

Friday, March 6, 2026

DECD Responses to March 2 Appropriations Committee Budget Work Session Questions

Provide an update on applications for legislative grants. Which applications are yet to be received? What funding has been provided YTD to grantees?

Fiscal Year (FY) 26 GENERAL FUND VARIOUS GRANTS PROCESSED BEFORE 2/1/26		
GRANTEE	GRANT AMOUNT	PAYMENT STATUS
100 Girls Leading	\$50,000.00	PAID
ActUp Theater	\$25,000.00	PAID
America 250 Commission	\$100,000.00	PAID
Bethlehem House – Catholic Charities of Fairfield County	\$100,000.00	PAID
Boys Club & Girls Club of Bridgeport	\$150,000.00	Third Quarter Paid
Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater New Haven	\$100,000.00	PAID
Boys and Girls Club of Stamford	\$100,000.00	PAID
Brass City Harvest Regional Food Hub	\$150,000.00	Third Quarter Paid
Building One Community	\$150,000.00	Third Quarter Paid
Center for Family Justice	\$50,000.00	PAID
Children's Museum DBA Roaring Brook Nature Center	\$100,000.00	PAID
Connecticut Invention Convention	\$50,000.00	PAID

FY 26 GENERAL FUND VARIOUS GRANTS PROCESSED BEFORE 2/1/26		
GRANTEE	GRANT AMOUNT	PAYMENT STATUS
Color a Positive Thought	\$75,000.00	PAID
Color a Positive Thought – Trumbull Gardens	\$90,000.00	PAID
Colors of the World	\$40,000.00	PAID
Community Resources for Justice Rise Program, New Haven	\$528,000.00	Third Quarter Paid
Compass Youth Collaborative	\$700,000.00	Third Quarter Paid
Connecticut Humanities Council	\$100,000.00	PAID
Forge City Works	\$365,000.00	Third Quarter Paid
Friends of Nathaniel Witherell, Inc.	\$20,000.00	PAID
Hartford Police Activities League – Musical Instruments and Instruction	\$85,000.00	PAID
Hispanic Coalition of Greater Waterbury, Inc. – Waterbury Little League	\$40,000.00	PAID
Human Resources Agency of New Britain – Paving at Food Pantry	\$100,000.00	PAID
Iwo Jima Memorial Historical Foundation	\$2,500.00	PAID
Jerome Orcutt Boys and Girls Club, Bridgeport	\$150,000.00	Third Quarter Paid
Junior Achievement of Greater Fairfield County	\$287,500.00	Third Quarter Paid

FY 26 GENERAL FUND VARIOUS GRANTS PROCESSED BEFORE 2/1/26		
GRANTEE	GRANT AMOUNT	PAYMENT STATUS
Junta for Progressive Action	\$250,000.00	Third Quarter Paid
Latinas & Power, Corp.	\$125,000.00	Third Quarter Paid
Life Health And Wellness Center DBA Abundance Joy Learning Center	\$10,000.00	PAID
New England Supreme Athletics	\$25,000.00	PAID
Patrons of the Trumbull Nature & Arts Center, Inc.	\$50,000.00	PAID
Police Activities League (PAL) of Hartford, Inc.	\$500,000.00	Third Quarter Paid
RF Youth Boxing, Inc.	\$160,000.00	Third Quarter Paid
Saint Joseph Parenting Center	\$200,000.00	Third Quarter Paid
Saint Margaret Willow Plaza Neighborhood	\$60,000.00	PAID
Silversource, Inc.	\$150,000.00	Third Quarter Paid
Southington Community Cultural Arts	\$10,000.00	PAID
Special Olympics Connecticut	\$150,000.00	Third Quarter Paid
St. Vincent de Paul Middletown, Inc. – Amazing Grace Food Pantry	\$25,000.00	PAID
Stamford Museum & Nature Center	\$500,000.00	Third Quarter Paid

