



John J Nerden RTC Camp
89 Powder Hill Road, Middlefield, CT, Phone (860) 349-9826
P.O. Box 2617, Meriden, CT 06450

December 1, 2025

Town of Wallingford
Office of the Mayor
45 South Main Street
Wallingford, CT 06492

Dear Mayor Cervoni:

Our annual support funding request for 2025 is detailed below. This request follows a successful year of summer and winter recreational programs for children and adults with special needs in your town. The figures are based on the number of service days provided to residents from your town in relation to our total expenditures . This year 13 individuals from your town participated for a total of 296 days, compared to last year when 11 individuals participated for a total of 244 days. This includes our full seven-week summer program, as well as evening and weekend activities throughout the year.

In preparing our request, we have made every effort to be mindful of the challenges faced by City and Town budgets in our current economy. As a nonprofit organization, we continually encounter rising costs and work to stay within our budget by being cautious and efficient in our management, utilizing volunteers, applying for grants, and maintaining strong relationships with service clubs, civic organizations, and community members we serve. In recent years, our insurance expenses have risen for reasons outside our control, which has led to higher costs per camper per day. Since we are a nonprofit and offer our program at no charge to the families, we cannot pass this cost onto the parents as other camps do. Moving forward, without continued funding support from the towns we serve, camp will face bankruptcy.

We ask that you seriously consider honoring our request or part of it for funding. Most of the communities we serve have found that supporting our program is more cost-effective than providing the same summer programming for those with special needs in their town. Your support is essential for the continuation of our program, giving those with special needs the same opportunities as their non-disabled peers. Please visit our website campnerden.com to learn more about the history of camp and the services we provide. I would be happy to provide any additional information you might need.

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>TOTAL CAMPER</u>	<u>TOTAL CAMPER</u>	<u>REQUEST</u>
2025	13	296	\$23,663

Sincerely,

Laurie J. Russell

Laurie J. Russell, President
Board of Directors
203-631-0015

Cc: Joseph A. Marrone II



John J. Nerden R.T.C. Camp, Inc.

Powder Hill Road, Middlefield, Ct

Phone: 349-9826

P.O. Box 2617

Meriden, Ct 06450

November 20, 2025

Joseph A. Marrone, III, Chairman
Office of the Wallingford Town Council
45 South Main Street, Room 220
Wallingford, CT 06492

Dear Mr. Marrone,

I am writing this letter to provide you with the information requested by Mayor Cervoni in correspondence dated July 14, 2025 so that you may consider and approve the John J. Nerden R.T.C. Camp's annual request for funding for the calendar year 2025.

Wallingford has been a strong supporter of our camp since its inception and we are grateful for this support. Since 1966 our camp has provided summer daytime recreational opportunities to children and adults with intellectual and physical disabilities. Many of our campers who come from Wallingford choose the John J. Nerden Camp because they are unable to attend and meaningfully access the town programs offered at no cost to families. This is due to their special needs which require heightened supervision, special medical care, and specialized programming and equipment. The Town of Wallingford has recognized the value in supporting this special population at the John J. Nerden R.T.C. Camp.

We calculate our request for funding based on a cost per camper day, relating the number of days that services were provided to individuals from your town to our total costs. Thus this request reflects our cost for last summer. The funding from your town will be used to support the upcoming 2026 summer camp program which includes 7 weeks of swimming, crafts, music, and outdoor and indoor recreational activities. Without this funding it will be difficult to continue this valuable program serving children and adults with intellectual disabilities from your town. Once again, our cost for insurance and transportation has increased significantly for the upcoming summer camp season. This presents us with quite a challenge, thus making your support evermore crucial in allowing us to provide our program at no cost to the families of our campers.

Attached is our annual budget and most recent bank statement. We extend an open invitation for you and other city officials to visit Camp anytime during our 7 week summer program to see firsthand how funding from your town is utilized.

Sincerely,

Laurie J. Russell, President
Board of Directors
203-631-0015

Cc: Mayor Vincent Cervoni

Budget

	Proposed
Payroll Expenses	\$ 96,500.00
Insurance	30,000.00
Transportation	25,000.00
Maintenance & Repairs	14,675.00
Utilities	5,500.00
Food	2,200.00
Volunteer Party	2,700.00
Carnival Day	1,000.00
Pool Maintenance	1,800.00
Waste Removal	1,400.00
Background Checks	1,500.00
Paper Goods	1,900.00
Office Supplies	200.00
Fire Extinguishers	1,200.00
Nurses Supplies	300.00
Special Days	500.00
Staff Lunch	600.00
License Fee	365.00
Activities Expenditures	800.00
Cleaning Supplies	250.00
Propane	250.00
Cooks	140.00
Beverages	100.00
Water Test	130.00
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	\$ 189,010.00

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November 30, 2025 ■ Page 1 of 4



THE JOHN J. NERDEN RTC CAMP, INC.
C/O LYNN WALSH
720 KENSINGTON RD
KENSINGTON CT 06037-2714

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Statement period activity summary

Beginning balance on 11/1	\$32,177.26
Deposits/Credits	12,938.83
Withdrawals/Debits	- 4,515.07
Ending balance on 11/30	\$40,601.02

Account number: [REDACTED] (primary account)

THE JOHN J. NERDEN RTC CAMP, INC.

