

Town of Southington



Annual Report

Fiscal Year Ended June 30

"City of Progress"

Historic Southington, Connecticut



First Congregational Church
(Third Meeting House of the Town)
c. 1830



Although Southington was formally established as a town, separate from Farmington, in 1779, its roots go back to a much earlier time. Samuel Woodruff, Southington's first white settler, moved south from Farmington to the area then known as "Panthorne". The settlement grew, prospered and came to be known as "South Farmington" and then later, the shortened version, "Southington."

A meeting house, independent of the Farmington parish, was first constructed here in 1726 and was used until 1757. Its location on the site of the present Oak Hill Cemetery, is commemorated by the First Meeting House stone and plaque.

Southington became a thriving community with the construction of dwellings, taverns and stores. Industry flourished rapidly. In 1767, Atwater's grist mill was established and by 1790 Southington had a button factory, saw mills, a brass foundry and pot-ash works. In addition, the first machines to make carriage bolts were developed in Southington.

Southington played a part in this country's military heritage. Important town visitors during the Revolutionary War include Washington, Lafayette and Count Rochambeau.

Southington today is a growing community, once described as "A Microcosm of America". The town is located in Hartford County, within 20 miles of Hartford and 9 miles of Waterbury, and includes the sections of Plantsville, Milldale and Marion. The geographic area of the town is 36.8 square miles, ranking it 40th out of 169 Connecticut towns, and its population is approximately 40,000. While today it is a modern residential, commercial and industrial community, Southington is proud of its history.

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Southington Town Hall

Department Heads:

Brian Lastra	Assessor
James Butler	Building Official
Robert Verderame	Calendar House - Senior Center Director
Janet Mellon	Community Services Director
Leslie G. Cotton	Town Clerk
Joseph V. Erardi	Education - Superintendent of Schools
Anthony J. Tranquillo	Director of Public Works/Town Engineer
Harold Clark	Fire Chief
Emilia C. Portelinha	Finance Director
Charles I. Motes, Jr.	Health Director
Steven H. Wlodkowski	Highway Superintendent
Stephen L. Palmieri	Housing Authority Executive Director
Susan Smayda	Library Director
Mary Savage-Dunham	Town Planner
John F. Daly	Police Chief
David A. Lapreay	Recreation Director
Edward M. Malczyk	Registrar of Voters
Robert L. Sherman	Registrar of Voters
Marilyn Dorau	Tax Collector
Richard E. Lopatosky	Information Technology Manager
Thomas R. West	Water Department Superintendent
John DeGioia	Water Pollution Control Superintendent
Susan Saucier	Youth Services Director

TOWN OF SOUTHTON
BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS
June 30, 2011

TOWN COUNCIL

9 members - 2 yr. terms

Edward S. Pocock, III, Chairman
John C. Dobbins, Vice Chairman
John N. Barry
Anthony E. D'Angelo
Dawn A. Miceli
Albert A. Natelli, Jr.
Christopher J. Palmieri
Peter J. Romano, Jr.
Stephanie A. Urillo

TOWN MANAGER

DEPUTY TOWN MANAGER/TOWN ATTORNEY

ASSISTANT TOWN ATTORNEY

Garry Brumback

Mark J. Sciota

Louis Martocchio

BOARD OF EDUCATION

9 members - 2 yr. terms

	<u>Nov.</u>
Brian S. Goralski, Chair	2011
Terri C. Carmody, VC	2011
Colleen W. Clark	2011
David J. Derynoski	2011
Patricia P. Johnson	2011
Rosemarie Micacci Fischer	2011
Jill Notar-Francesco	2011
Kathleen C. Rickard	2011
Patricia A. Queen	2011

BOARD OF FINANCE

6 members - 2 yr. terms

	<u>Nov.</u>
John J. Leary, Chair	2011
Joseph K. Labieniec, VC	2011
Wayne W. Stanforth	2011
Kevin R. Beaudoin	2011
John P. Moise	2011
Edward S. Pocock, Jr.	2011

PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION

7 members - 4 yr. terms

BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

6 members - 4 yr. terms

	<u>Nov.</u>
Thomas J. Murphy, Pres.	2013
Erik E. Semmel, Vice Pres.	2011
Robert M. Berkmoes, Secy.	2011
Michael S. Domian	2011
Cheryl S. Lounsbury	2013
Angelina M. SantaMaria	2013

	<u>Nov.</u>
Michael DelSanto, Chair	2013
Paul Chaplinsky, Jr.	2013
Kelly M. Kennedy DelDebbio	2011
Steven Kalkowski	2013
Francis J. Kenefick	2011
James Sinclair	2011
Zaya A. Oshana, Jr.	2013

PZC ALTERNATES

4 members - 4 yr. terms

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

2 members - 4 yr. terms, elected

	<u>Jan.</u>
previous November	
Edward M. Malczyk	2013
Robert L. Sherman	2013

	<u>Nov.</u>
Lisa Conroy	2011
Jim Macchio	2013
Vacancy	2013
Randall J. Gage	2013

TOWN CLERK

6 yr. term, elected previous Nov.

	<u>Jan.</u>
Leslie G. Cotton	2014

BOARD OF ASSESSMENT APPEALS

3 members - 4 yr. terms

	<u>Oct.</u>
Michael C. Bunko	2014
Sandra B. Beal	2012
Barbara P. Roberts	2011

BOARD OF ETHICS

4 members - 3 yr. terms (6 yrs. Consec.)

	<u>Aug.</u>
Joan Lucas-Fenn, Chair	2011
John T. Strillacci	2011
Philip Wooding, VC	2012
Craig D. Simms	2013

BOARD OF ETHICS ALTERNATES

2 members - 3 yr. terms

	<u>Aug.</u>
Walter Hushak	2012
Carol Paradise	2012

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

5 members - 4 yr. terms

	<u>Nov.</u>
Robert L. Sherman, Chair	2013
Ann P. Dandrow, VC	2014
Mary E. Baker	2014
Guss Nevelos	2012
Dolores Longo	2011

BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS

5 members - 4 yr. terms

	<u>Oct.</u>
John J. Fontana, Chair	2014
Michael J. Fasulo, VC	2013
Joseph LaPorte	2013
David F. Kanute	2014
Joanne D. Palmieri	2011

BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS

5 members - 4 yr. terms

	<u>Nov.</u>
James Verderame, Chair	2011
Elaine D. Bedard	2012
David DellaVecchia	2010
Margaret Nevelos	2010
Stephen C. Pestillo	2013

BUILDING BOARD OF APPEALS

5 members - 5 yr. terms

	<u>Nov.</u>
George Griffin	2009
Thomas E. Hirsh	2007
Michael R. Longo	2011
James Shanley	2014
Richard K. White	2008

CABLE TV ADVISORY COMMITTEE

4 members - 2 yr. terms

	<u>July</u>
Vacancy	2012
Richard P. Campbell III	2012
Dave Voris	2012
Karen G. Kritz	2012

CAPITAL WORKFORCE PARTNERS*Elected Official Consortium*

David Zoni, Town Manager Rep.

Workforce Investment Board

1 member - 3 yr. term

	<u>July</u>
Janet Mellon	2011

CENTRAL CONNECTICUTREGIONAL PLANNING AGENCY

3 members - 2 yr. terms

	<u>May</u>
Rudolph Cabata	2013
James (Rusty) Haigh	2013
Vacancy	2013

CENTRAL REGIONAL TOURISMDISTRICT BOARD

1 member - 3 yr. term

	<u>Sept.</u>
Neal W. Witkin	2012

COMMISSION ON DisABILITIES

9 members - 2 yr. terms

	<u>April</u>
Sharon M. Neupaver, Chair	2013
Wilton F. Hawes, VC	2013
George J. Pohorilak	2013
Judith Dandrow	2013
Karen E. Cavanaugh, Treas.	2013
Jacqueline Charette, Secy	2013
Gene Meccariello	2013
Marlene Carbone	2013
Jennifer Magnanini	2013

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

7 members - 4 yr. terms

	<u>April</u>
Theresa A. Albanese, Chair	2015
Christopher Borowy	2013
Theodore A. Cabata	2012
William O. Camp	2015
John E. DeMello, Sr.	2012
Dennis Palmieri	2014
James P. Sullivan	2013

CONSERVATION COMM. ALTERNATES

2 members - 4 yr. terms

	<u>April</u>
Vacancy	2013
Richard E. Post	2013

CONSTABLES

7 members - 2 yr. terms

	<u>Nov.</u>
Michael C. Bunko	2011
Gerald D. Dandrow	2011
Thomas S. Janik	2011
Andrew J. Meade	2011
Sharon M. O'Brien	2011
Constance C. Proll	2011
David Zoni	2011

ENTERPRISE AND ECONOMIC

DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE (SEED)

13 members - 4 yr. staggered terms

	<u>Sept.</u>
Dana G. Rickard, Chair	2013
Stephen L. Palmieri	2014
Elaine Bedard	2011
Terri C. Carmody	2014
David Cayer	2012
Anthony A. Sheffy	2012
Lucille Cusano	2013
John F. Daly	2014
Michael Ferreri	2012
Christopher Palmieri	2011
Louis Perillo	2011
Erik Semmel	2013
Garry Brumback	2011

FENCE COMMITTEE

3 members

David Neupaver
John J. Vey, Jr.
Carol A. Ladd

HISTORIAN

Carl Sokolowski

HOUSING AUTHORITY

5 members - 5 yr. terms

	<u>Oct.</u>
Dennis P. Conroy, Chair	2013
Agnes Bart	2014
David A. DellaVecchia	2012
Helen Locks	2011
Sharon M. O'Brien	2015

LIBRARY DIRECTORS

9 members - 4 yr. terms

	<u>Nov.</u>
Mary Ellen D'Angelo, Chair	2013
David A. Monti, Sr., VC	2011
Theresa C. O'Connor	2011
Heidi K. Bittner	2011
Robert W. Cusano, Treas	2011
Anne LaPorte	2011
Marion M. Manware	2011
Fran Meade	2013
Kimberly Roy	2013

OPEN SPACE

ACQUISITION COMMITTEE

8 members - 2 yr. terms

	<u>Nov.</u>
Robert Berkmoes, Chair	2011
Christopher Borowy	2011
Kelly K. DelDebbio	2011
Joseph Labieniec	2011
Dawn A. Miceli	2011
Bonnie Sica	2011
Stephanie A. Urillo	2011
Garry Brumback	2011

PARKING AUTHORITY

5 members - 5 yr. terms

	<u>Nov.</u>
John J. Solury, Chair	2012
Mark J. Dziubek	2011
Dolores Babkirk-Rodrigues	2013
Michael A. Riccio	2015
Mathew W. Florian	2014

