

Farmington Community Chest 2020-2021 Annual Report



The Farmington Community Chest (FCC) is a nonprofit organization founded in 1931 to help individuals and organizations. FCC's current focus is to improve the health, wellbeing, and community life of all residents of Farmington through funding various organizations and initiatives.

In this past fiscal year FCC raised over \$115,000 from individuals, businesses, our annual fundraising event and our yearly contribution from our major contributor, Hartford Foundation for Public Giving. These funds then went directly to support nonprofit organizations that are in line with our current funding priorities of basic human needs, educational programming and community enhancements.

Over the last year the impact of our dollars directly benefited our community. Summer camp scholarships were awarded to 33 school age children and direct aid was provided to qualifying families in our neighborhoods. Of special note this year, Unionville Museum received an award of \$5,000 for a new addition to the building which included a handicapped access bathroom and a galley kitchen with a small storage area. Additional funding of \$12,000 was awarded to the Farmington Food Pantry to support their COVID-19 relief efforts and increased food purchases. Farmington Senior Center was awarded a grant of \$9,000 to improve community classes, expand the fitness & wellness center, as well as and outdoor seating improvements. Finally, Farmington Community Services received a grant of \$2,500 for the annual holiday program, which provided for 20 families and 30 children.

Due to the risks associated with coronavirus, FCC's annual Farmington Cares Day was once again postponed, but the \$4,000 budgeted for its service projects was redirected to a local family to make the home handicap accessible with the addition of a wheelchair ramp.

For 90 years the Farmington Community Chest has supported and strengthened our community. We are proud of our positive impact on the quality of life for all residents and look forward to growing with our community as we continue to seek opportunities to financially support our community's evolving needs.

In November the Farmington Community Chest will start its annual donation drive. Letters will be mailed requesting donations so that we can continue in our tradition of supporting our local nonprofits in providing quality services and programs that directly impact basic human needs, educational programming and community enhancement. Please consider donating. Donations can be made on our website @ www.farmingtoncommunitychest.com, as well as through AmazonSmile while doing your online shopping this holiday season. Farmington Community Chest is also an option during the United Way Campaign and through employer matching gift programs.

This is another wonderful way to show your support for Farmington Community Chest and the many organizations that receive support through FCC. Please join us in strengthening our community!