CERC, Rocky Hill**—Consultation with senior management to discuss growing existing program because of increased business levels and real estate restrictions. HR documents submitted and training session held.

- **Meridian Health Management, Windsor**—Update with senior management on new program and discussion of challenges and potential resolutions.

- **SERC, Middletown**—Consultation with senior management to discuss training session in April. Policy reviewed with emphasis on eligible positions, training module prepared/submitted.
CTrides Ridematching & Rewards Program

In the first quarter of 2016, 1,882 new members were added to the CTrides Ridematch & Reward program.

These additional members reflect on the marketing and outreach efforts as well as a number of raffles, sponsored and administered through the program vendor NuRide. The major raffle for this first quarter can be seen below.

Additionally, a number of notable technical updates were launched:

- Version 8.2.0 was released:
  - This included the redemption of mobile coupons
  - Viewing rewards by a user’s distance to the specific reward location
  - Ability for outreach members to download an entire list of rewards for their specific region
- Version 8.3.0 was released and included:
  - Ability to connect with NuRiders using Facebook friend
  - Upgraded security with the use of https as opposed to http
  - It’s also now possible to view rewards on a map or a list

Notable New Rewards in the CTrides Ridematch & Reward Program:

- **Zipcar**—$25 FREE driving for new members
- **Omaha Steaks**—$109 OFF Great Values
- **CheapOAir**—$40 OFF flight
- **FromYouFlowers**—$10 OFF each item or 25% OFF entire order
- **Boston Celtics**—30% OFF tickets
- **Garde Arts Center**—$5 OFF shows

The Ridematching & Rewards program continued the momentum of its Fall/Winter raffles with this great Spring raffle—3 $50 gift cards to FromYouFlowers.com, just in time for Mother’s Day!
As of the 1Q 2016, there are more than 200 businesses, agencies and municipalities partnered with CTrides — New Partners highlighted in bold

1. 1-169th Aviation Regiment
2. 3M Purification
3. Aaron Manor
4. Albertus Magnus
5. Allied World Assurance Inc.
6. American Cancer Society
7. American Heart Association
8. Anthem Blue Cross Blue Shield
9. ASML, Inc.
10. Aurora Products Inc.
11. Avon Health Center
12. BELIMO Aircontrols
13. Bigelow Tea
14. BikewalkCT
15. Bishop Woods Executive Academy
16. BLT Management, LLC
17. Branford Hall (Branford campus)
18. Branford Hall (Southington campus)
19. Branford Hall (Windsor campus)
20. Bridgeport Fittings
21. Bridgeport Public Schools
22. Building & Land Technology
23. Capital Community College
24. Carrow Real Estate
25. Cartus
26. Cheshire Public Schools
27. CHUBB Specialty Ins.
28. Cigna
29. City of Bridgeport
30. City of Danbury
31. City of New Britain
32. City of New Haven
33. City of New London
34. City of Stamford Land Use Bureau
35. City of Waterbury
36. City of Waterbury - Dept. of Public Works
37. City of Waterbury - Public Health
38. Collins and Jewell Co.
39. Comet Technologies
40. Community Health Group
41. Connecticut
42. Connecticut Children’s Medical Center
43. Connecticut Department of Labor
44. Connecticut Department of Transportation
45. Connecticut Valley Hospital
46. Connecticut Water
47. Connecticut Water Company
48. Coventry Public Schools
49. Covidien
50. Danbury Public Schools
51. Department of Administrative Services
52. Department of Economic and Community Development
53. Department of Emergency Services & Public Protection
54. Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (Hartford)
55. Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (New Britain)
56. Department of Public Health (Rocky Hill)
57. Department of Revenue Services
58. Diageo, Inc.
59. Duncaster Retirement Community
60. Eastern Account Systems
61. Eastern Connecticut State University
62. Eastern Connecticut Transportation Consortium
63. Eastern CT Workforce Investment Board
64. Eastern Workforce Investment Board
65. Electric Boat
66. Fairfield Public Schools
67. Ferguson Electric CO
68. First Niagara Bank
69. Foxwoods Resort Casino
70. FTD
71. Fusco Corporation
72. Gateway Community College
73. Generations Family Health Center
74. Glastonbury Chamber of Commerce
75. Globe Paquot Press
76. Goodwin College
77. Greater Bridgeport Regional Council
Appendix A: Partner List

