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LIBERTY BANK FOUNDATION AWARDS \$76,996 IN GRANTS TO LOCAL NONPROFITS

MIDDLETOWN, CT — The Liberty Bank Foundation Board of Directors has awarded \$104,850 in grants to 23 nonprofit organizations serving Middlesex and New London Counties, New Britain, and Willimantic. The grants were approved at the board's second quarter meeting in June. Following is a list of the organizations that were awarded grants, grouped by region:

Hartford County - \$6,000

Rebuilding Together New Britain, New Britain - \$2,500

To support home repair and rehab services for low-income homeowners in New Britain

The Mayor's Work Plan to End Homelessness, New Britain - \$3,500

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Middlesex County - \$12,500

Green Street Arts Center, Middletown - \$5,000

To support the After-School Arts and Sciences Program

HOPE Partnership, Inc., Old Saybrook - \$5,000

To support the affordable housing Education and Advocacy Project

Literacy Volunteers of Central CT, Inc., Middletown - \$2,500

To support the Parenting for Academic Success Program

Greater New London - \$61,350

College Access Program, New London - \$3,500

To support intensive college access and success programming for low-income and first-generation college-bound students from New London County

Connecticut Association for Human Services, Hartford - \$7,500

To provide asset building and financial education programs to nonprofit community based organizations in southeastern Connecticut

Connecticut Invention Convention, Inc., Portland - \$3,000

To support STEM programming at Charles W. Barrows STEM Academy in Windham

Covenant Shelter of New London, New London - \$2,500

To purchase healthy food and beverages for shelter clients

Eastern Connecticut Housing Opportunities, New London - \$3,000

To support the downpayment assistance loan program for low-income, first-time homebuyers in New London County

F.R.E.S.H. New London, New London - \$3,000

To support the FRESH Mobile Market initiative in New London County

Hygienic Arts, Inc., New London - \$3,000
To support the Do the Write Thing Program

Lawrence & Memorial Hospital, New London - \$23,350
To support the Centennial Campaign to build a new cancer center in Waterford (3-year grant)

Office of Youth Affairs, New London - \$5,000
To support programs at the Early Childhood Center

Stonington Community Center, Stonington - \$2,500
To support the IMPACT Program

The New London Community Meal Center, Inc., New London - \$5,000
To purchase food to be served to low-income New London residents

Norwich/Willimantic - \$25,000

Covenant Soup Kitchen, Willimantic - \$5,000
To support the on-site meals program

Eastern CT Workforce Investment Board Inc., Franklin - \$5,000
To support the 2013 Summer Youth Employment Program

GROW Windham, Willimantic - \$2,500
To support the Windham Youth CORE Program

Natchaug Hospital, Inc., Mansfield Center - \$3,000
To support the new Joshua Center Thames Valley

Norwich Safety Net Team, Norwich - \$5,000
To support the Back Pack it to School Program, the Golden Wishes Program, the Hygiene Closet, the Job Related Incidentals Program, the Children's Fund, and the Pharmacy Fund

Norwich Youth and Family Services, Norwich - \$2,000
To support the Summer Jam and Learn Diversion Collaborative

Sacred Heart Educational Center, Baltic - \$2,500
To support the tutoring program

Since its inception in 1997, the Liberty Bank Foundation has awarded over \$7.6 million in grants to nonprofit organizations within Liberty Bank's market area. The foundation seeks to improve the quality of life for people of low or moderate income by investing in the areas of preventive programming for children and families, affordable housing, and nonprofit capacity building. Along with its grantmaking, the foundation strives to foster the convening and collaboration of nonprofits, funders, business, and government to address community issues.

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