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## **COMMUNITY CENTERS INC. OF GREENWICH RECEIVES \$18,250 GRANT FROM FAIRFIELD COUNTY'S COMMUNITY FOUNDATION**

Community Centers, Inc. of Greenwich, CT received an \$18,250 grant award from Fairfield County's Community Foundation to support its Summer Youth Program.

For 60 years, CCI has dedicated itself to insuring that those most in need in Greenwich, particularly those living in subsidized housing, have access to community resources and the opportunity to participate in community-based programs appropriate to their needs. CCI offers a combination of educational, therapeutic, and recreational programs; family and group counseling; and advocacy. The goal of our programs is to inspire and support our clients to reach their full potential as active and empowered members of the community.

CCI's summer program, which is free of cost, provides activities five days a week, with transportation. Activities include swimming, tennis, team building, a reading education program, career exploration, outdoor excursions, nature studies, yoga classes, and family outings.

"This grant will help over 75 children and teens primarily residing in Greenwich Public Housing participate in a summer program filled with fun, educational experiences." These experiences allow us to work towards our mission of helping our participants build skills to overcome educational, social, and economic barriers.

CCI founded in 1955, has helped 1,100 clients a year through programs that support local residents of limited resources. CCI's programs include homework clubs and afterschool activities for children and teens, enrichment programs, counseling, citizenship classes and advocacy. These programs provide tools to foster self-sufficiency and growth, whether these skills help a child struggling in school, an adult with developmental disabilities, a teen looking for a structured recreational program, a vulnerable senior with limited means, or a single mother in need of better English skills.

Fairfield County's Community Foundation promotes philanthropy as a means to create change in Fairfield County, focusing on innovative and collaborative solutions to critical issues impacting the community. Individuals, families, corporations and organizations can establish charitable funds or contribute to existing funds. The Community Foundation is in compliance with the Council on Foundations' national standards, and has awarded \$180 million in grants to nonprofits in Fairfield County and beyond. For more information visit [www.fccfoundation.org](http://www.fccfoundation.org).

Community Centers, Inc. of Greenwich is a Greenwich based social service agency dedicated to building skills that empower clients to overcome educational, social, and economic barriers. CCI is a member agency of the United Way of Greenwich. Visit [www.ccigreenwich.org](http://www.ccigreenwich.org) for more information.

(See photograph below)