FY 26 GENERAL FUND VARIOUS GRANTS PROCESSED BEFORE 2/1/26		
GRANTEE	GRANT AMOUNT	PAYMENT STATUS
Stay At Home Wilton, Inc.	\$60,000.00	PAID
Stepping Into Prosperity, Inc.	\$75,000.00	PAID
TEAM, Inc.	\$100,000.00	PAID
Wethersfield Historical Society	\$10,000.00	PAID
YMCA for Metropolitan Hartford – Wilson-Gray YMCA	\$500,000.00	Third Quarter Paid
Middlesex YMCA	\$50,000.00	PAID
Youth Business Initiative	\$20,000.00	PAID
Newington Town Treasurer – Fire Department	\$30,000.00	PAID
Newington Town Treasurer – Pool Planning Projects	\$15,000.00	PAID
Town of Cheshire – Pool Upgrades	\$150,000.00	Third Quarter Paid
Town of East Hartford – Historical Preservation Projects	\$200,000.00	Third Quarter Paid
Town of Farmington – Part Time Seasonal Help	\$20,000.00	PAID
Town of Manchester – Park Improvements	\$300,000.00	Third Quarter Paid
Town of West Hartford – Mobility Hub	\$300,000.00	Third Quarter Paid

FY 26 GENERAL FUND VARIOUS GRANTS PROCESSED BEFORE 2/1/26		
GRANTEE	GRANT AMOUNT	PAYMENT STATUS
Town of Windsor – Windsor Community Center	\$15,000.00	PAID
TOTAL OF 55		
FY 26 GENERAL FUND VARIOUS GRANTS PROCESSED AFTER 2/1/26		
GRANTEE	GRANT AMOUNT	TO BE PAID
Bridgeport Economic Development Corporation (BEDCO) – Bridgeport Jazz Festival	\$50,000.00	Reportable
Bridgeport Economic Development Corporation (BEDCO) – Downtown Thursdays	\$300,000.00	Reimbursable
East End Baptist Tabernacle Church	\$250,000.00	Reimbursable
Enfield Food Shelf, Inc.	\$5,000.00	Reportable
Historic Rowayton, Inc.	\$50,000.00	Reportable
Juneteenth of Fairfield County	\$130,000.00	Reimbursable
Milford American Legion – East Shore Post 196 Am Legion	\$65,000.00	Reportable
New Hope Missionary Baptist Church of Bridgeport	\$250,000.00	Reimbursable
RichDae Entrepreneur Foundation, Inc.	\$175,000.00	Reimbursable

FY 26 GENERAL FUND VARIOUS GRANTS PROCESSED AFTER 2/1/26		
GRANTEE	GRANT AMOUNT	TO BE PAID
Stratford Old Timers Athletic Association	\$75,000.00	Reportable
City of Hartford – E.B. Kennelly School Musical Instruments and Instruction	\$90,000.00	Reportable
City of Hartford – Naylor CCSU Leadership Academy	\$90,000.00	Reportable
City of Milford – Founders Walk	\$600,000.00	Reimbursable
Town of Glastonbury Parks and Recreation Department	\$500,000.00	Reimbursable
Wethersfield Town Treasurer – Social, Youth, & Senior Services	\$200,000.00	Reimbursable
TOTAL OF 15		
GRAND TOTAL OF 70 FY 26 PROCESSED GRANTS		
GRANTEES IN CONTRACT STAGE	GRANT AMOUNT	STATUS
American Legion Post 17	\$200,000.00	Contracting
Community Action Agency of Western Connecticut – Working Cities, Danbury	\$200,000.00	Contracting
Cornerstone Community Foundation	\$50,000.00	Contracting
Hispanic Coalition of Greater Waterbury, Inc. – Working Cities, Waterbury	\$200,000.00	Contracting