Connecticut account terms and conditions apply

For Direct Deposit use

For Wire Transfers use

Routing Number (RTN): [REDACTED]

Overdraft Protection

This account is not currently covered by Overdraft Protection. If you would like more information regarding Overdraft Protection and eligibility requirements please call the number listed on your statement or visit your Wells Fargo branch.

Transaction history

Date	Check Number	Description	Deposits/ Credits	Withdrawals/ Debits	Ending daily balance
11/3	<	Business to Business ACH Debit - Connecticut Dol CT Ui Tax 103125 000009120066000 Regional Training Cent		560.19	
11/3	3670	Check		229.62	31,387.45
11/4		Snap Solutions L ACH Pmt 251104 11194129135 Events.Org Remittance	429.06		
11/4	<	Business to Business ACH Debit - Intuit 8004Intuit 251103 0090740 John J Nerden Rtc Camp		14.14	31,802.37
11/7	3674	Check		105.00	31,697.37
11/12		Snap Solutions L ACH Pmt 251112 11195014861 Events.Org Remittance	194.57		
11/12		Deposit Made In A Branch/Store	240.78		
11/12		Eversource Web_Pay Nov 25 12513064111025 John J Nerden Rtc Camp		33.16	
11/12		Eversource Web_Pay Nov 25 12513102111025 John J Nerden Rtc Camp		143.70	
11/12	3680	Check		63.78	31,892.08
11/14	3677	Check		326.68	31,565.40
11/17		Deposit Made In A Branch/Store	750.00		
11/17		Purchase authorized on 11/13 Wallingford Bowl 203-295-0670 CT S385317579858249 Card 9624		573.28	
11/17	3679	Deposited OR Cashed Check		120.00	
11/17	3671	Check		314.44	
11/17	3678	Check		83.64	31,224.04
11/18		Snap Solutions L ACH Pmt 251118 11195947861 Events.Org Remittance	499.35		31,723.39
11/19		Deposit Made In A Branch/Store	526.00		32,249.39
11/24		Deposit Made In A Branch/Store	10,000.00		
11/24	3675	Check		229.63	42,019.76
11/25		Snap Solutions L ACH Pmt 251125 11196815417 Events.Org Remittance	99.07		
11/25	<	Business to Business ACH Debit - Uspremiumfinance Drafts 251124 27866737 John J Nerden Rtc Camp		1,391.14	40,727.69
11/28		Amer Online Giv1 EDI Paymnt Nov 21 1Q8Slpq04Y Ref*TN*1Q8Slpq04Y*Donation From Aogfcauses.Benevl	200.00		
11/28	3684	Check		326.67	40,601.02
Totals			\$12,938.83	\$4,515.07	

The Ending Daily Balance does not reflect any pending withdrawals or holds on deposited funds that may have been outstanding on your account when your transactions posted. If you had insufficient available funds when a transaction posted, fees may have been assessed.

< **Business to Business ACH:** If this is a business account, this transaction has a return time frame of one business day from post date. This time frame does not apply to consumer accounts.



Summary of checks written(checks listed are also displayed in the preceding Transaction history)

Number	Date	Amount	Number	Date	Amount	Number	Date	Amount
3670	11/3	229.62	3675	11/24	229.63	3679	11/17	120.00
3671	11/17	314.44	3677 *	11/14	326.68	3680	11/12	63.78
3674 *	11/7	105.00	3678	11/17	83.64	3684 **	11/28	326.67

* Gap in check sequence.

Monthly service fee summary

For a complete list of fees and detailed account information, see the disclosures applicable to your account or talk to a banker. Go to wellsfargo.com/feefaq for a link to these documents, and answers to common monthly service fee questions.

Fee period 11/01/2025 - 11/30/2025	Standard monthly service fee \$10.00	You paid \$0.00
How to avoid the monthly service fee	Minimum required	This fee period
Have any ONE of the following each fee period		
• Average ledger balance	\$1,000.00	\$33,944.00 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
• Minimum daily balance	\$500.00	\$31,224.04 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

The Monthly service fee summary fee period ending date shown above includes a Saturday, Sunday, or holiday which are non-business days. Transactions occurring after the last business day of the month will be included in your next fee period.

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Account transaction fees summary

Service charge description	Units used	Units included	Excess units	Service charge per excess units (\$)	Total service charge (\$)
Cash Deposited (\$)	500	5,000	0	0.0030	0.00
Transactions	20	100	0	0.50	0.00
Total service charges					\$0.00

 **IMPORTANT ACCOUNT INFORMATION**

NEW YORK CITY CUSTOMERS ONLY -- Pursuant to New York City regulations, we request that you contact us at 1-800-TO WELLS (1-800-869-3557) to share your language preference.



February 2, 2026

Master's Manna
428 South Cherry Street
Wallingford, CT 06492

Office of the Mayor
Town of Wallingford
45 South Main Street
Wallingford, CT 06492

Dear Mayor Cervoni,

On behalf of Master's Manna, thank you for your ongoing generosity as we continue to serve the needs of the community. The \$35,000 received from the Town of Wallingford will be used for general operating expenses (utilities, rent, food, salaries, etc.). Our current operating budget for 2026 is \$310,000.