SENIOR CITIZENS COMMISSION

9 members - 3 yr. terms

	<u>March</u>
Earl Temchin, Chair	2013
Bartolomeo Cammuso	2012
Constance Proll	2014
Marjorie T. Chase	2014
Susan M. Locks	2012
Lynn Maschi	2013
Sandra J. Micalizzi	2013
Leonard Marcheselle	2014
Michael Rossi	2012

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

5 members - 4 yr. terms

	<u>Nov.</u>
Robert Salka, Chair	2011
Edmund G. Costello	2014
Bryan M. Wysong	2014
Jeffrey D. Gworek	2014
Patricia Potter	2011

ZBA ALTERNATES

4 members - 4 yr. terms

	<u>Nov.</u>
Ronald Bohigian	2011
Juanita Champagne	2014
Michael A. Milo	2011
Matthew J. O'Keefe	2011

SELF-INSURANCE COMMITTEE

9 members - 2 yr. terms

	<u>Oct.</u>
Dr. Al Natelli	2011
John Barry	2011
Joseph Labieniec	2011
John Moise	2011
Jill Notar-Francesco	2011
Sherri DiNello	2011
Salvatore J. Dominello	2011
Francis Verderame, Sr.	2011
Ron Theriault	2011
Garry Brumback, ex-officio	2011
Emilia Portelinha, ex-officio	2011

Town of Southington



Town Council

Edward S. Pocock, III, Chairman
John C. Dobbins, Vice Chairman
John N. Barry
Cheryl Lounsbury
Dawn A. Miceli
Albert A. Natelli, Jr.
Christopher J. Palmieri
Peter J. Romano, Jr.
Stephanie A. Urillo

Town Manager

GARRY BRUMBACK
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Honorable Chairman
and Town Council

Ladies and Gentlemen:

It is my distinct pleasure to submit to you the 45th Annual Report under the Council-Manager plan and the first report with a new Town Manager covering the period July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011.

What you will find in this report is an extraordinary amount of hard work by dedicated professionals in support of our town and our community. Each of the departments describes the work that they have accomplished and the people who they have served over this past year. Our intent is to provide the very best local government possible.

What is not in this report are the extraordinary challenges that our community and this organization have faced during this period and the fact that despite weather challenges, economic challenges, facilities and resources challenges, this great organization continues to provide excellent support every day.

This past year saw unprecedented winter storms, a spring flood, tropical storm Irene and snow storm Alfred, all of which provided the opportunity not only for the town employees to demonstrate their skills but also provided an opportunity for our town to come together by helping one another. This past year saw many of our citizens continue to struggle in the face of a very difficult economic period. Our town came together again and supported those less fortunate with the same enthusiasm and pride you would expect of this wonderful community.

I am very proud of this organization and all they have accomplished over the past twelve months and am equally proud to be part of such an extraordinary community. I hope you enjoy reading what has been done with your tax dollars over the past year and we look forward to building on this success and will work for your continued support in the year ahead.

Very truly yours,

TOWN OF SOUTHTON

Garry Brumback
Town Manager

"City of Progress"



Town of Southington

Department of Assessments

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Brian M. Lastra, Assessor

Patrick Leveille, Deputy Assessor

Department of Assessments Annual Report July 2010 thru June 2011

I am very fortunate to have a great group of hardworking and dedicated employees to work with. Deputy Assessor Patrick Leveille, along with the office staff of Sandy Berkmoes, Evelyn Cello, and Sheryl Festa, provide accurate and efficient service to all of our customers. In fact, good customer service is the lifeblood of any organization and this group of professionals truly excels at putting forth the extra effort to respectfully serve our taxpayers and others requiring assistance.

The past year saw a healthy increase in the net taxable value of the Town's Grand List as of October 1, 2010. The assessment totals below represent a comparison between the 2009 Grand List and the 2010 Grand List. The Net Taxable Value of the Grand List increased from \$4,016,158,859 to \$4,063,217,317; an increase of \$47,058,458 or approximately 1.17%.

Comparison Net Taxable Value

	2009	2010	Change	% Change
Real Estate	3,554,619,329	3,585,797,902	31,178,573	0.88%
Motor Vehicles	297,911,046	315,389,412	17,478,366	5.87%
Personal				
Property	163,628,484	162,030,003	-1,598,481	-0.98%
	=====	=====	=====	=====
Grand Total	4,016,158,859	4,063,217,317	47,058,458	1.17%

With respect to real estate, there was a net assessment increase of 31,178,573. Approximately 6.16 million of this increase was due to the construction of the new BJ's Wholesale Club at 75 Spring Street. As of October 1, 2010, the retail facility was approximately 40% complete. Various residential subdivisions and the construction of new single family homes and condominiums also contributed significantly to the growth.

The net assessment of business personal property decreased 1,598,481. The decrease is primarily due to the final year phase-in of an exemption for existing manufacturing equipment. The exemption increased by 5,107,138 from 17,628,886 in 2009 to 22,736,024 in 2010. All manufacturing equipment is now totally exempt. This exemption increase more than offset some notable increases. Connecticut Light & Power's investment in new transmission and distribution equipment resulted in an assessment increase of approximately 4.4 million. ESPN's assessment increased by 1.23 million and reflects new expenditures associated with its satellite teleport facility. Wal-Mart's significant renovations to its store at 235 Queen Street resulted in an assessment increase of approximately 673,000. Otherwise, due to the sluggish economy, it was not surprising to see little investment in new equipment by the vast majority of businesses.

World Wide Web URL: <http://www.southington.org>

With respect to motor vehicles, the total assessment increased by 17,478,366 or 5.87%. The number of vehicles on the Grand List increased from 43,295 to 43,628. In general, existing used cars and trucks are held their resale values well.

Access to real estate assessment data is available at the Town of Southington's web site; www.southington.org. At the Town's home page, there is a link to "GIS Maps and Reports" which provides access to the town's Geographic Information System. Visitors to this site can access property data and mapping products for individual properties. There are also a number of predefined maps available such as zoning maps, street index maps, and zip code maps. Finally, through the use of state-of-the-art mapping software, users have direct access to the town's GIS layers to create custom maps for inquiry and printing.

From the Assessor's web page, you can access the assessment data that is part of the department's working property database. Called "IAS World," this software provides a view of all property assessment data for any parcel in town plus a building photograph and drawing where applicable.

Finally, the town signed a contract with Vision Government Solutions to assist with the state-mandated town-wide revaluation of all real estate. The revaluation will reflect property values as of October 1, 2011. It is anticipated that the new assessments will be mailed to taxpayers in late November of 2011.

Southington Top Ten Taxpayers

Rank	PROPERTY OWNER	LOCATION	REAL ESTATE	PERSONAL PROPERTY	TOTAL
1	Connecticut Light & Power	Various	2,506,140	56,722,389	59,228,529
2	RK Southington LLC (Galileo Queens Plaza)	825 Queen St.	15,453,200		15,453,200
3	Hartconn Corp (Hartford Fire Insurance)	400 Executive Blvd	10,545,430	4,732,707	15,278,137
4	Yankee Gas Services Company	Various	69,580	14,511,167	14,580,747
5	Execwest LLC (Lowes Home Improvement & Developable Land	Executive Blvd	14,102,690		14,102,690
6	45 Newell Street Associates LLC (Yarde Metals Inc)	45 Newell St	9,241,190	4,167,447	13,408,637
7	Lexington Southington LP	200 Executive Blvd	13,094,620		13,094,620
8	Target Corporation	600 Executive Blvd	11,287,500	1,283,224	12,570,724
9	Widewaters WC5 Southington	1816 Meriden & Waterbury Rd	10,850,280		10,850,280
10	Southington Route 10 Associates	750 Queen St.	10,820,191		10,820,191

Respectfully submitted,
 Brian Lastra, CCMA II
 Town Assessor

REPORT OF THE BUILDING INSPECTOR
JULY 1, 2010 THRU JUNE 30, 2011

MONTHLY TOTAL OF ALL FEES

JULY	\$84,487.79
AUGUST	\$67,193.07
SEPTEMBER	\$56,509.70
OCTOBER	\$58,302.25
NOVEMBER	\$82,040.17
DECEMBER	\$40,153.54
JANUARY	\$22,552.51
FEBRUARY	\$26,444.22
MARCH	\$43,131.85
APRIL	\$77,685.69
MAY	\$51,763.07
JUNE	\$54,985.97

TOTAL	\$665,249.83
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Total number of building permits:	1284
Total number of single family homes:	61
Total number of duplexes:	2
Total number of condos & townhouses:	1 bldg. 4 units and 1 condo
Total number of above ground pools:	57
Total number of inground pools:	23



Jim Butler, Building Official

REPORT OF THE BUILDING INSPECTOR
July 1, 2010 thru June 30, 2011

	<u>ESTIMATED COST</u>	<u>BUILDING</u>	<u>ELECTRICAL</u>	<u>PLUMBING</u>	<u>HEATING</u>	<u>CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY</u>
JULY	\$6,074,661.00	\$38,375.00	\$7,655.00	\$5,540.00	\$10,095.00	\$2,010.00
AUGUST	\$3,485,835.00	\$25,760.00	\$12,705.00	\$2,975.00	\$14,500.00	\$1,510.00
SEPTEMBER	\$3,077,530.00	\$29,635.00	\$9,185.00	\$2,895.00	\$4,590.00	\$2,215.00
OCTOBER	\$3,268,182.00	\$32,825.00	\$5,270.00	\$2,460.00	\$5,325.00	\$1,915.00
NOVEMBER	\$4,822,597.00	\$57,140.00	\$3,635.00	\$1,885.00	\$10,180.00	\$1,850.00
DECEMBER	\$2,315,877.00	\$26,344.00	\$3,485.00	\$1,650.00	\$3,970.00	\$1,470.00
JANUARY	\$1,033,734.00	\$7,015.00	\$2,920.00	\$1,620.00	\$4,335.00	\$1,130.00
FEBRUARY	\$953,998.00	\$14,655.00	\$1,555.00	\$1,565.00	\$3,325.00	\$1,250.00
MARCH	\$2,005,474.00	\$17,046.25	\$5,585.00	\$1,835.00	\$6,410.00	\$1,690.00
APRIL	\$4,007,474.00	\$44,260.00	\$2,435.00	\$9,475.00	\$5,425.00	\$2,350.00
MAY	\$2,446,594.00	\$22,895.00	\$8,975.00	\$1,430.00	\$4,285.00	\$2,300.00
JUNE	\$2,929,539.00	\$30,320.00	\$5,015.00	\$1,880.00	\$5,040.00	\$2,410.00
TOTALS	\$36,421,495.00	\$346,270.25	\$68,320.00	\$35,210.00	\$77,480.00	\$22,100.00

