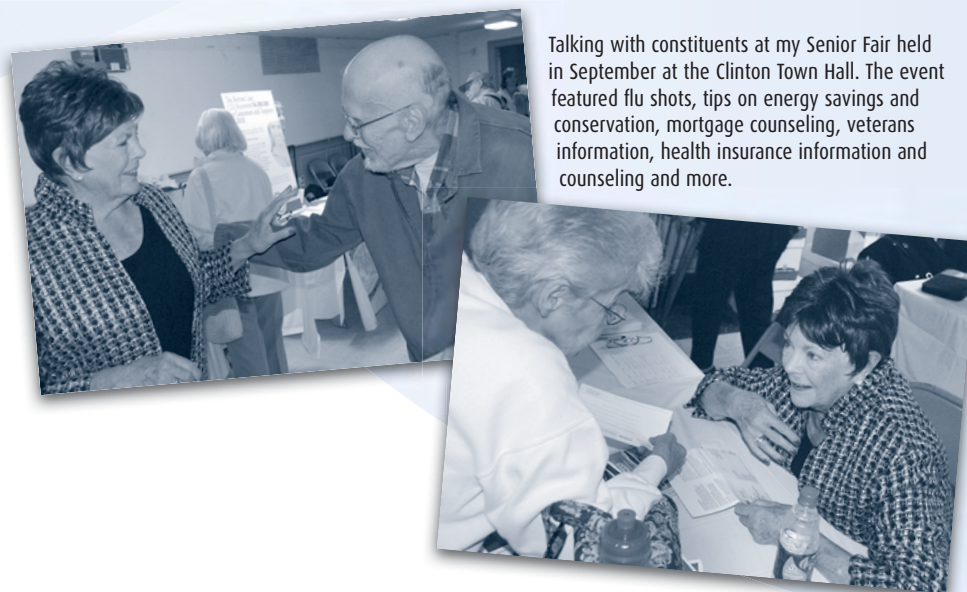


HELPFUL RESOURCES



ENERGY SAVINGS

- ▶ **SAVE ON YOUR ELECTRIC BILL**
Choose Your Electric Supplier—The rate you pay for the generation portion of your electric bill may be lowered by ten percent. 1-877-947-3873 or www.ctenergyinfo.com
- ▶ **STATE SALES TAX EXEMPTIONS**
Connecticut provides sales tax exemptions for energy-efficient products including: Insulation • Caulking • Doors • Fluorescent light bulbs • Furnaces • Geothermal heat pumps • Programmable thermostats • Water heaters • Windows



Talking with constituents at my Senior Fair held in September at the Clinton Town Hall. The event featured flu shots, tips on energy savings and conservation, mortgage counseling, veterans information, health insurance information and counseling and more.

Fighting for Jobs & the Economy

State Senator

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FOR SENIORS

- ▶ **MEDICARE SAVINGS PROGRAMS (MSP)**
Individuals who are enrolled in both Medicare and ConnPACE are no longer able to access ConnPACE benefits. Instead, those eligible for Medicare should apply to the Medicare Savings Program (MSP) in order to receive prescription drug assistance. There is no asset test for this program, and the income limits are the same as those for ConnPACE.
MSP offers eligible seniors savings of at least \$1,000 per year in Medicare Part B premiums. The Medicare Part D Low-Income Subsidy would lower prescription co-payments to \$6.30 or less. For information visit www.ct.gov/dss/medicaresavingsprograms or call Infoline at 211, or CHOICES at 1-800-994-9422.



New Federal Status For Connecticut Hospice

In November I was part of a memorable event held when the Connecticut Hospice received national recognition as an Advanced Palliative Care Hospital, the first institution of any kind to ever be so certified. The Branford landmark, which helps patients from all corners of the state, children and adults, regardless of their ability to pay, had been the focus of an exhaustive inspection and evaluation earlier this fall.



This designation, for clinical breakthroughs and teaching programs in comprehensive hospice and palliative care, secures Connecticut Hospice's reputation as the undisputed national and world leader in the field.

JOB RESOURCES

- ▶ **CT JOB CENTRAL**
An online job bank where individuals can search for jobs as well as upload their resume and access various employment-related information. 1-866-268-6206 or www.jobcentral.org/ct

FOR VETERANS

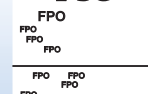
- ▶ **COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS**
The Connecticut General Assembly's Select Committee on Veterans' Affairs advocates for active-duty military personnel, veterans and military families. 1-800-842-1420



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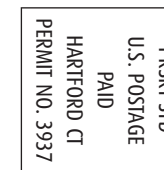
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Additional Resources and Links

Find these special pages under "Resources" at www.senatedems.ct.gov:

- ▶ **Resources for Jobseekers; Connecticut Veterans' Guide; Protecting Homeowners, Preventing Foreclosures; Health Care Programs in Connecticut**





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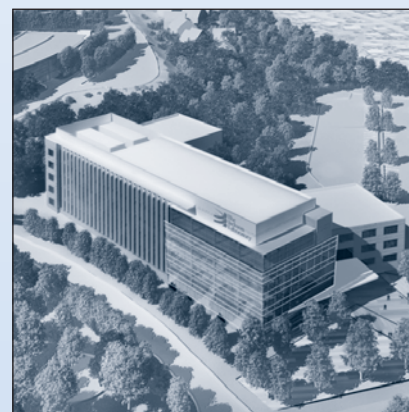
GROWING JOBS

Jobs are the number one issue facing Connecticut today. We took action in the legislature this year to put more people back to work and get our economy growing again. Unlike the partisan gridlock in Washington, both parties came together in Hartford to pass a Jobs Bill of common-sense improvements. We focused on small businesses, **cut the business entity tax in half** and **streamlined state regulations**. Other highlights of the bill include:



Discussing the economic impact of the Portland Brownstone Quarry recreation area with First Selectwoman Susan Bransfield.