In 2025, we had 26,355 shopping visits which is a 27.9% increase over 2024. We continue to provide home delivery of groceries to approximately 35 homebound Wallingford residents. In addition, our dining room is open for 5 meals/week and we provide free clothing during our clothing distributions.

We appreciated the continuous support as we ensure that no one goes hungry.

With gratitude,

Nancy Stockman
Executive Director

*Thank you for your kindness
and generosity*

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Compassionate Restoration

Compassionate Restoration
26 Parker Farms Road
Wallingford, CT 06492

February 9, 2026

Mayor's Office
Wallingford Town Hall
45 South Main Street
Wallingford, CT 06492

Dear Mayor Cervoni:

We are writing to provide supplemental information for our funding request. We are humbly requesting \$15,000 of town funding for GLOW Food Ministry, a weekly food pantry. We would use the funding to provide supplemental food distributions to Wallingford residents. In years prior, we have received feedback that these services were very helpful and would like to provide similar opportunities this upcoming year. Should we not receive the funds we will not be able to provide such services to Wallingford residents this upcoming fiscal year. Many residents rely on these services and would be put at a disadvantage.

Based on our finances the past two years, we have created the following projections of our revenue and expenses for this year.

Revenue

Grants/Government funding: \$35,200

Individual donations: \$5,400

Corporate donations: \$800

Fund raising: \$1,200

Expenses

Items for giveaway: \$32,600

Vehicle use: \$3,780

Vehicle Insurance: \$1,200

Vehicle Repairs: \$2,000

Supplies: \$1,700

Miscellaneous: \$700

If you need any more information, we can be reached at glow@compassionaterestoration.com or 203 208 8534. Thank you for your time and attention.

Respectfully,

Melody Keena

Melody Keena
President

Rajan Doering

Rajan Doering
Administrative Director

CORE

Compassionate Restoration

Compassionate Restoration
26 Parker Farms Road
Wallingford, CT 06492

January 27, 2026

Mayor's Office
Wallingford Town Hall
45 South Main Street
Wallingford, CT 06492

Dear Mayor Cervoni:

We are writing to request \$15,000 of town funding for GLOW Food Ministry, a weekly food pantry. GLOW has been in operation since 2018 and currently serves between 150-200 families per week. In the past few months, GLOW has transitioned from operating under Wallingford Church of the Nazarene to operation under a new non-profit organization, Compassionate Restoration (CORE). CORE operates independently of Wallingford Church of Nazarene.

CORE is a non-profit organization dedicated to supporting low-income families in the community. CORE's mission statement is "Meeting the CORE human needs through restoration of mind, body, and soul." CORE encompasses three organizations, including GLOW, SERV, and WHOLE. All three organizations operate independently under one parent organization. GLOW will continue to operate as a food ministry and offer the same services as prior, focusing on providing community members with essential needs, including food, hygiene, and diaper products.

We received \$15,000 from the town last year, and we used it to hold several supplemental food distributions exclusively for Wallingford residents. We received feedback that these services were very helpful and would like to provide similar opportunities this upcoming year.

We would use the money to purchase giveaway items that are not frequently donated to us, such as dairy, meat, and hygiene items. We would only use the money to serve Wallingford residents, even though our main distribution is open to everyone. Last year we did so by having monthly supplemental distributions. Seeing that many of our clients expressed deep appreciation for the supplemental distributions, we would like to restart them.

Many of our clients are below the federal poverty level, and most of the ones above it are only slightly above it. Many of our clients are also clients of Master's Manna. Master's Manna and GLOW frequently refer clients to each other, and many of our clients appreciate the opportunity to receive food from both of us considering we are open different days, we have different types of food items, and neither one of us can sustain a family with great need for an entire week alone.

Based on our finances for the past two years, we have created the following projections of our revenue and expenses for this year for GLOW, SERV, and WHOLE.

GLOW-

Revenue

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Corporate donations: \$800

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Expenses

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Miscellaneous: \$700

SERV-

Revenue

Grants/Government funding: \$1,000

Corporate: \$1,000

Expenses

Supplies: \$2,000

WHOLE-

Revenue

Fundraising: \$500

Expenses

Supplies: \$500

When we applied as the church, we submitted bank statements. If you need CORE bank statements, please let us know. We would be happy to meet with you further to discuss this request and answer any questions you might have. We can be reached at glow@compassionaterestoration.com or 203 208 8534. Thank you for your time and attention.

Respectfully,

Melody Keena

Melody Keena

President

Rajan Doering

Rajan Doering

Administrative Director



Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service
Tax Exempt and Government Entities
P.O. Box 2508
Cincinnati, OH 45201

COMPASSIONATE RESTORATION INC
361 S ORCHARD ST
WALLINGFORD, CT 06492

Date:
12/18/2025
Employer ID number:
39-3963625
Person to contact:
Name: M. Meyer
ID number: 0194918
Telephone: 877-829-5500
Accounting period ending:
December 31
Public charity status:
170(b)(1)(A)(vi)
Form 990 / 990-EZ / 990-N required:
Yes
Effective date of exemption:
August 15, 2025
Contribution deductibility:
Yes
Addendum applies:
No
DLN:
26053723006945

Dear Applicant:

We're pleased to tell you we determined you're exempt from federal income tax under Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 501(c)(3). Donors can deduct contributions they make to you under IRC Section 170. You're also qualified to receive tax deductible bequests, devises, transfers or gifts under Section 2055, 2106, or 2522. This letter could help resolve questions on your exempt status. Please keep it for your records.