	<u>SWIMMING POOLS</u>	<u>BOARD OF APPEALS</u>	<u>ZONING REGS AND MAPS</u>	<u>PLANNING & ZONING</u>	<u>SUB DIVISION</u>	<u>LOT LINE ADMINISTRATIVE</u>
JULY	\$2,885.00	\$1,860.00	\$0.00	\$2,820.00	\$5,800.00	\$0.00
AUGUST	\$825.00	\$1,580.00	\$0.00	\$1,120.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
SEPTEMBER	\$770.00	\$1,100.00	\$0.00	\$460.00	\$0.00	\$200.00
OCTOBER	\$615.00	\$2,080.00	\$0.00	\$2,350.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
NOVEMBER	\$0.00	\$780.00	\$0.00	\$2,420.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
DECEMBER	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$230.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
JANUARY	\$455.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,010.00	\$1,180.00	\$100.00
FEBRUARY	\$0.00	\$1,040.00	\$0.00	\$1,860.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
MARCH	\$680.00	\$520.00	\$0.00	\$2,340.00	\$0.00	\$200.00
APRIL	\$2,780.00	\$540.00	\$0.00	\$2,340.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
MAY	\$1,080.00	\$1,060.00	\$0.00	\$2,720.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
JUNE	\$1,880.00	\$1,320.00	\$0.00	\$1,260.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
TOTALS	\$11,970.00	\$11,880.00	\$0.00	\$21,930.00	\$6,980.00	\$700.00

REPORT OF THE BUILDING INSPECTOR
JULY 1, 2010 THRU JUNE 30, 2011

	HOME OCCUPATION	INLAND WETLAND	REINSPECTION FEES	ZONING PERMITS	STATE FEES	MISC. FEES
JULY	\$0.00	\$590.00	\$475.00	\$5,200.00	\$1,082.79	\$100.00
AUGUST	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$25.00	\$5,200.00	\$955.57	\$37.50
SEPTEMBER	\$0.00	\$320.00	\$400.00	\$3,920.00	\$803.70	\$16.00
OCTOBER	\$0.00	\$110.00	\$265.96	\$4,320.00	\$766.29	\$0.00
NOVEMBER	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$225.00	\$2,800.00	\$1,225.17	\$0.00
DECEMBER	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,400.00	\$604.54	\$0.00
JANUARY	\$0.00	\$320.00	\$0.00	\$1,200.00	\$267.51	\$0.00
FEBRUARY	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$25.00	\$720.00	\$349.22	\$0.00
MARCH	\$130.00	\$0.00	\$400.00	\$5,760.00	\$527.60	\$8.00
APRIL	\$0.00	\$110.00	\$0.00	\$5,880.00	\$1,090.69	\$0.00
MAY	\$0.00	\$320.00	\$200.00	\$5,760.00	\$638.07	\$0.00
JUNE	\$0.00	\$480.00	\$0.00	\$4,620.00	\$760.97	\$0.00

TOTALS	\$130.00	\$2,250.00	\$2,015.96	\$46,780.00	\$9,072.12	\$161.50
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TOWN OF SOUTHTON

Senior Citizens Commission

388 Pleasant Street
Southington, Connecticut 06489
Tel. 621-3014

ANNUAL REPORT

As the Town of Southington's Senior Center, the Calendar House serves as both an agency and a multipurpose municipal facility, providing a valuable community resource in facilitating the dissemination of information, offering referrals and providing quality programs and social services in response to the diverse social, physical and intellectual issues confronting older adults including the baby boomers.

With an important mission of reinforcing positive attitudes and preserving individual dignity, the Senior Center staff strives to enhance an atmosphere of compassion and concern for town residents age 55 and older by implementing vital and beneficial programs, services and activities.

Committed to maintaining a high standard of service while responding to the challenges, interests and concerns of expanding and changing demographics, the Executive Director, Program Coordinator, Secretary, Clerk Typist, Bus Drivers, volunteers and the Senior Citizen Commissioners continually work together to explore and develop new and relevant programs.

Our diversity is best reflected in the variety of areas addressed at the center, which run the gamut of expanding computer class and club offerings; extensive social service counseling; art and craft enrichment classes; energetic exercise and informative wellness programs; the town's only transportation service; and serving as a community emergency refuge site.

This report will expand upon the FY 2010-2011, providing insight and information regarding this community asset.

The Center's membership continues to grow, with 7,018 active members registered as of June 30, 2011.

Calendar House, designated as an emergency refuge site, has served on several occasions, opening the doors to residents during power outages, extreme weather conditions and other adverse situations. On November 9, 2010 a construction crew ruptured a gas line on West Center Street in Southington at approximately 7 a.m. Many residents were evacuated from their homes causing Calendar House to become an emergency shelter for the day.

Twenty-two residents were transported, fed and cared for by Calendar House staff and the C.E.R.T. Team (Community Emergency Response Team).

The November 9th incident set the wheels in motion for the one piece of equipment that was missing, a generator!

Southington Health Director Charles Motes, Town Engineer Tony Tranquillo, and Deputy Town Manager/Town Attorney Mark Sciota coordinated the effort to acquire a generator from the Homeland Security Fund.

A successful grant was obtained to purchase the generator and by December 1, 2010 it was fully installed and working (just in time).

Winter storms Adrienne, Benedict, Claire, and Ella were just a few names given to snow storms this past winter. Record snow fall, along with power outages and transportation problems kept Calendar House open as a shelter for residents to wait out the storms. During the blizzard of December 26, 2010 a total of 40 residents sought shelter at Calendar House.

A combination of good communication and resources such as the C.E.R.T. Team, Calendar House and other town departments proved to be very vital to our Community Preparedness Plan. Together they ensure that the public safety of our residents can effectively be handled in a timely manner.

DBS Energy Inc, an approved CL&P energy conservation contractor, conducted an energy audit and determined that Calendar House qualified for a Utility Conservation Rebate Program offered by CL& P. DBS Energy, Inc. proposed a project to upgrade to energy efficient lighting and the complete installation of two new HVAC roof top units with new curbs and flashing, as well as disposal of removed fixtures. Calendar House qualified for a utility incentive in the amount of \$26,323., or 48% of the total project cost of \$54,755. The balance of the project cost, \$28,423., will be paid in monthly installments within our utility bill with no add on financing cost. This loan program is offered to provide the customer with more energy efficient lighting and HVAC equipment, with the savings partially offsetting the loan's obligation. The annual estimated electrical savings are 31,755 kWh, an annual estimated dollar savings of \$6,208., with an estimated payback period of 4.6 years. By taking advantage of this opportunity we not only will save energy and contain cost, but have achieved the much needed replacement of our 17 year old existing HVAC units approaching the end of their useful life requiring considerable ongoing maintenance, without separately budgeting for same as a capital improvement item.

During fiscal year 2010/11, July 1st through June 30th, our Dial-A-Ride buses provided Southington residents age 55 and older and disabled individuals, 13,919 one way rides, averaging 1,160 one way rides per month, with a record high of 1,431 one way rides during the month of June 2011! These figures include 6,251 rides to medical appointments in-town and 915 rides to medical appointments out-of-town. Our Dial-A-Ride Program provides transportation for senior citizens to shopping destinations throughout town, as well as back and forth to the Calendar House for programs and services. We also provide transportation to places of employment for several disabled individuals.

As a designated emergency shelter, we were called upon to transport 22 individuals during the gas main evacuation on November 9, 2010. During the blizzard of December 26, 2010, 28 senior citizens from the Housing Authority sites were transported to Calendar House for emergency shelter. An additional 12 residents drove themselves to Calendar House for shelter bringing the total cared for during the storm to 40 individuals.

With expanded service to Midstate Medical Center in Meriden, UConn Health Center in Farmington, Apple Rehab in Plainville, Bristol Hospital and more destinations in town, Calendar House continues to increase service for our seniors.

Along with this result of increased expansion, our cost to the Town has been significantly defrayed by the State of CT Matching Grant Program for elderly and disabled individuals. The Executive Director and staff were successful once again in obtaining a \$50,035. Grant for expanded service.

Our Dial-A-Ride program continues to provide an invaluable service, enabling our senior citizens to have safe, reliable transportation to medical appointments, vital services within the community, shopping destinations and social activities. It literally has become a lifeline for those who no longer drive, whose family and friends are working or out of town, and who do not have other means of transportation.

A transportation standing subcommittee of the Senior Citizens Commission has been established to further enhance the services provided under this program.

Our classes have experienced continued growth, offering activities of interest for almost everyone. We offer a wide variety of fine arts and craft classes including: folk art, beginner, intermediate and advanced drawing, basic acrylic painting, stained glass, watercolor painting, poetry, two quilting classes and woodcarving. We also hold occasional one-day art/craft workshops that offer our members an opportunity to become familiar with other aspects of the creative arts.

Our annual Fine Arts and Crafts Exhibit, showcasing the artistic and creative endeavors of class participants, was held on Sunday, May 15th. Everyone involved was very pleased that we were once again able to hold the event on a Sunday. It provides a wonderful opportunity for family members and friends, unable to come during the work week, to enjoy the exhibit, mingling with the artists and relaxing with light refreshments. This very affirming, positive experience generates enthusiastic participation, with over two hundred attendees this year. The efforts of the students and dedication of our instructors uncover and develop amazing talents evidenced in the paintings, quilts, drawings, stained glass pieces, woodcarving and decorative arts displayed.

In response to increased requests and in keeping with a societal trend of maintaining optimum physical and emotional health and well-being in older adults, Calendar House offers several

fitness classes that are very well attended. We currently sponsor two line dance classes, two dancercise classes, one physical fitness class, two strength training classes, and two gentle seated yoga classes. In addition, two ACE Aerobic classes were also added, as well as an Osteoporosis exercise class. We also have an informal badminton group that plays two days a week.

A number of active social clubs and groups meet at Calendar House on a regular basis, including: a book discussion group, and genealogy, financial, digital photography and computer clubs that meet each month. The “Granny Squares”, a quilting group, meets weekly to work on lap quilts for the homebound, as well as baby items which are donated to Community Services. In addition, bridge, scrabble and mahjong groups meet on a weekly basis.