78. Greater Bridgeport Transit
79. Greater Waterbury YMCA
80. The Hartford
81. Hartford Steam Boiler
82. HARTtransit
83. Housatonic Community College
84. Hughes Health and Rehabilitation
85. IKEA (New Haven)
86. IRS Federal Building
87. JLL Americas
88. Job Corps New Haven
89. Kimberly Hall Healthcare
90. Lawrence + Memorial Hospital
91. Legrand Ortronics
92. Lincoln Culinary Institute (Hartford)
93. Lincoln Life Insurance/Freemont Group Management
94. Lincoln Technical Institute (New Britain)
95. Litchfield Public Schools
96. Lord Chamberlain Nursing Center
97. Lower Connecticut River Valley Council of Governments
98. Lowe’s Distribution Center
99. Macy’s Logistics & Operations
100. Macy’s.com
101. Malkin Properties
102. Manchester Community College
103. Marrakech
104. Marrakech, Inc.
105. MassMutual
106. Memry Corporation
107. Middlesex Community College
108. Middlesex Community College - Meriden Campus
109. Middlesex Hospital
110. Middletown Downtown Business District
111. Mitchell College
112. Mohegan Sun
113. Morgan Stanley
114. Mystic Aquarium
115. Naugatuck Valley Community College
116. New Britain CT Works Center
117. New Britain Downtown District
118. Newtown High School
119. Northeast Utilities
120. Northeastern Connecticut Council of Governments
121. Northwest Connecticut Chamber of Commerce
122. Norwalk Community Technical College
123. Norwalk Transit
124. Oracle Corporation
125. Paier College of Art
126. People’s Bank (Bridgeport)
127. Pratt & Whitney (Middletown)
128. Pratt and Whitney (East Hartford)
129. Projects Inc.
130. Prudential
131. Purdue Pharma
132. Quinebaug Valley Community College
133. Quinebaug Valley Community College (Willimantic Center)
134. Quinnipiac University
135. Reckson/SL Green
136. RM Bradley
137. Saint Francis Hospital
138. Seabury Retirement Community
139. SeeClickFix
140. Shipman & Goodwin
141. Siemens Healthcare Diagnostics
Appendix A: Partner List

142. South Central Regional Council of Governments
143. Southeastern Connecticut Council of Governments
144. Southern Connecticut State University
145. Southwest Community Health Center
146. St. Mary’s Hospital
147. Stamford Chamber of Commerce
148. Stamford Downtown Special Services District (SDSSD)
149. Starwood Hotel
150. Stone Academy (East Hartford)
151. Stone Academy (Waterbury)
152. Tauck Tours
153. Thames Valley Council for Community Action
154. The Davis Companies
155. The Kennedy Center, Inc.
156. Thomaston Public Schools
157. Three Rivers Community College
158. Torrington Public Schools
159. Town Green Special Services District
160. Town of Barkhamsted
161. Town of Brookfield
162. Town of Cheshire
163. Town of Coventry
164. Town of Fairfield
165. Town of Farmington
166. Town of Greenwich
167. Town of Hamden
168. Town of Hartford
169. Town of Lebanon
170. Town of Manchester
171. Town of Monroe
172. Town of New Milford
173. Town of North Branford
174. Town of Redding
175. Town of Rocky Hill
176. Town of Scotland
177. Town of Thomaston
178. Town of Wallingford
179. Town of Westport
180. Town of Wethersfield
181. Town of Windham
182. Town of Windsor
183. Travelers
184. Trinity College
185. Triumph
186. UConn Health Center
187. Ultra Electronics
188. United Illuminating
189. United Steel
190. United Tech. Aerospace
191. University of Bridgeport
192. University of CT (Storrs)
193. University of CT (Stamford)
194. University of Hartford
195. University of New Haven
196. Valley Transit District
197. Veterans Affairs CT Healthcare System
198. Veterans Affairs CT Healthcare System (West Haven)
199. Voya Financial
200. Walgreens Distribution Center
201. Waterbury Board of Education
202. Waterbury Hospital
203. Watson Foods
204. Wesleyan University
205. West Hartford Health and Rehab
206. Western CT Council of Governments
207. Western CT State University
208. Westport Police Department
209. Whole Foods (Glastonbury)
210. Windham Region Transit District
211. XL Group
212. Yale New Haven Hospital
213. Yale University
214. YMCA Greater Hartford