Organizations exempt under IRC Section 501(c)(3) are further classified as either public charities or private foundations. We determined you're a public charity under the IRC Section listed at the top of this letter.

If we indicated at the top of this letter that you're required to file Form 990/990-EZ/990-N, our records show you're required to file an annual information return (Form 990 or Form 990-EZ) or electronic notice (Form 990-N, the e-Postcard). If you don't file a required return or notice for three consecutive years, your exempt status will be automatically revoked.

If we indicated at the top of this letter that an addendum applies, the enclosed addendum is an integral part of this letter.

For important information about your responsibilities as a tax-exempt organization, go to www.irs.gov/charities. Enter "4221-PC" in the search bar to view Publication 4221-PC, Compliance Guide for 501(c)(3) Public Charities, which describes your recordkeeping, reporting, and disclosure requirements.

Sincerely,

Stephen A. Martin
Director, Exempt Organizations
Rulings and Agreements

IRS DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE
PHILADELPHIA PA 19255-0023

Date of this notice: 09-02-2025

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Employer Identification Number:
39-3963625

Form: SS-4

Number of this notice: CP 575 E

COMPASSIONATE RESTORATION INC
% IRIS MORENO
361 S ORCHARD ST
WALLINGFORD CT 06492

For assistance you may call us at:
1-800-829-4933

IF YOU WRITE, ATTACH THE
STUB OF THIS NOTICE.

WE ASSIGNED YOU AN EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER

Thank you for applying for an Employer Identification Number (EIN). We assigned you EIN 39-3963625. This EIN will identify your entity, accounts, tax returns, and documents, even if you have no employees. Please keep this notice in your permanent records.

Taxpayers request an EIN for their business. Some taxpayers receive CP575 notices when another person has stolen their identity and are opening a business using their information. If you did not apply for this EIN, please visit, www.irs.gov/einnotrequested.

When filing tax documents, making payments, or replying to any related correspondence, it is very important that you use your EIN and complete name and address exactly as shown above. Any variation may cause a delay in processing, result in incorrect information in your account, or even cause you to be assigned more than one EIN. If the information is not correct as shown above, please make the correction using the attached tear-off stub and return it to us.

When you submitted your application for an EIN, you checked the box indicating you are a non-profit organization. Assigning an EIN does not grant tax-exempt status to non-profit organizations. Publication 557, Tax-Exempt Status for Your Organization, has details on the application process, as well as information on returns you may need to file. To apply for recognition of tax-exempt status, organizations must complete an application on one of the following forms: Form 1023, Application for Recognition of Exemption Under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code; Form 1023-EZ, Streamlined Application for Recognition of Exemption Under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code; Form 1024, Application for Recognition Under Section 501(a); or Form 1024-A, Application for Recognition of Exemption Under 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Nearly all organizations claiming tax-exempt status must file a Form 990-series annual information return (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF) or notice (Form 990-N) beginning with the year they legally form, even if they have not yet applied for or received recognition of tax-exempt status.

Unless a filing exception applies to you (search www.irs.gov for Annual Exempt Organization Return: Who Must File). We start calculating this three-year period from the tax year we assigned the EIN to you. If that first tax year isn't a full twelve months, you're still responsible for submitting a return for that year. If you didn't legally form in the same tax year which you obtained your EIN, contact us at the phone number or address listed at the top of this letter.

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February 20, 2026

To: The Honorable Mayor Vincent Cervoni,

Subject: 2026/2027 Contract with the Town of Wallingford

Honorable Mayor Cervoni,

On behalf of the Center Street Cemetery Association (CSCA), I am respectfully requesting approval of \$103,530 (2% increase) to maintain and operate the Center Street Cemetery for the 2026/2027 fiscal year. Inflation continues to rise and the 2% increase is below current inflation rates.

The association takes pride in maintaining the grounds and maintaining and repairing the interior of both building. CSCA continues to further security efforts which has been successful in keeping loitering and vandalism to a minimum. This year, and in past years, CSCA has experienced increased costs in insurance, utilities, and supplies.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

As always, The Cemetery Association, the Executive Board, the Board of Directors, and the entire membership are extremely proud of the Association a

Respectfully,



Robert Gross

President

Center Street Cemetery Association

Statement of Revenue & Expenses

	FY 23/24	FY 24/25
REVENUE		
Town of Wallingford Annual Contract	97,500	\$99,450
Program Income	\$10,060	\$13,849
Total Operating	\$107,560	\$113,299
EXPENSES		
Compensation/Payroll Taxes/Benefits	\$54,925	\$57,134
Utilities	\$6,404	\$7,605
Insurance	\$10,527	\$9,537
Office Supplies & Equip	\$1,475	\$2,271
Depreciation	\$2,563	\$2,349
Maint and Repairs/ Equip, Building, Grounds	\$21,896	\$21,999
Outside Services Cemetery Work	\$15,146	\$10,767
Legal/Accounting/Professional fees	\$2,427	\$2,475
Miscellaneous	\$530	\$606
Total expenses	\$115,893	\$114,743
Net operating income	(\$8,333)	(\$1,444)
OTHER INCOME		
Donations	\$100	\$290
Other Income/ Interest & Restricted	\$4,549	\$5,512
Total other income	\$4,649	\$5,802
Net income (loss)	(\$3,684)	\$4,358