In our continued efforts to promote intergenerational events and strengthen community ties, we continue to enjoy an on-going relationship with students from the DePaolo Middle School’s Community Service Organization. As in past years, students from DePaolo assisted with our meal program five days per week. Winter and spring performances by the DePaolo Band, Chorus and String Orchestra were also held at Calendar House. In May, the staff and 5th grade students of St. Dominic’s School hosted a spring luncheon for over 90 Calendar House members. Calendar House seniors were also given an invitation to attend a special performance of “How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying”, performed by students of both DePaolo and Kennedy Middle School. Over 100 seniors attended. Transportation was made available by our Dial-a-ride service.

Calendar House continued its third year with our intergenerational outreach program called “Generations Reaching Out” (GRO). GRO provides outreach opportunities for Calendar House members and Southington school students. Older individuals, who are unable to leave their homes, may feel isolated due to an inability to engage in ongoing social activities. The goal of this program is to enable homebound seniors to remain connected to their senior center family and the community-at-large by providing opportunities for interaction several times a year, thereby promoting relationships and understanding between the generations and providing vital contact with their peers. This program is made possible through the collaborative efforts of Calendar House, Southington Housing Authority and the Southington School administration. Students at Plantsville and Derynoski Schools provided hand-made greeting cards that were distributed to the homebound and to members at our special holiday events.

A “Grandparents Raising Grandchildren” support group meets monthly at Mulberry Gardens. Formed in March 2007 as a collaborative effort between the Southington Youth Services Director, Calendar House Executive Director and Program Coordinator, the goal of this group is to provide support for grandparents/relatives who are currently acting in a parental role. “Grandparents Raising Grandchildren” remains an open group, co-facilitated by other grandparents. Any Southington grandparent or relative caregiver is welcome to attend.

Together with Plainville, Farmington and Southington Senior Centers and Youth Services from each respective town, we held our third annual Tri-town Grandparents Raising Grandchildren

Conference entitled, “The Not-So Empty Nest”. The conference was held during the April vacation in order to allow grandchildren to participate in activities and special workshops, including “Art Expressions”, cooking, fun and games. Grandparents/relative caregivers attended several informative workshops entitled, “Understanding Legal Issues of Guardianship, Custody, Grandparent Rights”, “Husky Healthcare”, “Real Life /Real Talk: Communicating with Kids on Handling Life’s Stick Situations”, and “What Do You Want to Be When You Grow Up?”. The conference ended with a family Zumba class.

Exploring new ways in which to maintain a healthy lifestyle is very important to our Calendar House members. In response to sustained interest in health and wellness programs, Calendar House provided educational programs throughout the year. Bagel Breakfasts were offered with topics that included; “Alzheimer Awareness and Brain Fitness” facilitated by the Alzheimer’s Association, “Low Vision” facilitated by Vision Dynamics, “Meet the Nurse”, introducing our new RN Clinician, Victoria Moore, “Stress Management”, facilitated by Tori Moore, “Heart Health”, facilitated by Joseph Babiarz, MD, “Fall Prevention” facilitated by Evelyn McKay, RPT, “G.I. Health”, sponsored by CT Center for Healthy Aging, “Women and Investing”, presented by Webster Bank, “Dental Health, Dentures and Implants”, facilitated by UCONN Prosthodontic Specialty Dentists, “Tips For Successful Living”, “Caregiver Burnout”, and “Nutrition”, all sponsored by the CT Center for Healthy Aging. Several of these events offered specific screenings for our members such as hearing, balance, blood pressure, memory screening and “brain gym”.

Information, referrals, social services, case management and short-term counseling on a number of issues are all a part of the everyday challenges for our staff here at the Calendar House. The Medicare Part D Prescription Drug Program, now in its 6th year, continues to keep us busy. A steady flow of people still come to Calendar House for assistance in getting on the program. Training workshops and webinars (on-line instruction) were offered for staff. In November, the North Central CT Agency on Aging held a program on Medicare Part D for our members. In addition to Medicare D, many individuals approaching 65 years of age have made requests for Medicare A & B, Medicare Supplemental Insurance and Medicare Advantage (HMO’s) counseling throughout the year. In order to provide assistance to as many individuals as possible before the end of the year, a series of pre-retirement and informational workshops on Medicare, supplemental insurance and other related benefit programs were held. The workshops were facilitated by our Executive Director, Program Coordinator and CHOICES volunteers, providing an overview of the programs. Follow-up appointments were made to further assist individuals in choosing health and prescription plans that best fit their needs.

As of October 1, 2009, the State of CT ConnPACE (pharmaceutical assistance) Program made a significant change in its application process. Individuals 65 and over or those who are totally disabled will now be limited to an open enrollment period that runs from November 15th through December 31st of each year. This corresponds with the Medicare Part D Prescription Drug

Program open enrollment. Those who are new to Medicare may apply with a 3 month window period no more than 31 days prior to receiving Medicare benefits or shortly thereafter.

Over this past year, Calendar House continued to be a field placement site for the Central Connecticut State University Bachelors of Social Work Program. We have been fortunate to have hosted three interns who assisted us with social service programs.

Scams involving seniors continue to be of high concern and are on-going due to the poor economy. Details of current scams are printed in our monthly bulletin in an effort to get the word out to as many seniors as possible.

Calendar House staff members participated in a CPR/AED training session conducted by John Barraço, a qualified instructor, on October 22, 2010. All participants satisfactorily completed the cognitive and performance testing required by the standards of the Coyne First Aid, Inc. Course of Instruction in Basic Life Support. The staff completes this training annually.

The Visiting Nurse Association of Central Connecticut, Inc. provides blood pressure screenings once per month, and a monthly foot clinic. In addition, a Flu Shot Clinic was offered in November, coordinated with the Health Department and assisted by the VNA. Handicap accessibility, more than adequate room space, volunteer assistants and plenty of parking assured a safe and well run venue for the vaccine distribution. Several other health screenings were held, including hearing, memory and cholesterol screenings.

Central Connecticut Senior Health Services, Inc. and its facilities provide a plethora of resources and support to the Calendar House. Monthly blood pressure screenings are provided by the CT Center for Healthy Aging, an extensive Resource and Assessment Center located at The Hospital of Central Connecticut's Bradley and New Britain facilities. The CT Center's "mobile kiosk" staffed by Senior Resource Case Manager Marc Levesque, has "visited" Calendar House on several occasions, with favorable participation. Central Connecticut Senior Health Services, Inc. has also sponsored the majority of our bagel breakfasts, providing speakers and various screenings. In addition, they provide subscriptions to various periodicals for the Calendar House lounge. Their "It's Never 2 Late", user friendly, fun cognitive fitness and activity system that uses computer technology to enhance every aspect of mind, body and spiritual wellness has been available on alternate Fridays at Calendar House.

Our monthly Nurse Clinic, through Mid State Medical Center, continued into its third year. The monthly Nurse Clinic facilitated by Tori Moore, R.N., provides on-site blood pressure checks, health monitoring and referrals, answers questions regarding medications, diet, health-related problems and provides support when an individual needs to talk about specific concerns. In addition, Jackie Hackbarth, R.N. offered a 6 week program entitled "Diet Watch," which offered a private weigh in followed by tips on weight loss and good nutrition.

Calendar House is the intake site for the State of Connecticut's Renter's Rebate Program for people over age 65 and those who are totally disabled. The program, which runs from May 15 – September 15, assisted 433 applicants. Calendar House is also the intake site for the Energy Assistance Program; 265 applications were completed this year. We are also an established site for the AARP/TCE (Tax Counseling for the Elderly) in partnership with the IRS. Over 300 individuals were provided assistance, with most e-filing individual or joint returns. Questions and concerns regarding filing requirements, capital gains/losses, etc. were satisfactorily addressed. It was a very successful season for the entire program statewide, with our district commended again this year on the high percentage of returns filed electronically. Calendar House was specifically commended for excellence in service, minimal errors (primarily software issues), and timely reporting. District, state and regional coordinators, as well as IRS representatives expressed appreciation for the efforts and results produced. Calendar House staff utilizes a core group of trained and dedicated volunteers to assist with these programs.

On October 20, 2010 the Computer Learning Center at Calendar House celebrated its 10th anniversary of bringing computer skills to the senior citizens of Southington. The celebration was conducted in the main hall where over 300 people attended and participated. The agenda included a brief history of how the Computer Learning Center was established, recognition of the nine founders, recognition of the role Bob Verderame played in its creation, and a special acknowledgment of its first leader, Frank Ciliberti. Frank's daughter, Robin Segal, attended the event to honor her late father's role in the development of the Computer Learning Center. Peter Freeman, Manager of the Computer Learning Center, detailed the history and brought the group up to date on recent changes, namely the leaving of the SeniorNet Organization. Peter added, "This year we found ourselves ready to venture forward without the support and additional costs associated with our relationship with SeniorNet." Peter detailed the financial impact of this move which resulted in a 67% increase in the Computer Learning Center's revenue and a decrease in per student tuition. Mark White gave an overview of the technical aspects of what we have and what we do. The formal presentation adjourned and the attendees were able to tour the computer lab, observe demonstrations of the courses we offer, and partake in food and refreshment. The event was well received.

The Computer Learning Center continues to expand in many ways. A full complement of computer classes is offered, including several new courses in the past year. Class registrations fill rapidly, and the enthusiastic response is encouraging. Open lab is scheduled on a regular basis with monitors available to assist users. In addition, two computer stations with Internet access are available outside the lab itself, so that seniors can search the web and access e-mail at their convenience. Our volunteer staff, all of whom are Calendar House members, continue to be the most valuable asset in opening the world of computers to Southington's senior citizens.

The Computer Learning Center has implemented an easy procedure for members to request e-mail delivery of the monthly newsletter. This has been helpful in reducing the number of newsletters mailed, and the corresponding mailing cost.

The Computer Learning Center was fortunate to receive a grant from the Central Region Employees Community Service Fund of AT&T in the amount of \$650. These funds were used towards the purchase of upgrade components, as well as a new projector and screen.

A recent survey of senior centers showed that Southington leads the state in active members using the computer facilities. Delegations from other senior centers have visited our Computer Learning Center. Our continued alliance with the communities of Newington, Plainville, West Hartford, Wethersfield and Windsor Locks enable towns with insufficient numbers to be supported in their efforts to increase their enrollment and strengthen participation in computer learning classes at their sites. This has proved to be a valuable cooperative effort and has had no impact on our workload or budget.

Calendar House social events during the year included: Italian Night, the Annual Holiday Party at the Aqua Turf, a St. Patrick's Dinner and Country Western Night. "Hot Dog Specials" were held on a quarterly basis, featuring a hot dog, bag of chips and pickle, followed by Bingo with prizes.