GRANTEES IN CONTRACT STAGE	GRANT AMOUNT	STATUS
SAND Elementary School, Hartford – Musical Instruments and Instruction	\$90,000.00	Contracting
City of Hartford – Parker Memorial Community Center	\$100,000.00	Contracting
Town of Avon – Avon Senior Center	\$100,000.00	Contracting
TOTAL OF 7		
GRANTEES IN APPLICATION STAGE	GRANT AMOUNT	STATUS
A Little Compassion, Inc.	\$10,000.00	Application Under Review
Angel of Edgewood	\$100,000.00	Application Under Review
Annex Little League	\$25,000.00	Application Under Review
Bolton Parks & Recreation	\$250,000.00	Application Under Review
Bridgeport Pride	\$50,000.00	Application Under Review
Bridgeport Pop Warner Raiders Football and Cheerleading	\$25,000.00	Application Under Review
Buddy Jordan Foundation	\$50,000.00	Application Under Review
Burns Latino Studies Academy, Hartford – Musical Instruments and Instruction	\$90,000.00	Application Under Review
Clay Arsenal Community Development Corporation	\$525,000.00	Application Under Review

GRANTEES IN APPLICATION STAGE	GRANT AMOUNT	STATUS
Consortium of 3 Faith Based Organizations, providing counseling services, violence prevention, mentoring, educational training	\$1,000,000.00	Application Under Review
Friends Center Day Care	\$75,000.00	Application Under Review
Friends of Cos Cob Library	\$5,000.00	Application Under Review
From Quicksand Unto Solid Ground	\$25,000.00	Application Under Review
Hartford Communities that Care – Musical Instruments and Instruction	\$90,000.00	Application Under Review
Homes for Hope	\$25,000.00	Application Under Review
Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers of Greater New Haven	\$10,000.00	Application Under Review
Manchester Parks & Recreation	\$1,000,000.00	Application Under Review
Middletown Board of Education	\$150,000.00	Application Under Review
New London VFW	\$50,000.00	Application Under Review
Old Wethersfield Connecticut Shop Keepers	\$100,000.00	Application Under Review
Parkville Senior Center	\$200,000.00	Application Under Review
Sisters at the Shore	\$50,000.00	Application Under Review
Sons of Thunder	\$30,000.00	Application Under Review
South End Community Center	\$205,000.00	Application Under Review

STEAM Train	\$30,000.00	Application Under Review
Stratford Veterans Museum	\$50,000.00	Application Under Review
University of Bridgeport	\$700,000.00	Application Under Review
Upper Albany Neighborhood Collaborative	\$550,000.00	Application Under Review
Wethersfield Early Childhood Collaborative – Recruitment Ambassadors	\$250,000.00	Application Under Review
Working Cities Challenge Grants	\$1,150,000.00	Applications Under Review
YMCA of Meriden, New Britain, Berlin	\$100,000.00	Application Under Review
TOTAL OF 31		
GRANTEES THAT HAVE NOT SUBMITTED APPLICATIONS	GRANT AMOUNT	STATUS
Andover Parks & Recreation	\$250,000.00	Application Not Submitted
Bridgeport Fitness Academy	\$100,000.00	Application Not Submitted
Fathers Helping Fathers	\$50,000.00	Application Not Submitted
High Poverty Community Leadership Development	\$500,000.00	Application Not Submitted
Kamora's Cultural Corner, Hartford	\$10,000.00	Application Not Submitted
Mary's Place	\$25,000.00	Application Not Submitted

GRANTEES THAT HAVE NOT SUBMITTED APPLICATIONS	GRANT AMOUNT	STATUS
MLK Monument – Two Park Benches	\$3,000.00	Application Not Submitted
Naugatuck American Legion	\$200,000.00	Application Not Submitted
Newington Animal Shelter Project Planning	\$20,000.00	Application Not Submitted
Newington Lucy Robbins Welles Library Renovation Planning	\$20,000.00	Application Not Submitted
One Love	\$150,000.00	Application Not Submitted
Plainville PARC	\$50,000.00	Application Not Submitted
Raymond Boathouse, Norwalk	\$50,000.00	Application Not Submitted
Ridgefield Meeting House	\$25,000.00	Application Not Submitted
Rocky Hill VFW	\$10,000.00	Application Not Submitted
Southend Senior Center, Hartford	\$200,000.00	Application Not Submitted
Upper Albany - City of Hartford	\$1,000,000.00	Application Not Submitted
TOTAL OF 16		

* OWS and SEC are submitting their responses separately.