February 25, 2026

Mayor Vincent Cervoni
45 South Main Street
Wallingford, CT 06492

Dear Mayor Cervoni,

I am writing to request \$5,000 to assist in funding MidState Arc, Inc. for the fiscal year 2026 – 2027. This funding will be utilized to support the operation and maintenance of our Wallingford Group Homes located at the following addresses:

22 Laurelwood Drive, Wallingford, CT 06492
4 Hall Acres Road, Wallingford, CT 06492

MidState Arc is a registered 501(c)3 nonprofit organization that has been serving our community since 1953. MidState Arc, in active partnership with families, is dedicated to promoting and advocating for people of all ages living with intellectual and developmental disabilities, helping them reach their full potential and become valued, respected, and connected members of their community through all means including Assistive Technologies.

Our two group homes in Wallingford serve a combined eleven (11) individuals with varying degrees of medical, behavioral, and intellectual challenges. We can't do all that we do without your generous support. MidState Arc would like to thank the City of Wallingford for the opportunity in this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Maritza Dell".

Maritza Dell
Chief Operating Officer
mdell@midstatearc.org



Meriden Office (Main)
1630 North Colony Road
Meriden, CT 06450-0941
P: 203-235-2583
F: 203-235-0827

Middletown Office
169 Main Street
Middletown, CT 06457
P: 860-347-8923
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January 20, 2026

Mayor Vincent Cervoni
Town of Wallingford
45 South Main Street
Wallingford, CT 06492

Re: Request to Support Wallingford Citizens Transportation

Dear Mayor Cervoni,

Kuhn appreciates the financial assistance the Town of Wallingford has provided on behalf of Wallingford's citizens with disabilities who attend Kuhn. The Town of Wallingford's gift helps alleviate the barrier of transportation so that residents with disabilities can participate in employment opportunities.

The average cost of transportation per person is estimated at \$5,300 annually. The State funds approximately 70% of the annual cost.

This year we have 6 Wallingford residents that will participate in transportation services under this arrangement. We are requesting consideration that \$900 per person be budgeted, for a total of \$5,400. This will help to cover close to 16% of the expected transport cost. These requested funds are for operating costs to provide the required door-to-door transportation services that individuals with disabilities require to maintain successful employment.

Please do not hesitate to contact Sabrina Hoisington, Executive Assistant at Extension 111, for any additional information. I thank you for your attention and consideration to this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Beth Fisher', is written over a horizontal line.

Beth Fisher,
Chief Executive Officer

Cc: Sabrina Hoisington, Executive Assistant

Accounting

Board of Directors

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CEO: Beth Fisher





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SPANISH COMMUNITY OF WALLINGFORD

February 20, 2026

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Hon. Vincent Cervoni
Mayor
Town of Wallingford
45 South Main Street
Wallingford CT, 06492

Dear Mayor Cervoni,

I hope this letter finds you well. I am writing on behalf of Comunidad Hispana de Wallingford, Inc., also known as the Spanish Community of Wallingford (SCOW), that has been a nonprofit organization in Wallingford for 54 years dedicated to empowering and supporting the community through guidance, education, and cultural sharing. Our programs focus on three key areas: health and wellness, workforce development, and education, with a significant emphasis on responding to community needs through our Emergency Basic Needs Program. I am writing to request your support of \$50,000 to be considered for SCOW in the town budget for FY2026-2027 to continue SCOW's mission of responding to the needs of the community.

At SCOW, we are deeply committed to ensuring that our services offer opportunities for individuals to successfully integrate into the community and thrive. Approximately 70% of our constituents are Hispanic/Latino, while 30% are non-Hispanic. Every year, we provide over 30,000 services to community members and collaborate with various local agencies and town departments. Additionally, we host workshops, educational events, and cultural activities to foster learning and connection within our diverse community and neighbors.

As we continue to provide vital services to our community, the Town's contribution of \$50,000 will play an essential role in ensuring the success and sustainability of these programs. This support will allow us to continue offering crucial guidance, education, and direct services that meaningfully impact Wallingford individuals and families in need.

Our programming includes, but is not limited to, monthly and quarterly health and wellness initiatives such as health clinics, services, and educational workshops, weekly digital literacy and workforce development programs, and our emergency basic needs program.

Through our emergency basic needs program, we help clients connect with local and state resources while providing interpretation and translation services, transportation assistance, and application support. We also assist with housing navigation, employment services, school and training registration, connecting to healthcare providers, and accessing additional wraparound services to promote long-term stability.

If these funds are not awarded, we will be placed in the difficult position of having to evaluate and potentially reduce certain programs and services, as well as essential staff positions that are critical to serving the Hispanic/Latino community and the community at large.

"Our mission is to respond to the needs of the Latino Community by assisting them to succeed in U.S. society, and to enable Latinos to maintain and share their rich varied cultures with the broader community."