Calendar House offered many other special events that included: two events under our pavilion; a Chicken Dinner Picnic, as well as our seventh annual Pig Roast. Both events included entertainment as well as horseshoes and bocce. A new social event was held in September, "Celebration of Traditions and Heritage", featuring ethnic cuisine and entertainment by international concert cellist, Thirzah Bendokas. Other activities held were performances by "Elvis & Ann Margaret", "The Best Senior Show in CT." and "Fantango". Calendar House also had informational visits for our members from State Senator Joe Markley, Congressman John Larson, and Southington Probate Judge Matt Jalowiec.

Special Group sports activities included: a men's golf league at Hawk's Landing Golf Course, complete with a twenty week schedule, banquet and two picnics; badminton group that meets two days a week and billiards. Our billiard players have participated in tournaments with other senior centers including Bloomfield and West Hartford. Our bocce league enjoyed both fall and spring sessions. Calendar House continues to benefit from the generous donation of a new T.V. and additional Wii console. Bloomfield Senior Center visited Calendar House in July for a Wii Bowling Tournament. The addition of a new ping-pong table has proved to be popular with ping-pong sessions are held three times weekly.

Our Membership Associations Board of Directors and Trustees continue to work with the staff at Calendar House to present a variety of social and educational programs, familiarize members with the function of our membership committee, and provide a forum for our seniors to express their needs and give valuable input/feedback on Calendar House policies and programs. Our membership meetings also provide an opportunity for members to meet and socialize with one another, including the celebration of birthdays with cake, coffee and tea. Many of the special events previously listed were held in conjunction with our Membership Meeting. Due to our new "big screen" our members were able to enjoy the movies "Letters to Juliet," and "It's a

Wonderful Life.” Our June membership meeting had a fantastic turn out for the opportunity to hear from our new Town Manager, Mr. Garry Brumback who replaced Mr. John Weichsel, our former Town Manager of 44 years. We wish Mr. Weichsel the best.

Calendar House sponsors a variety of day and extended trips throughout the year. Some of these trips included: “Double Play Lobsters ‘n Luck” at Mohegan Sun and George’s of Galilee, “Nantucket Rail and Sail”, “Taste of Germany” in the Catskills, “Mohegan Sun Overmight”, the Broadway play “Wicked”, and “Pompeii, the Exhibit”.

In the spirit of cooperation, our facility has been made available to various community organizations in order to establish and continue ongoing connections. UNICO, Knights of Columbus, Lions Club, the Southington High School Robotic Team, Fire Engine Company 1 have all sponsored breakfasts at the Calendar House. The American Legion Ladies Auxiliary hosted a statewide seminar at Calendar House. Zion Lutheran Church held their second Annual Dinner at Calendar House. The Orchard Valley Garden Club held their annual plant sale in May at Calendar House and also very generously donated and planted a number of plants to help beautify our grounds. Under the supervision of Sgt. Lowell DePalma, the Police Explorers Club held a ziti supper. T.O.P.S., (Taking off Pounds Sensibly) holds weekly meetings at our facility, and A.A.R.P. continues to hold their monthly Board of Directors Meetings at Calendar House as well. Holiday parties were hosted by A.R.C. of Southington and Flanders West Apartments. The majority of these events are attended and thoroughly enjoyed by many of the Calendar House members.

Our senior lunch program, known as the Senior Community Café, provides a well balanced, nutritious meal to the senior population Monday through Friday. During fiscal year 2010/11 the Center served 7,373 meals over 235 days. This is an average of 32 meals per day served, while at the same time providing a friendly atmosphere where seniors may meet new friends. In July our seniors enjoyed a combined lunch program with the Plainville Senior Center followed by Bingo.


The Elderly Volunteer Work Program has completed its tenth year. The program offers assistance in the form of community service while providing seniors with a monetary stipend.

With authorized supervision from their facility, residents from The Summit at Plantsville and the Southington Care Center, as well as residents from Mulberry Gardens and The Orchards at Southington, the Town’s assisted living facilities, are welcome to participate in our social events. In addition, clients of ARC are also welcome, and have been using the Center, supervised by ARC staff. Transportation through our Dial-A-Ride may be arranged for these events, thereby extending our outreach programs to ensure a continued feeling of self worth within a friendly environment.

As our membership increases, Calendar House becomes more active and exciting. The combination of recreational and social services offered, provides a plenitude of possibilities for our town's senior population.

The Senior Citizens Commission, Executive Director, Staff and Membership Association continue to pursue our mission statement by implementing new activities. Calendar House will remain a focal point for our seniors and will remain fully committed to providing a variety of high quality programs and services responsive to the needs and concerns of our senior population.

Respectfully submitted,


Earl Temchin, Chairman



**Southington Community Services
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**Annual Report
July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011**

**The mission statement of Southington Community Services (SCS) is:
To assist and empower Southington residents.**

Southington Community Services (SCS) is located in the Old Milldale Firehouse #3 at 91 Norton Street in the Plantsville section of Southington. The SCS hours of operation are from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. The office is also available for emergency services after hours through the Southington Police and Fire Department. The office consists of two full time employees, six seasonal employees, and over forty volunteers.

Three funds were established for SCS in 2011.

- **Their Vision:** This fund was established at the Community Foundation of Greater New Britain by Janet Mellon, Kaye Davis and Teri Javier to honor Kathy Reinhard, Peter Veronneau and Stuart Estra for all they have done and continue to do for the Southington Community.
- **Inside Rebecca's Bag:** This fund was established at the Main Street Community Foundation to honor Rebecca Michlin for the way she improved the school programs sponsored by SCS.
- **Kristen's Wishes:** This fund was established at the Main Street Community Foundation in memory of Kristen Warner.

Listed below are services provided, but not limited to:

Food

- ✓ Completed our second year of the collaboration of SCS and Bread For Life for the Community Food Pantry, located in the bay at 91 Norton Street.
- ✓ The Community Food Pantry participation increased by 9% to a total of 694 Southington families.
- ✓ Once a month our office is a satellite location for the WIC (Women, Infants & Children) Program for Southington residents. WIC provides specific nutritious foods and nutritional education to eligible pregnant women, postpartum women, infants and children up to age five.
- ✓ This was the third year SCS sponsored the Connecticut Farmers Market in Plantsville. We were able to distribute Farmer Market Coupons from the Department of Agriculture for seniors and from FoodShare for families.
- ✓ In addition to staple foods, frozen meats are available through FoodShare along with bread and pastry being provided daily from local supermarkets.

Energy Assistance

1. Federal Energy Assistance

Deliverable Fuel	September to mid March
Non-Deliverable Fuel	November to mid April
Heat Included in the rent	January to mid April

Items needed to apply for the above energy assistance:

- Last four (4) weeks pay stubs/income of everyone in the household
- Social Security numbers and dates of birth of everyone in the household
- Bank Statements showing balances of all bank accounts
- Heat/utility bill
- Rent receipt (only if heat is included in the rent)

2. Year Round Emergency Energy Assistance

Items needed to apply for assistance:

- Proof of income
- Utility bill
- Current bank statement

Housing

- Eviction/Foreclosure: Work in partnership with the Town Manager, the Town Attorney and the Highway Department on local evictions to make sure the Fair Housing policy and procedures are followed. More importantly, SCS works to prevent the eviction or foreclosure if at all possible.
- Shelters: Assist residents in finding and getting transportation to a shelter.

School Programs

- Smart Start: This program prepares Southington students entering grades K-12 with new backpacks filled with needed supplies. This program was successfully coordinated for the third year by two Southington High School students, Ashley Zerbe and Melissa Reid. Three-hundred and thirty students received backpacks this year filled with new school supplies, a gift card to be used for additional school supplies and a gift certificate for a free haircut.
- Summer School Classes: SCS paid for 14 Southington students to attend required summer classes.

Holiday Programs

- Thanksgiving Food Baskets: 575 were distributed in 2010.
- Christmas Food Baskets: 614 were delivered in 2010.

- Family Christmas Party: 200 children and their families enjoyed a holiday party, which included a meal, games, crafts and a visit from Santa at the Aqua Turf Club. This event is sponsored by Calvanese Foundation, Realty 3 Carroll & Agostini and SCS.
- Christmas Shopping Party: 350 children and their families enjoyed this party where children were able to pick out gifts for their parents or caregivers, while also enjoying a family supper sponsored by the Rotary Club of Southington, SCS and the Calendar House.
- Christmas Gifts: 1,465 Southington individuals (614 families) were adopted in 2010.
- Children's Easter Baskets: 320 baskets were distributed in 2011.

Camp Programs

- Summer Camp: SCS sponsored 55 seniors for one week at CONNRI (Connecticut and Rhode Island) Lodge (a four day over night senior camp) and 15 children at Camp CONNRI (a five day overnight children's camp) in Ashford, CT.
- Southington Parks and Recreation Day Camp: SCS qualified approximately 15 Southington children for a discount at the summer camp.

Assistance with State Programs and Forms

SCS is an Earn Benefits site in coordination with Connecticut Association of Human Services (CAHS) and the Community Foundation of Greater New Britain. Earn Benefits is an online service that allows the office to see if residents are eligible for any of the following programs with one application:

- SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program)
- Care 4 Kids
- EITC (Earned Income Tax Credit)
- Energy Assistance
- Healthy Start (Insurance for low income pregnant women)
- Husky A and Husky B (Insurance for parents, caregivers and children)
- Medicare for Low Income Adults
- Medicaid for Elderly and Disabled
- TANF (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families)
- WIC (Women, Infants and Children)

Respectfully Submitted,

Janet Mellon
Director of Southington Community Services

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2010-2011 ANNUAL REPORT of the SOUTHTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION/ INLAND WETLANDS and WATERCOURSES AGENCY

The Southington Conservation Commission/ Inland Wetlands Agency is the primary agency responsible for the regulatory review of development proposals which involve the filling or alteration of wetlands and watercourses. In reviewing these applications, it is the Commission's responsibility to assess the potential environmental impact associated with each development proposal and determine whether such proposal represents the most suitable alternative. The Conservation Commission also provides recommendations to the Planning and Zoning Commission on applications involving the filling of floodplain areas.

A total of 12 wetland applications were filed during the Fiscal Year 2010-2011. During this period, a favorable recommendation was given to 3 floodplain filling applications. The Conservation Commission approved 3 amendments to the Inland Wetland Maps.

In addition to performing regulatory functions, the Conservation Commission also serves to educate and enhance public awareness concerning the preservation of Southington's natural resources. Every year the dedicated members of the Commission give out Blue Spruce seedlings to local residents as part of the Arbor Day celebration.

The officers and membership of the Commission during the 2010-2011 fiscal year is listed above.