- ▶ **Helping small businesses with hiring**—We established a monthly hiring tax credit that increases when businesses hire unemployed, disabled or veteran workers. We also made it easier for businesses to hire new workers for on-the-job training.
- ▶ **Investing in start-ups**—At a time when many banks aren't lending, we invested in new start-up companies by building business incubators and expanding the angel investor tax credit.
- ▶ **Building a workforce for the future**—We will recruit students for vo-tech, agri-science and tech education by promoting their benefits with middle school parents and local boards of education. We'll also establish manufacturing technology programs at three community colleges.
- ▶ **Investing in infrastructure**—We paved the way for economic development zones at Connecticut's general aviation airports, allocated funds for shovel-ready bridge projects and passed major reforms to lower energy costs and increase energy efficiency.



In separate legislation, we rebuilt the UConn Health Center, attracting bioscience leader Jackson Laboratory to build a \$1.1 billion research facility nearby. This will create 900 construction positions and up to 6,000 long-term jobs.

The national economy remains tough, but we took big steps this year to get Connecticut growing again.

LEGISLATIVE SUCCESS

Investing in the Future of Medicine

As America's population ages, health care is becoming more important—not only for personal care, but in the economic sector as well. That's why we are renovating and expanding the UConn Health Center campus in Farmington. Over the next few decades, this project will create at least 16,000 high-quality jobs, attract millions of dollars in federal funding and improve access to health care for families across Connecticut. From a new patient tower and cancer center to bioscience research, the UConn Health Center is on track to become a regional economic and research powerhouse.



A Vision for Connecticut's Energy Future

This year we took on Connecticut's energy costs and electric rates—which are almost the highest in the U.S.—while simultaneously moving Connecticut toward a clean and efficient energy future. We combined the state energy and environmental departments into one. Then, we tasked the new department with improving the purchase of electricity, which will slowly lead to lower rates; studying electric market rates and their effect on higher prices; and investing in zero-emission and low-emission electric generation.

Keeping Our Water Clean

Clean water is good for the environment, healthy for drinking, good for businesses on Long Island Sound and contributes to Connecticut's high standard of living, which attracts businesses and homeowners. This year, we made additional investments in various Clean Water Fund projects. The fund helps cities and towns plan, design and construct wastewater collection and treatment plants that result in better public health, cleaner rivers and a healthier Long Island Sound.

Improving Early Childhood Education

Getting our children off to a strong start early on in their education benefits them for the rest of their lives. We passed legislation to create a coordinated system of early care education and child development to address the needs of children from birth to age 8 (changes take effect in 2013.) The plan will focus on developing oral language and social skills, as well as on closing the achievement gap, improving participation in early childhood programs and increasing parent engagement.

FOR OUR STATE & OUR COMMUNITY

Aid For Our Towns

State funding for cities and towns impacts your property taxes. That's why I fought hard to protect funding for **Chester, Clinton, Colchester, Deep River, East Haddam, East Hampton, Essex, Haddam, Lyme, Old Saybrook, Portland and Westbrook**.

Gillete Castle

Ever since the 2002 re-opening of the Gillette Castle State Park—the result of a four-year, \$11 million restoration—the property has rightfully attracted some 300,000 visitors per year. The eccentricities of the building and grounds are matched by panoramic views, memorable for local residents and tourists alike. This year I helped secure an additional \$75,000 for work on the terraces and stone walls—as much for public safety purposes as aesthetic ones.



In Defense of the Chester-Hadlyme Ferry

Efforts to trim the state budget again put the Chester-Hadlyme Ferry in jeopardy this year, but we successfully stood up to the challenge. For nearly 250 years the ferry has been a vital link; now the need for this crossing has never been more important. Connecticut roads have

never been more congested, jeopardizing public safety, reasonable commutes and ease of routine business and errands. We ought to be considering more options rather than eliminating this one.



Learning From Two Extreme Storms

Connecticut was hit hard with two extreme storms nine weeks apart. In both instances hundreds of thousands of households lost power, most for several days, and many for more than a week. The large number of lengthy outages across the state, primarily in CL&P coverage areas, has led to many questions about this utility's ability to prepare for and manage these drastic situations. CL&P is now under heavy scrutiny and action will be taken by the legislature to address their failure. In a series of post-storm hearings, we listened to suggestions from the public and local officials based on their experiences. We crafted their ideas into recommendations that have now been shared with the governor's Two Storm Panel.

