

KofC January's Family Of The Month



Hamden: The Knights of Columbus Saint Paul VI Council 14664 has selected the Halloran Family as January's Family of the Month.

Mike and Kathy Halloran have been faithful parishioners of Saint Paul VI for well over 40 years. Kathy taught at St Rita's school for 35 years and was a team member that started the summer Bible school for school age children. This started in the early 1990s. Kathy also volunteered with the Children's Liturgy of the word for several years – using her educational background to assist and teach youth about their religion.

Both Mike and Kathy continue to be very active in the St Rita's school community. Volunteering in many different activities, they continue to support the education of children, having had both their children benefit for a catholic education.

When not in a school setting - Mike and Kathy can be found distributing the Eucharistic as both serve as Eucharistic Ministers.

40 years of faithful service, the Halloran's exemplify the importance of how sharing talent, time and treasure benefit all of our parish community.

Clean Energy Task Force Looking for New Members

North Haven: Are you concerned about our changing climate? Interested in helping North Haven residents, businesses, and our town government save energy and lower utility bills?

Want to help us to move to a clean energy economy? GREAT! You are just who we've been hoping would join us on the North Haven Clean Energy Task Force because we are looking for more members.

As a town-sponsored task force, we work closely with the town and residents to promote and provide opportunities for energy conservation and clean energy. We have had many successful campaigns, including promoting Home Energy Solutions energy assessments, with 40% of North Haven residents participating. We have also led campaigns to educate residents about home solar options and heat pumps,

and connected them with local vendors to install these clean energy technologies so they can realize savings immediately. There is more work to be done!

Even with the clean energy setbacks at the federal level, there are many energy efficiency and clean energy rebates and services available in Connecticut.

To find out more and get involved, please contact Kenny Foscue at kfoscu@snet.net or call (203) 589-1512.

Choral Group Invites New Singers

East Haven: We are a group of singers who meet every Thursday at 1:15pm in the Community Room of the East Haven Hagaman Memorial Library. We sing for an hour and a half with a 10 minute break in between.

Our primary purpose is to bring the joy of hearing choral music to the audiences living in nursing homes and rehabilitation centers.

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Hamden Chess Club Play More Chess Academy



Hamden: Unwind from the week with fellow chess enthusiasts on Fri, February 6, 2026 from 5:00-6:30PM at Play More Chess Academy, Home of the Hamden Chess Club, 1227 Whitney Ave., Hamden, CT 06517.

Rousing games on the big screen, music, free cookies; and

There is no charge and no audition. We provide music to our singers, so that they can have the words in front of them. We sing pleasant songs for fun.

If singing in a chorus interests you, please contact Mike Ryan at Email: mikeryan2011@gmail.com; Phone: (203) 283-5133.

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sodas/water/juice available for \$1.

Open to all ages and chess levels - Whether a casual player or serious competitor this is a great space to meet new people, test your skills, and enjoy a shared love of the game.

FREE - just show up - no registration needed.

Commission on Disability Rights and Opportunities Needs Your Help

The Hamden Commission on Disability Rights and Opportunities not only handles issues of compliance with the ADA law but sponsors events for adults with a disability like the Halloween dance and the Prom, but also events for families with a disabled person. We need more commission members in order to continue our work.

You do not have to be connected to a person with a disability or a venue that provides services. You just have to be a resident of Hamden and have a desire to provide a bright spot in people's lives.

For further information, contact Karimah Mickens, Hamden Town Clerk, kmickens@hamden.gov, (203) 287-7162.

WANTED: Collector buying any Connecticut Brewery items for Wehle, Hulls, Wiebel, Largay or any other CT Breweries, signs, cans, bottles, etc.; call (203) 915-7662

FOR SALE: Futon frame, exc. cond. \$80; (860) 334-6098, North Haven
FREE: China cabinet with glass shelves and glass doors; (203) 399-2595



Spring Glen Garden Club Ongoing Town Projects



Pictured: Members of The Spring Glen Garden Club, Carol V, Ann O, Jeanne and Carol B with one of the planters in Spring Glen. Members of the Club decorated the planters in front of the Shops in Spring Glen Center with Seasonal Greens.

Hamden: The Club would like to thank the Community for helping us celebrate our 100th anniversary.

The Garden Club ongoing projects includes the gardens and planters in Spring Glen, Poppy's Garden on the Farmington Canal Trail and the Historical Herb Garden at The Jonathan Dickerman House, watering the plants at the Government Center and the Miller Library.

The Club donated 10 American Elm hybrid trees to the Hamden Center Park as a result of its successful Wreaths for Trees program.

Other projects of the Club were a Rhododendron Garden at the entry to Lockwood Cottage and the Red Oak tree (Quercus rubra) affectionately known as "Annie Oakley" planted in the Eli Whitney Park.

The Club has been a fixture in the Hamden community since 1925, a chartered member of The Federated Garden Clubs of Connecticut, Inc., and National Garden Clubs, Inc., since 1929. Please stop by our historical display in hall outside the Miller Library in front of the Thorton Wilder Auditorium.

PUBLIC NOTICE TOWN OF HAMDEN

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PROGRAM YEAR 52 DRAFT ANNUAL ACTION PLAN

Availability of Plan for Public Comment and Review

The Town of Hamden has completed a draft of its Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program Year (PY) 52 Annual Action Plan. Hamden receives entitlement funds on an annual basis through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for local projects to primarily benefit low- and moderate- income residents. The Town's estimated CDBG allocation for PY 52, which covers the period from July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027 is \$458,833. The amount of CDBG anticipated for PY 52 is based upon the 2025 funding level, and project budgets will be updated subsequent to HUD announcing the allocation.

The following projects are proposed for funding for PY 52:

Anticipated Annual CDBG Allocation	\$458,833
CDBG Program Administration (20% of allocation)	\$91,766
Public Services (15% annual allocation)	\$68,824
Infrastructure (sidewalks, other public infrastructure improvements, public facility improvements, etc.)	\$100,000
Small Home Repair Program- Residential Rehabilitation	\$198,243
Total CDBG Funding	\$458,833

Public Hearing Notice

Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held on February 25, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. at the Keefe Community Center, 11 Pine Street, Hamden, CT 06514 to accept public comments on the draft plan and proposed activities. The public hearing will include accomplishments reported in the CAPER submitted to HUD for the prior program year for the period July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025. Comments on the CAPER will be accepted at the February 25, 2026 public hearing.

Public Comment Period

The PY 52 DRAFT Annual Action Plan will be available beginning January 27, 2026 on the Town of Hamden's website <https://www.hamden.com/communitydevelopment> and in the Economic Development Department at Government Center, 2750 Dixwell Avenue. A public comment period will commence on January 27, 2026, and will end at close of business on February 27, 2026. Translation may be provided with advanced notice.

Written comments on the proposed plan are encouraged. Please direct written comments to: cdbg@hamden.com. All comments will be considered prior to submitting the PY 52 Annual Action Plan to HUD.

Persons requiring translation services or persons with disabilities must contact the Town no less than three days in advance of viewing the draft plan or the public hearing date to request a reasonable accommodation necessary to participate in the proceedings.

La información será proporcionada en español por petición.