Respectfully Submitted,



David Lavalley

Environmental Planner/ Inland Wetland Administrator
Conservation Commission/ IW Agency



Town of Southington, Economic Development ANNUAL REPORT, 2010-2011

The fiscal year of 2010-2011 was characteristically similar to the previous year for the Town of Southington and the Economic Development Office. The Town was notified by The Hartford that they will transfer 550 employees out of the last remaining leased building in Southington into company owned space in Hartford and Simsbury by September of 2012. Our office attempts to mitigate any adverse impact by striving to continue its program of attraction and expansion as evidenced with the success of Industrial Drive, the new Triano Drive and the various new companies relocating to Southington, as well as the additional space added to existing facilities. Interest continues along a range of business including manufacturing, retail and service industries and is evident with Yarde Metal's addition of a new 200,000 sf warehouse and Sno-White Power Equipment's move into Southington from Plainville into their new 9,400 sf facility.

Southington received a STEAP Grant in the amount of \$250,000 which was quickly put to use by assisting with the creation of another new industrial park, the nine lot South Farms Industrial Park. This heavy industrial subdivision quickly led Southington's industrial development activity with Planning & Zoning approvals for SRS National for a 25,000 sf trucking facility, Strollo Brothers Towing for a 5,000 sf towing facility, Meade Landscaping for a 4,000 sf facility and Dlugos Tree Service for a 2,500 sf service facility. Malconn Towing has a lot under contract and has an application forthcoming before the Planning and Zoning Commission. Construction activity on Industrial Drive included Donati Contracting's 10,000 square foot building, Aparo Motors 7,000 square foot building and Dee Zee Ice, LLC's 12,350 square foot ice manufacturing facility bringing 13 jobs into Southington.

The Southington Downtown Renaissance effort continues its progress with the addition of new restaurants including Mainely Fish and K. Gees. Additionally, the town applied for a \$6.3 million state grant for contamination remediation pertaining to the Greenway Commons project. The full amount of the request was denied, however the developers have received 1.5 million for demolition and consideration of a \$3 million remediation grant is pending. Meridian Development Partners continues with their interest in developing the 14 acre site.

Plantsville's center continues its momentum with the extension of the Rails to Trails Linear Park to Cheshire. Dean Michanczyk owner of Dean's Stove and Spa and The Hearthstone Pub, is putting the final touches on a new thirty-five space municipal lot. Additionally, Zingarella's Restaurant is near completion of the redevelopment of 83 West Main Street further complimenting the progress transpiring within Plantsville's downtown area.

The Economic Development Office continues its effort to bring contaminated property back to the tax rolls. The town received a \$100,000 site assessment grant to provide an evaluation of the former Beaton & Corbin property on North Main Street. This information shall assist with potential remediation and redevelopment of the site. Additionally, the Town Council granted Calco Construction a Contamination Abatement to provide for the remediation and redevelopment of the former Forestville Industrial Plating Company (FIPCO) site on Queen Street. The proposed redevelopment shall allow for a 30,000 square foot retail building on the site.

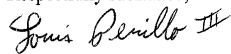
The Economic Development Office resumed the US Passport application service at Town Hall upon the termination of the activity by the probate office. Town Clerk Leslie Cotton proposed the idea to maintain the activity as a source of revenue to the town. Tiffany Atkins administers the applications as an accommodation to area residents and potential draw to the area.

A summary of activities and projects initiated or completed as follows:

- Aparo Motors 7,000 sf building on Industrial Drive
- American Eagle Federal Credit Union redevelopment on Queen Street
- Donati Contracting's new 10,000 sf building on Industrial Drive
- Dee Zee Ice LLC, new 12,350 sf ice manufacturing building on Industrial Drive
- Sno-White Power Equipment's new 9,400 sf building on Townline Road
- BJ's Wholesale new 110,000 sf retail building on Spring Street bringing 120 new jobs
- Brunetto T-Shirts new 4,200 sf building on Captain Lewis Drive
- Lazy Lane Industrial LLC's 25,000 sf heavy industrial facility on Lazy Lane
- Yard Metals 200,000 sf warehouse on Newell Street
- Library Parking Lot Expansion Project provided in part by \$222,500 STEAP Grant
- \$250,000 STEAP Grant
- \$100,000 Assessment Grant
- US Passport Application service
- Networking Breakfast and Golf Event
- Southington High School Manufacturing and Construction Career Expo committee member

The Economic Development Office continuously strives to proactively create awareness and opportunities for employment and tax revenue growth to improve Southington's commercial and industrial tax base.

Respectfully submitted,



Louis Perillo III

Economic Development Coordinator



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August 19, 2011

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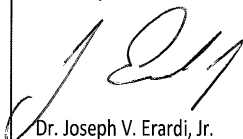
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Dear Mr. Brumbuck,

Attached you will find a copy of our 2010-2011 Annual Report that was approved at the Board of Education meeting held on Thursday, August 18, 2011.

Sincerely,



Dr. Joseph V. Erardi, Jr.
Superintendent of Schools

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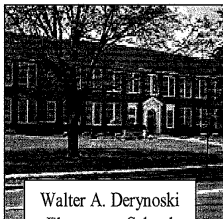
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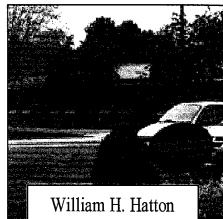
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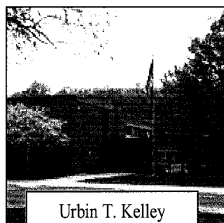
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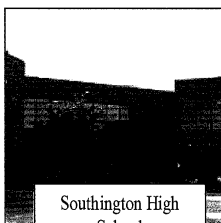
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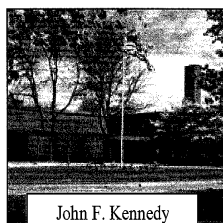
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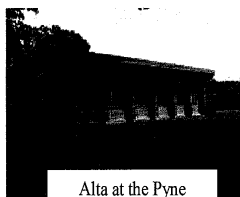
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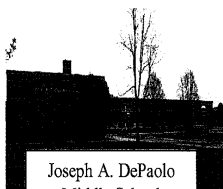
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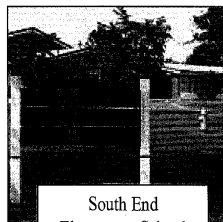
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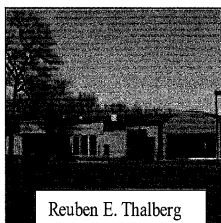
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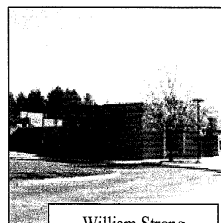
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The 2010-2011 school year, despite an unstable economy, was illustrated by program growth, increased test scores, and improvement within the district's infrastructure.

The grant-funded Family Resource Center operated in all eight schools and served as a pre-cursor to the 2011-2012 Extended Day Kindergarten Program. The Family Resource Center, the Extended Day Kindergarten Program, combined with the Early Childhood Collaborative partnership will position the district well for readiness skills for both numeracy and literacy.

The ongoing literacy partnership with Columbia University has, once again, been validated with measurable Grade K-8 scores improving for the fourth consecutive year. Under the leadership of the Assistant Superintendent and the Language Arts Coordinator, the Southington schools remain a learning laboratory for other districts to model both reading and writing.

The district's middle school Unified Arts Program was completely redesigned to include 21st Century skills for all youngsters. A two-year study resulted in significant curricula changes in Family and Consumer Science, Technology Education, Physical Education, Music, and Art.

Southington High School began to implement the recommendations from the 2010 self-study done by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges. Significant committee work was done with the examination of the school's present structure and the way course offerings are offered to students.

The district's public report card remained impressive at all levels with student achievement measuring well above state average in nearly all annual tests. The 2010-2011 school year found students in Grades 3-8 being measured with their peers throughout the state by their performance on the Connecticut Mastery Test and students in Grade 10 taking the Connecticut Academic Performance Test. In addition, Southington High School was recognized as one of less than 400 high schools in the country for its outstanding work with Advanced Placement courses.

Plantsville Elementary School and South End Elementary School, in their first full year after construction, serve the community as model school projects that were done on time, under budget, and in partnership with their neighborhood.

Middle School facilities, after over a decade of conversation, will move forward to elected officials to endorse an \$85 million renovate-to-new project at both Joseph A. DePaolo and John F. Kennedy Middle Schools.

Town partnerships were highlighted by school and town officials collaborating on a consolidation of the present Board of Education building, the closing of North Center School, and the need to move from the Gura building. Innovative, cost saving planning will result in the 49 Beecher Street property being sold, and the school offices moving with town offices into the now empty North Center School.

Partnerships were, once again, expanded as stakeholders did extraordinary work to support school funding and student safety. The Southington Education Foundation (SEF), incorporated in May 2009, offered over \$35,000 of mini-grants to staff. The safety umbrella for students was widened with both staff and board members remaining active in the Southington's Town-wide Effort to Promote Success (STEPS) Program and the Activate Southington initiative.

Through private donations, the school board expanded the Before School Breakfast Program to all elementary and middle schools.

Celebration was continuous throughout the year as students were recognized on the state, regional, and national level. Staff recognition was highlighted by Jessica Bruenn, a Grade 5 teacher at Strong Elementary School, being chosen as the district's "Teacher of the Year" and the staff member who will represent Southington in Connecticut's state competition. The district also celebrated the performance of 13 employees with its annual Profiles in Professionalism Program and ended the year by recognizing scholarship and leadership of students, staff, and parents by celebrating the Scholars Luncheon at Southington High School and the first annual Parent Volunteer Luncheon.

Due to the economy, the Southington Board of Education continued to implement cost-saving and cost-avoidance measures to maintain the district's Operational Plan. The Board continued to be recognized throughout the state for innovative practice.

Their work included:

- Encouraging community members to assist with funding by embracing the Southington Education Foundation.
- Empowering and embracing parent groups to assist with cultural and enrichment opportunities.
- Positioning government short-term grant funding to leverage the 2011-2012 school year.
- Re-negotiating a three-year contract with the Southington Administrators Association that resulted in all administrators agreeing to a zero percent (0%) increase for the 2011-2012 school year.
- Re-negotiating a six month, zero percent (0%) wage freeze with unaffiliated employees.

Southington has dedicated elected and appointed leaders that value education. In concert with empowered parents, community partners, and a staff that fully understands their role with children, the school district continues to be a defining attribute to the town of Southington

Despite a district that educates nearly 7,000 youngsters, our success model is only as fruitful as truly meeting the needs of...one student at a time.