The need for our programs and services continues to grow, while fundraising, grants, and private donations have become increasingly challenging to secure. We are continually seeking innovative and sustainable ways to obtain funding each fiscal year to ensure we can meet the rising needs of our community.

In addition to our annual wine tasting fundraising efforts, we remain proactive in securing grant funding and have successfully obtained support from The Community Foundation for Greater New Haven, United Way of Meriden and Wallingford, The Wallingford Rotary, Ulbrich Stainless Steel and Special Metals, Inc. and Hartford HealthCare. We are also in the process of working with our State Representatives to advocate for the consideration of funding in the state budget for the upcoming fiscal year.

We would be happy to discuss this request further or provide additional information. Please do not hesitate to contact me at 203.265.5866 or arodriguez@scowinc.org. Included is a copy of our agency's current operating budget per your request. We look forward to continuing working together to ensure we bring essential programming and services to the community.

We thank you for the Town's continued assistance and support of SCOW.

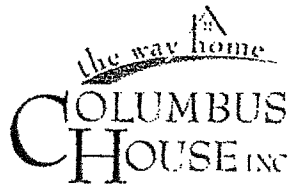
Sincerely,

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Adriana Rodriguez
Executive Director

**Spanish Community of Wallingford
Budget Proposal FY2025-2026**

Ordinary Income/Expense	Budget
Income	FY2025-2026
CT Grant Income	\$ 150,000
WLF D Grant Income	\$ 50,000
Grant Program Income	\$ 150,000
Fundraising Income	\$ 85,075
Donations	\$ 40,000
Professional Services Income	\$ 2,000
Program Income	\$ 65,000
Total Income	\$ 542,075
Expense	
Salaries and Wages	\$ 367,710
Employee Benefits (Health Ins.+ retirement)	\$ 42,309
Payroll Taxes	\$ 27,200
Equipment & Maintenance	\$ 4,000
Phone/Fax/Internet	\$ 7,000
Fundraising Expense	\$ 15,000
Insurance	\$ 10,000
Marketing & Outreach	\$ 5,000
Office Supplies & Expenses	\$ 2,000
Professional Fees	\$ 23,000
Grant Program Expenses	\$ 20,000
Program Expenses	\$ 10,000
Property Repairs & Maintenance	\$ 500
Social Services	\$ 5,000
Van & Travel Expenses	\$ 500
Staff Development and Meetings	\$ 2,000
Memberships, clubs and dues	\$ 856
Total Expense	542,075



Wallingford Emergency Shelter FY2026-27 Planning Budget

I. ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

Name of Organization: Columbus House, Inc.

Address: 586 Ella T Grasso Blvd. New Haven CT 06519

Phone: 475-372-4875

Website: ColumbusHouse.org

Tax Status (e.g. 501(c)(3)) 501(c)(3)

Federal Tax ID# 22-2511873

Contact Name: Karen Gross, Chief Development Officer

Phone: 203.606.8733

Email address: Kgross@columbushouse.org

Purpose and/or mission of your organization:

Columbus House serves people experiencing homelessness or at imminent risk by providing life-saving outreach, shelter, and housing, and by fostering their personal growth and independence. We advocate for and create affordable housing to end homelessness in our communities.

II. PROJECT INFORMATION

A. Describe the specific program for which you are requesting funds:

The Wallingford Emergency Shelter (WES), a Columbus House program, offers year-round shelter for families with children and a seasonal winter shelter for single adults, providing up to 15 beds in total. All clients receive comprehensive, client-centered case management to help them transition to permanent housing and achieve long-term stability, with services including benefit access, employment support, and health care referrals. WES operates within the Middlesex-Meriden-Wallingford Coordinated Access Network (MMW-CAN), ensuring collaboration with regional agencies and streamlined access to housing and support. Since joining Columbus House in 2016, WES has expanded services and introduced two units of permanent supportive housing, though it continues to face sustainability challenges due to a lack of state funding and rising operational costs. Program effectiveness is measured through detailed data collection, outcome tracking, and continuous quality improvement practices. These outcomes reflect our commitment to

helping individuals and families in Wallingford achieve stable housing and long-term self-sufficiency.

B. Need and Benefit for the Wallingford community:

This program directly benefits the Wallingford community by providing emergency shelter and comprehensive support services to families with children and single adults experiencing homelessness. Through its dual structure, the Wallingford Emergency Shelter (WES) offers year-round housing for families and seasonal shelter for up to 16 individuals during the winter months.

Connecticut's By Name List reflects real-time system demand. As of 2.24.2026, the state of CT By Name List includes 6,879 individuals across 6,089 active households, including 515 children. Notably, 2,329 households are currently unsheltered, underscoring significant and growing system strain. The list identifies 184 individuals experiencing verified chronic homelessness.

Households remain active on the By Name List for an average of 129 days statewide, indicating prolonged housing instability and limited exit capacity. Together, these data sets demonstrate that homelessness in Connecticut is not episodic but systemic and sustained.

A snapshot of the Meriden/Middletown/Wallingford community includes 388 households, representing 418 individuals of which 194 remain unsheltered.

