

Community Investment Fund 2030, CIF Board Meeting, 3/12/24

Round 4 Summaries of Projects for Recommendation

ASYLUM HILL NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION, Hartford, \$3,092,721

“Aetna/Comet Diner”

CIF funds will be used to complete remediation, renovate and reactivate the historic diner, and provide a local community meeting space.

BOROUGH OF NAUGATUCK, Naugatuck, \$5,754,493

“Rubber Avenue Corridor Revitalization”

CIF funds will transform the Rubber Avenue Corridor by investing in infrastructure to promote private investment while enabling connectivity and increasing resiliency through stormwater drainage upgrades in the Nettleton Avenue area.

BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB OF NEW BRITAIN, New Britain, \$250,000

“Building Brighter Futures Together”

CIF funding will support the renovations and updating of Camp Schade to be more accessible and provide a safe and modern summer camp.

BRIDGEPORT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, Bridgeport, \$8,000,000

“Connecticut Sports & Community Infrastructure”

CIF Funds will be used towards remediation of 20-acres of brownfield sites including portions of 255 and 363 Kossuth Street, 83 - 153 Howe Street, and 141 – 173 Stratford Avenue, and an area of land between 141 Stratford Avenue and 255 Kossuth Street, and establishment of sustainable waterfront location through coastal resiliency and flood mitigation infrastructure. The CIF Funds will support the public greenspace and park aspects of the project.

CHARTER OAK CULTURAL CENTER, Hartford, \$6,500,000

“Renovation and Restoration of 21 Charter Oak Avenue”

CIF grants funds will renovate Connecticut’s first synagogue at 21 Charter Oak Avenue and historic 25 Charter Oak Avenue. The Charter Oak Cultural Center City School for the Arts will add 8 classrooms and update ADA compliance.

CITY OF DANBURY, Danbury, \$1,325,000

“South Main Street Revitalization”

CIF grant funds will improve sidewalks at the intersection of Park & Main, renovate Elmwood Park and provide for a neighborhood drainage study.

CITY OF NEW BRITAIN, New Britain, \$250,000

“Mount Pleasant - Myrtle Street Corridor”

CIF funds will assist with the community engagement and Master Planning of transformation of 20 acres of distressed area into a sustainable community by outlining the project’s scope, goals and design.

CITY OF NORWICH, Norwich, \$2,000,000

“Waterfront Revitalization”

CIF funds will provide for public improvements at Howard T. Brown Park.

CLICK, INC., Windham, \$2,799,222

“Promoting Equity by Regional Food Hub Expansion”

With CIF funds, CLICK will renovate its current kitchen to create a processing and cold storage facility, add a second-floor mezzanine space for offices and build-out a community training space.

COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER, INC., Middletown, \$2,130,500

“The Urban Garden Greenhouse”

CIF funds will build a four-season glass greenhouse on the CHCI campus. The multi-purpose greenhouse will provide opportunities for community educational programming, community meeting space and growing starter trees for transplantation in partnership with the City of Middletown and local organizations to create a tree canopy.

CONNECTICUT TRUST FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION, INC., Bridgeport, \$5,156,141

“Washington Park Community Preservation”

CIF funds will allow Preservation CT and the Washington Park Revitalization Committee to conduct studies and perform critical renovations to seven locally and nationally significant places located within 5 city blocks. Funds will support state and national Register documentations of buildings throughout the neighborhood.

CONTINUUM OF CARE, INC., New Haven, \$2,750,000

“Ella-Blake Project”

CIF funding will enable Continuum of Care to purchase its two facilities at 977 Ella Grasso Boulevard and 163 Blake Street. Funds will preserve 58 units of affordable housing.

FRIENDS CENTER FOR CHILDREN, New Haven, \$250,000

“Flint Street Family Campus”

CIF will provide a planning grant for community engagement and design of the Flint Street Family Campus.

HAVEN'S HARVEST, New Haven, \$250,000

"Phase 2 Planning"

CIF funds will allow for planning towards community engagement and a feasibility study of the intersection of its work and the needs of the community in the Fair Haven neighborhood.

LYMAN ALLYN ART MUSEUM, New London, \$1,620,357

"Lyman Allyn Park"

CIF funds will allow the museum to complete the Lyman Allyn Park, a 12-acre urban park with lighted walkways, sculpture gardens, an event stage, a water feature and green spaces.

NEW HAVEN MUSEUM, New Haven, \$350,000

"Planning for 325 Lighthouse Road and 114 Whitney Avenue"

CIF Planning funds will allow for community engagement, a Master Plan and designs for renovations and upgrades for the museum's two sites.

NORTHEAST NEIGHBORHOOD PARTNERS, INC., Hartford, \$900,000

"Hartford Workforce Hub"

CIF funds will support the development of the Hartford Workforce Hub in the Swift Factory.

NORWALK REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY, Norwalk, \$3,000,000

"South Norwalk Streetscape Improvements"

CIF funding will make significant capital improvements to public infrastructure to support pedestrian infrastructure and align with completed mobility study.

OVERLOOK DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, Hartford, \$5,527,250

"Willow Creek"

CIF funds will provide pre-development, site improvements and infrastructure for connectivity of the streets, utilities and sidewalks for Willow Creek.

SOUND COMMUNITIES, INC., (NORWALK HOUSING AUTHORITY), Norwalk, \$3,444,751

"45 Meadow"

CIF funds will support replacement of 54 units of obsolete affordable housing with 55 modern, energy efficient, affordable housing units and amenities.

THAMES VALLEY COUNCIL FOR COMMUNITY ACTION (TVCCA), Groton, \$2,000,000

"Groton Early Childhood Education Center"

CIF will fund predevelopment for a new building resulting in an expansion of childcare.

TOWN OF BLOOMFIELD, Bloomfield, \$4,000,000

“Rockwell Park Improvements”

CIF will fund improvements at Rockwell Park.

TOWN OF HAMDEN, Hamden, \$8,689,491

“Affordable Housing Development”

CIF funds will support 64 new affordable housing units, a Community Hub facility, and pedestrian and streetscape improvements around 2980 State Street.

TOWN OF MANCHESTER, Manchester, \$3,500,000

“Downtown for All – 21st Century Library”

With the aid of CIF funds, Manchester will build a modern, accessible, downtown library surrounded by Complete Streets enhancements to safety.

TOWN OF MANSFIELD, Mansfield, \$250,000

“Municipal Services Campus Master Plan”

CIF planning grant funds will support community engagement and the creation of a Master Plan for the town’s municipal facilities.

TOWN OF PLAINFIELD, Plainfield, \$250,000

“Recreation Facility Master Plan”

CIF will fund community engagement and a town-wide planning study for the Parks and Recreation Department.

UNIVERSITY OF NEW HAVEN, West Haven, \$250,000

“Expanding Dental & Health Services for West Haven”

CIF planning funds will assist in community engagement and identifying a site in West Haven for the university’s proposed dental and healthcare clinic.