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**Assistant Superintendent
Curriculum and Instruction**

Curriculum and Instruction

Curriculum and Instruction is the lifeline of our educational program. Our efforts continue to be driven by the Continuous Improvement Process in the Southington Public Schools.

Our accomplishments include:

Theory of Action

If we develop adaptive leadership, committed to collaborative learning, at all levels of the school system then we will be able to identify and implement effective instructional practices and all students will achieve.

Teacher Professional Development

- **Standards-Based Report Card**

- **Background:**

- A Standards-Based Report Card was developed and piloted over the last two years at the elementary level. This report card will be implemented in all elementary schools this year.

- **Goal:**

- Teachers will receive professional development in how to effectively implement this report card including effective assessment and communication of student progress toward grade level standards. The Middle School Standards-Based Report Card Committee will be developed and initial work started.

- **Progress:**

- Parent information sessions were held in every elementary school prior to the end of October. Teacher professional development occurred for all teachers in August, September and October. Sample report cards were posted online and sent home to parents ahead of time. Report cards were implemented in all elementary schools. The Report Card Committee continued to review teacher and parent feedback and consider revisions and improvements for the 2011-2012 school year. A Middle School Standards-Based Report Card Committee was organized and has met throughout the spring to undertake the initial steps in revising the middle school report card.

- **Readers Workshop/Writers Workshop Columbia Partnership**

- **Background:**

- This professional development is designed to support the training, rollout and implementation of the workshop model of language arts instruction for Grades K-6.

- **Goal:**

- An Advanced Institute for Readers Workshop in Grades 3-6 was held July, 2010. Professional development for middle school language arts faculty was planned for the 2010-2011 school year.

- **Progress:**

An Advanced Institute focusing on conferencing and other strategies was successfully held in July of 2010 along with supporting laboratory study days held at elementary schools during the year. Middle school workshops were held throughout the year including the August Professional Development Days where the Columbia consultants worked exclusively with middle school teachers.

- **Data-Driven Instructional Planning**

- **Background:**

This work at the middle schools focused on bringing both middle schools to the same level of practice in examining student achievement to plan for effective instructional practices for all students.

- **Goal:**

- Instructional Rounds were piloted at DePaolo Middle School during the 2010-2011 school year under the name “Teacher to Teacher.”
- August Professional Development Days will continue to focus on data and instruction.
- Unified Arts faculty will be piloting new instructional plans and rubrics/assessments focused on 21st Century process learning skills.
- EIP/SRBI will focus on effectively integrating grade level team leadership with content area expertise.
- Initial training seminars for Readers Workshop will continue.

- **Progress:**

- August Professional Development Days at the middle schools and high school focused on using targeted data for instructional planning.
- Unified Arts faculty in the middle schools implemented newly designed units emphasizing 21st Century skills and constructivist teaching.
- Instructional Rounds were implemented with teachers at DePaolo Middle School.

- **Co-teaching**

- **Background:**

This initiative implemented co-teaching on all teams at both middle schools. Initial training was completed in the spring of 2008. On-site coaching and follow up training occurred in the school year 2008-2009.

- **Goal:**

Continued coaching and support by SERC, as necessary. Finalize SERC evaluation process.

- **Progress**

Final steps in evaluation completed in November, 2010. The final report is anticipated by end of the year.

Administrator Professional Development

- **Leading Continuous Improvement**

- **Background:**

- This work will focus on developing both the processes and skills associated with leading a process of reflective practice and continuous improvement. This initiative included the development of a District Leadership Institute in the summer as well as the continuation of literature reads and Administrative Rounds.

- **Goal:**

- Begin planning for sustainable improvement. Focus on implementation and understanding of the district mission as a platform for understanding the professional work and goals of the district.

- **Progress:**

- The Third Annual Administrative Retreat was completed in August, 2010. The area of district mission implementation and understanding at all levels of the district, especially the classroom, emerged from this retreat as this year's focus. The mission was used as the cornerstone for sustainability and transfer of ownership. The Connecticut Center for School Change utilized to conduct pre and post assessments of mission Implementation and understanding across constituency groups.

- **Technology**

- **Background:**

- In order to support the district goal of increased effective usage of technology across all areas, professional development will be developed and provided to increase the use of technology by the administrative team.

- **Goal:**

- Course or grade level syllabus posted online by all schools and levels. School and district CIP plans and updates posted online by all schools and central office. Continued push for teacher websites. Examine interactive course support software such as E-Blackboard.

- **Progress:**

- SMART Board Systems were successfully installed in all fifth and fourth grade classrooms.
 - Course and grade level syllabi were posted on school websites.

- **Administrative Rounds**

- **Background:**

- Administrative Rounds is a model of professional development focused on developing leadership skills through program visitations and analysis.

- **Goal:**

- Development of collegial support role in the preparation and debrief of Rounds. Pair up principals during the preparation and debrief to allow for increased role and ownership by the administrative team with an eye toward sustainability of Rounds as well as increased opportunity for

learning. Shift focus of Rounds from accountability to planning for sustainability as a leadership skill.

- **Progress:**
Administrative Rounds were revised to refocus Rounds on the district mission at the school and classroom level. New supporting forms and structures implemented. Collegial support added for planning and debrief of Rounds. Half-day shadowing of students implemented for all administrators focused on the district mission through the eyes and experiences of a student.

- **Response to Intervention**

- **Background:**
Last year's work focused on strengthening the district Early Intervention Processes (EIP) and then overlapping these processes with RTI to make sure that it meets the guidelines as outlined by the state. The district EIP process will serve as Southington's RTI model.
- **Goal:** RTI/EIP processes and structures need to be clarified at the high school. Continued coaching and support at the elementary level. Leadership training and implementation at the middle level. SERC will provide professional development at middle school level to improve implementation. The focus for this year must be at the high school level and establishment of a framework of SRBI structures there.
- **Progress**
The high school Professional Development Day in August included one-day training from SERC on SRBI/RTI. Teacher leaders for this process were identified and sent out for training. Professional development continued throughout year on best practices and structures at the high school level for effective implementation of SRBI.

- **NEASC**

- **Background:**
The high school completed its NEASC review last spring.
- **Goal:**
Support the high school work to prioritize and plan for a response to the final NEASC report.
- **Progress:**
Response to NEASC report and timeline mapped out with high school principal who continues to work with high school leadership and faculty on planning and implementation. Goals and timelines were shared with the Board at its annual retreat.

Parent and Community Partnerships

- **Pioneering Healthy Communities**

- **Background:**

- This is a two-year grant held by the YMCA focused on improving community health and wellness with an emphasis on decreasing childhood obesity. The grant focuses on improving environment and policy. The school district is an active partner in the grant.

- **Goal:**

- Revise district wellness policy with a special focus on increased opportunity for quality nutritional practices and physical activity.
 - Develop nutritional plan that recommends appropriate nutritional practices for student-athletes as part of athletic program. Support this plan through the high school and middle school cafeterias.
 - Explore the opportunities for community vegetable gardens on the grounds of neighborhood elementary schools as a way to increase access and exposure to healthy foods.

- **Progress**

- Community introduction and mini-grant awards were completed. School Wellness Policy Committee formed and revision of policy started.

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Director of Business & Finance

Business Office

The Business Office has accomplished the following items during the 2010-2011 school year.

Contract Negotiations

The Director of Business and Finance worked closely with the Southington Board of Education negotiating team and the Board Attorney in contract negotiations with the Southington Administrators Association (SAA). The Board and the SAA union have agreed to a three-year contract that will expire on June 30, 2014. She began working closely with the Board's negotiating team and attorney in continued negotiations with AFSCME and the School Nurses regarding their contracts expiring on June 30, 2011.

Wellness Initiative

The Director of Business and Finance has been working in her role as a member of the Self Insurance Committee on promoting a new wellness initiative for the Southington town employees. The Self Insurance Committee continues to work with the Southington Health Awareness Council (SHAC); however, the committee has established a new relationship with the YMCA and rolled out a pilot wellness initiative program in the fall of 2010. The Business Office coordinated enrollment and material distribution to staff. The results of the pilot were shared with the Self Insurance Committee in June 2011.

Grant Management

The Business Office was responsible for handling close to \$2,000,000 in funding from both the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) and Department of Children and Families (DCF) Drug-free Community Grant for the Southington Town-wide Effort to Promote Success (STEPS) over the past year. The Director of Business and Finance was asked to be the Grant Manager by the Youth Services Director for the town regarding the Drug-Free Community Grant. The ARRA funds had added another layer of accountability on grant management because the money is coming from the federal government and passing through the State Department of Education. New audit requirements will be required on these funds.

School Lunch / Breakfast Program

The Director of Business and Finance oversaw the expansion of the Breakfast Program to all eight (8) elementary schools in the fall of 2010 and a pilot Breakfast Program in the middle schools in the spring of 2011. She worked closely with the Food Service Director and School Principals to roll out the new program.

Publication

The Superintendent required all central office cabinet members to write an article and submit it to be published. The Director of Business and Finance wrote an article entitled, "*Finding Funding: Community Partnership and Public Education*" that was published in the April 2011 edition of School Business Affairs, which is distributed internationally to School Business Officials.

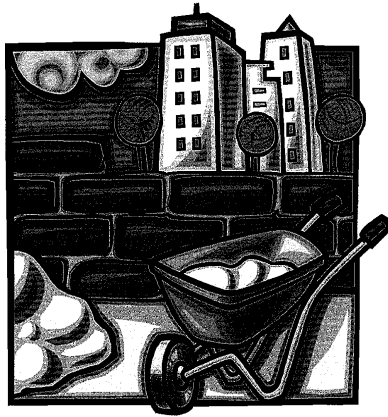
Budget

The 2011-2012 Board of Education Operating Budget was approved without cutting any staff or programs, unlike many other school districts in the state. This was accomplished, in part, by the careful planning of grant utilization and commitment of the importance of education by town officials.