This winter, there has already been an unprecedented number of cold weather protocol days (50+) solidifying the critical need for a safe place during extreme weather for our neighbors in the community at their time of greatest need. Clients receive individualized case management to help them secure permanent housing, employment, healthcare, and other vital services. By stabilizing vulnerable households and preventing returns to homelessness, WES reduces the strain on local emergency systems and enhances community well-being. The program also adds to Wallingford's affordable housing stock through two permanent supportive housing units, further addressing the area's critical housing needs.

D. Approximately 50 Wallingford residents will be served per year

III. FUNDING INFORMATION

A. Dollar amount requested: \$150,000

B. Total budget for this project: \$201,210*

C. Prior year funding sources sought and/or obtained:

Town of Wallingford
Ulbrich Philanthropies
Ion Bank Foundation
Wallingford Rotary Foundation
Regan Foundation
James H. Napier Foundation
Archdiocese of Hartford
New Opportunities Inc.

*Based on the unprecedented 50+ days of cold weather protocol, the budget has been increased from 11 days to 20 days and is reflected in wages, taxes, and benefits.

Agency Name:	Columbus House Inc.	Contact Name:	Louis Gill
City/Town Served:	Wallingford area		
CAN:	CAN 8	Email Address	lgill@columbushouse.org
Grant Period	FY26-27		18 Weeks (Dec 1st-March 31st)
Grant Amount			Proposed Budget-Wallingford Emergency Shelter

Account Name	Amount	Budget Justification
Payroll Wages, Payroll Taxes and Benefits		
Salaries	109,558	Staff salaries
Fica tax	8,458	FICA/SUTA taxes associated with staff salaries
Insurance Expense	24,103	Medical expense associated with staff salaries
Retirement Expense	1,534	Retirement expense associated with staff salaries
Workers Compensation	1,862	Workers Compensation associated with staff salaries
Total Personnel Costs	145,515	
Other Program Expenses (Detail)		
Staff Mileage	750	Staff mileage reimbursement
Staff Recruitment	850	Cost for new hires & training
Telephone	1,080	One program cell phone Service.
IT Equipment & Data Processing	1,300	Computer/Printer/Internet Service/IT Support
Office Supplies	533	Basic Office essentials
Office administrative costs	1,317	Cost of PR service, leased copiers
Insurance	845	Libility insurance.
Food	12,096	Daily meals \$8 per client per day, includes snacks .
Utilities	3,761	Electric, water, sewer, gas services
Repairss & Maintenance	2,821	Minor Repairs, facility maintenance, & Laundry Services
House & Grounds Supplies	5,533	Pest control services, trash & snow removal service, cleaning supplies
Client Transportation Assistance	500	Bus Passes
Client Basic Needs Assistance	750	Clothing, cosmetics and other incidentals.
Quality Assurance	5,267	Data collection and verification and programmatic reporting.
Management & support	18,292	Administrative & HR Staff costs
Total Expenses	201,210	

D. The success of the Wallingford Emergency Shelter is dependent on the Town of Wallingford support.

E. Current agency operating budget

Columbus House, Inc.
Statement of Revenue & Expenses
For the period ended June 30, 2026

	FY2026 Budget Forecast
Operating Revenue	
Government Grants	13,725,788
Rents, Fees for Service, and Other	1,595,494
Fundraising Revenue - Current Year	1,315,000
Fundraising Revenue from Prior Years	177,250
Total Operating Revenue	16,813,532
Operating Expenses	
Compensation	11,514,109
Client support, including Food	2,603,881
Occupancy Expenses	1,196,782
Rehab Costs w/operating income	100,000
All Other Expenses	1,498,760
Total Operating Expenses	16,813,532
Net Operating Revenue (Expense)	(0)
FTE	148.71

Respectfully submitted by:



 Louis Gill, CEO

2/25/2026

 Date

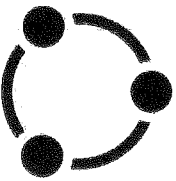


Mid-Season Update

Wallingford Emergency Shelter

February 24th, 2026

For additional information please contact Karen Gross (kgross@columbushouse.org)



Emergency

Shelter:

Operational

Overview



Dates of Operation

December 2025- March 2026

Location & Capacity

15 Beds

Open: Monday-Saturday from 4pm to 7am

Open all day on Sundays

**24/7 during Cold Weather Activations*

Key Partnerships

Town of Wallingford

Ulbrich Steel

Napier

United Way /MMW

Wallingford Police

Wallingford YMCA

The Regan Foundation

Choate

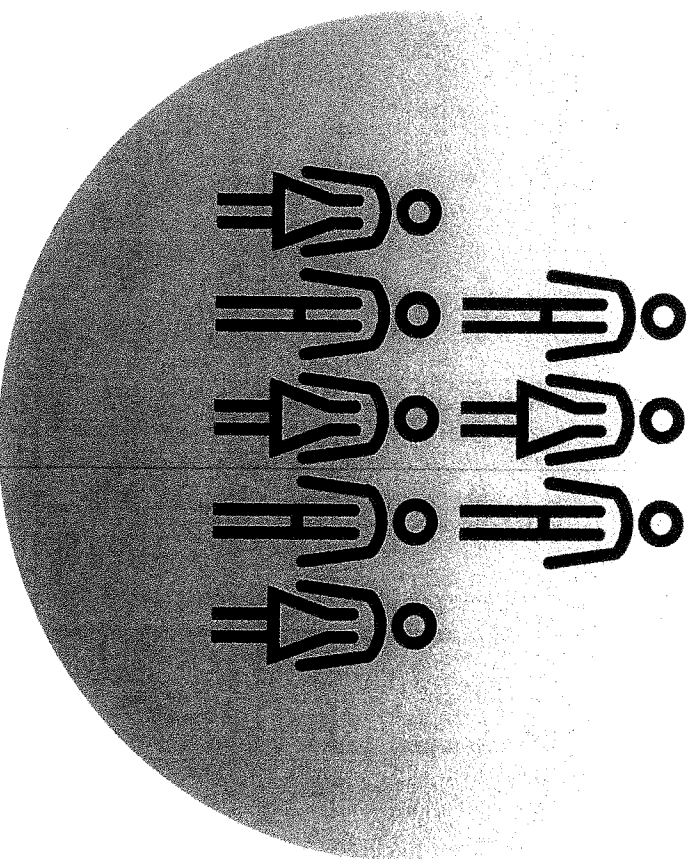
Wallingford Housing Authority



Demographics of People Served: Emergency Shelter

- 30 total individuals served so far
- Over 90% utilization
- **Breakdown:**
 - Average nightly occupancy (15)
 - Repeat from last season (2) & First-time guests (12)

Age	Total
18-24	2
25-34	5
35-44	8
45-54	8
55-64	6
65+	1



Financial Report

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Columbus House
 Statement of Revenue and Expense
 Current Period: 11/1/2025 - 1/31/2026
 Year-to-Date: 11/1/2025 - 1/31/2026
 Wallingford Emergency Shelter
 Rounding: Dollars

	Current Year Year-to-Date
Revenue	
Other Revenue-Town of Wallingford	126,000
Contributions - Restricted	60,755
Revenue	<u>186,755</u>
Expenses	
Direct Salaries	52,019
Grip Medical, Dental, Life, DI	9,478
Payroll Taxes Expense	4,154
Workers Comp Insurance	990
Retirement Plan	551
Client Basic Needs Expense	246
Food, Food Supplies & Service	1,060
Rent & Mortgage Interest Expen	68
Utilities	1,566
Repairs/Maint - Bldgs & Equip	4
House /Grounds Supplies & Svcs	40
Vehicle Expenses	167
Mileage & Travel Expenses	508
Staff Recruitment	784
Administrative Contractual Svc	8
Office Supplies	533
Telephones	957
Data Processing	18
Allocated Balance of FAC & KIT	301
Management & Support Chrgs	9,113
Expenses	<u>82,565</u>
Excess or (Deficiency) of Revenue Over Expenses	<u>104,190</u>

Financial Narrative

Staffing:

- 1 Coordinator, overlap shifts
- 2 Case managers (2nd shift)
- 1 Staff member (3rd shift)

**Emergency Cold Weather Activation* - 2 Staff members

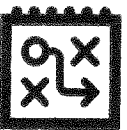
Utilities:

25 different groups and individuals volunteering to do a meal service.

Funding Sources:

- Ulbrich Philanthropies
- St. Benedict of Nursia (*meal services*)
- James H. Napier Foundation
- Ion Bank
- Archdiocese of Hartford (*monetary donations*)
- The Regan Foundation (*gift cards & monetary donations*)
- Wallingford Housing Authority (*in-kind donation blankets*)
- First Baptist Church (*meal services*)
- First Congregational Church (*meal services*)
- St. Paul Episcopal Church (*meal services*)
- Choate Rosemary Hall (*meal services*)
- Quinnipiac University (*in-kind donations*)
- Ralph DeMuis (*monetary donations/ kitchen essentials*)
- Cheshire Highschool (*in-kind hygiene kit donation*)
- North Haven Congregational Church (*in-kind sock & undergarment donations*)

Current Challenge



50+ extended Cold Weather Activations continue to put a strain on funding and staffing.

Opportunities for growth

Expanding volunteer opportunities.

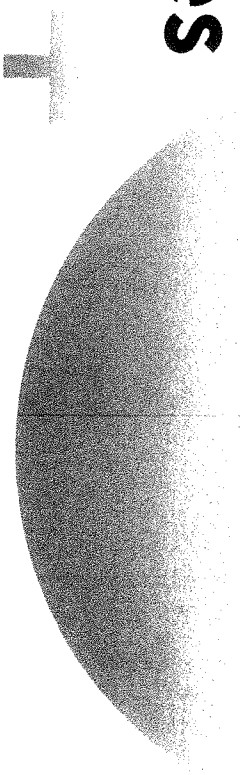
Strengthening provider partnerships to increase resources for clients.

Recent Successes



Greater Wallingford community involvement has strengthened the foundation for sustainable practices by fostering collective responsibility and shared stewardship. Through coordinated donations, expanded meal services, and structured volunteer engagement, we have been able to provide a more comprehensive system of care that responds thoughtfully to the needs of our neighbors.

This season has shown better coordination with Wallingford YMCA opening day programs to client and Wallingford Housing Authority donating extra blankets, and conducting a recent coat drive.



Any Questions?
Thank you for your time.