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Director of Operations

Operations Office

▪ Construction

- Plantsville Elementary School Renovation and Addition:
 - Staff and students returned in August to begin their first full school year in the “renovated as new” facility.
 - During the summer break, final installations and punchlist work was completed.
- South End Elementary School New Construction:
 - Staff and students returned in August to begin their first full school year in the “new” South End School. The building was previously only occupied the last three months of the 2009-2010 school year.
 - Remnants of the former school were removed from site. A newly constructed parent drop-off, bus drop-off and parking lot were built during the summer break.
 - The Southington Park & Recreation Summer Youth Program, normally held at South End Elementary, was temporarily moved to J. A. DePaolo Middle School.
- Facility Advisory Committee:
 - The Superintendent's Facility Committee continued to review short and long term building needs of the town.
 - A Request for Proposal (RFP) for the renovation of North Center School to provide office space for several municipal and school administrative offices was responded to by four developers. Following negotiations, the project was awarded to Borghesi Developers of Torrington. Presentations to town officials took place through the spring of 2011.
 - The Committee forwarded to the Board of Education a recommendation to “renovate as new” with expansion of the two existing middle schools.
- Middle School Projects:
 - The J. F. Kennedy and J. A. DePaolo Middle School “Renovate as New Projects” concept was approved by the Board of Education on September 9, 2010. The Board hired Fletcher Thompson to perform the feasibility study for both schools.
 - The Education Specifications were presented and approved by the Board on May 12, 2011. Fletcher Thompson made presentations of conceptual plans and projected cost to the Town Council, Board of Finance and Planning & Zoning as required prior to the planned referendum in November.

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▪ **Education Capital Building Committee**

- The last funded project was asbestos flooring removal and reinstallation of VCT tile at U. T. Kelley Elementary School. This was completed during the summer of 2010.

▪ **Building Maintenance – Health and Safety**

- The winter of 2010-11 was especially difficult for New England. Numerous roofs collapsed in the State due to heavy snow loads during January and February. The district's maintenance and custodial staff, contracted outside labor and heavy equipment operators logged 1,884 hours over a 16-day period removing snow from the district's 16 roofs.
- The district tested and evaluated five lines of cleaning products and selected one to be installed during June 2011 meeting the July 1st deadline for implementation of Public Act No. 09-81 Green Cleaning Products in Schools.
- The Southington Public Schools, with support from the Town of Southington and the Activate Southington Organization, participated in a successful Safe Routes to School Program at J. A. DePaolo Middle School on June 16, 2011. The Walk and Bike to School Day Program took place under sunny skies. This program was the first step by Southington officials to apply for Federal Aid to create safer routes to school.

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Personnel Manager

Personnel Office

The Personnel Office continues to provide the necessary services to obtain the most “*highly qualified*” staff in order to support our student population as well as support current staff in all aspects of their employment. The goal of the department is to provide these services in a friendly, professional “*customer service*” manner.

During 2010-2011, we enhanced our hiring process with the addition of an online application system called the alio® Applicant Portal. The system, itself, has had its share of difficulties; however, we are in the process of upgrading the software, which should eliminate the problems we encountered this year and make the process much easier for candidates to use as well as for administrators.

Some specific work that was accomplished within the Personnel Office includes:

Team Program

This year, the Personnel Office, in conjunction with certified staff, was able to assist with 45 student teachers from area colleges. In addition, the TEAM Program was initiated. This program replaces BEST for new teaching staff. Southington has elected to do all module paper reviews in-house and has established a TEAM Committee with Mrs. Patricia Corvello as the district TEAM Facilitator. This will be an on-going learning process as the State of Connecticut refines the program requirements.

Internships

As we try to do each year, this year we utilized 12 Interns from the University of Bridgeport and Quinnipiac University within our schools. In addition to assisting as substitute teachers, they also worked closely with Principals on special projects. The goal of the university in this program is to give the student a broad experience base as they pursue their degree in education.

Substitute Scheduling

This year was particularly difficult in the area of substitute coverage. Over the past few years, obtaining an adequate level of available substitutes has been increasingly difficult. Each year, the Personnel Office re-builds the substitute teaching pool because many of the substitutes are hired as permanent teaching staff, which reflects well on the caliber of substitutes that we are employing.

Substitute Training

We continue to hold an annual substitute teacher training in August. During this three-hour session, current and new substitutes were walked through Title IX training, mandated reporting criteria, dress code, and procedural expectations. In addition, they view the mandated “Bloodborne Pathogen and Food Allergy” videos.

Cohort Meetings

The 2010-2011 school year was the fourth year of our retiree cohort and new teacher cohort meetings. We have obtained valuable information and some exceptional mentors for our schools from these meetings.

Workers' Compensation

The Personnel Office continues to coordinate all Workers' Compensation issues. The office is working with CIRMA to ensure accuracy and timely reporting of all employee accidents in the work place. In addition, the Safety Committee is working with CIRMA to obtain training for our administrators to better investigate accident causes and solutions.

Employee Newsletter

This year, the Personnel Office produced four quarterly newsletters. All cabinet members now contribute to the publication. The May 2011 Newsletter edition was distributed via a link on the school system's website. This enabled the Technology Department to gather data on the readership of the document; i.e., who read it and who deleted it without reading. This data will assist us in the production of next year's Newsletters.

Unaffiliated Non-Union / Non-Administrator Handbook

This handbook covers staff members who are not members of a bargaining group and are not administrators. These staff members include the Executive Secretaries, Technology Analysts, Payroll Supervisor, Maintenance Foreman, Food Service Director, Food Service Secretary, Audio-Visual Technician, Hall Monitors and Matrons. The last time this handbook was updated was July 2002. It is currently awaiting Board of Education review.

Continuing Education Unit (CEU) Tracking

This year, the Personnel Office rolled out a new CEU Tracking System. The previous software that the Personnel Office used was originally installed in 1999 and no longer met the requirements of the State of Connecticut Department of Education. The new system, while still in the roll out process, will be user-friendly. By the beginning of the 2011-2012 school year, teachers will be able to access their own "transcripts" so that they can review them at any time. This eliminates the need for staff members to retain a copy of CEU Certificates in case the State decides to audit them. The State of Connecticut has direct access to the data on our certified staff through the system.

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Interim Senior Coordinator

Special Education and Related Services

The Special Education and Related Services administration and staff focused on the following work during the 2010-2011 school year.

IDEA ARRA Grant

The Special Education Office implemented, monitored, and revised the IDEA ARRA grant. This work consisted of coordinating and overseeing purchases and maintaining monitoring documentation in order to use the one-time federal stimulus funds over the time frame ending September 30, 2011. The work additionally included periodic review with the Director of Business and Finance and Assistant Superintendent.

Community Partnerships

The Special Education Department continued to develop and expand the district's involvement with the Early Childhood Collaborative of Southington (ECCS) through attendance at monthly meetings, participation on working committees, and assistance with the coordination, implementation and presentation of workshops and professional development. A Speech and Language Pathologist and Special Education Coordinator presented a workshop to child care and community pre-school providers on education of pre-school students with disabilities. Ongoing collaboration with The Family Resource Center (FRC) continued with our office and the department worked directly with the FRC staff to promote their work for the community.

The Connecticut School-Based Diversion Initiative funding continued to provide professional development and training to district Related Services staff. Throughout the year, staff collaborated with community mental health providers on behalf of children and families. Partnerships between community providers and school staff have been enhanced.

Local businesses have teamed with the Pupil Services Department to provide vocational exploration and employment to students with special needs. This collaboration has resulted in multiple opportunities for job shadowing, vocational training and employment.

Student Achievement

In an ongoing effort to promote student achievement, the Special Education and Related Services staff focused professional development work on co-teaching, progress monitoring, inclusive practices, transition services, and service delivery. In working toward compliance with state mandates, we reviewed, implemented, and monitored time with non-disabled peers' data throughout the year along with the State Performance Plan Indicators. The Unified Theater Program at Southington High School was initiated this year and culminated with a performance in March. This student-run performance involved over 60 students and fostered the interactions of individuals with and without disabilities.

Office Operations

The Special Education Office developed and monitored the 2010-2011 budget including overseeing out-of-district placement tuitions, state agency placements and other unanticipated required services impacting budgetary needs. Ongoing review with the Assistant Superintendent and Director of Business and Finance were held. The Special Education Office staff continued to meet to review operational items including: ongoing state reporting requirements for the State Performance Plan Indicators, PowerSchool reporting needs, school records work, Special Education transportation issues, and budget. The 2011 Extended School Year work began in late winter, with staffing, classroom lists, collection and organization of documents with services beginning on July 5th for over 120 students.

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Director of Technology

Technology

During the 2010-11 school year, focus was on getting technology out to the classrooms and improving school to home communications through our website and mass calling system. Over 61 SMART Boards and 300 computers for both staff and student use were installed. In addition, all teachers were required this year to create a "web presence."

New Technology

Over 300 computers (including teacher laptops and COWS - Computers on Wheels) were installed in the district during the summer of 2010. With the Thalberg donation, 61 SMART Boards and projectors were installed throughout the district. In many cases, this also included a Document Camera and teacher laptop. This donation has had a significant impact in a short amount of time. Both staff and students were excited to hear their classroom would have this equipment. Professional development opportunities have been held throughout the school year. The Technology Department will be trained on troubleshooting this equipment in-house, and our Maintenance Department was recently trained on installation. This will save money that can be spent on purchasing additional SMART Boards, rather than installation.

State Reporting

We continue to use the PowerSchool State Reporting Feature Code to generate information to report to the State for PSIS and the Register Module.

The State of Connecticut has still not re-released the new Active Roster Module. We are continuing to use their previous version. There is no time line as to when this will be updated. The ED540 Graduating Report has had a significant re-write from the software company so it is expected that this will be a smoother process next year. On a weekly basis, we are verifying the information collected by the State with PowerSchool for error checking.

Office 2010

We have upgraded all the office and classroom computers that could be updated. Additional memory needed to be ordered because the new version did slow down the aging computers. All mandatory training is complete at this time; however, we are offering additional afterschool training for teachers to earn CEU's.

Inventory/Ticketing System

Inventory for technology equipment has been completed, and is being uploaded into Web Help Desk. Web Help Desk has been very helpful this year in tracking tickets and assigning work load. We will continue to encourage staff to create a "ticket" instead of phoning or emailing. A replacement plan has been developed and, if funds are approved in the budget, will be funded this year. This, along with some other initiatives such as virtual desktops, will go a long way towards keeping us current.

Web Presence

All teachers were able to complete a web page for their classroom this fall. Technology Analysts spent many hours providing professional development for teachers before and after school, and all teachers have a web presence. Teacher web pages do vary based on their comfort levels with technology. We will continue to train staff on the website to ensure that all staff members have updated sites.

School Messenger

We have upgraded to unlimited calling since we have outgrown the original emergency system. Training is complete and the School Messenger system is being used on a regular basis. High School discipline letters previously sent out from the attendance office (usually 90 a month), are now called instead at a cost savings of approximately \$40/month. Since August, 136,397 calls have been sent out. As expected, the high school has sent out the most calls at over 57,000. Many times, instead of phone calls, these would have been flyers sent home with students.

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Southington High School continued its journey to be the best high school in Connecticut during this school year. The New England Association of Schools and Colleges presented its final report to Southington High School containing a number of commendations and recommendations. The school began addressing the 62 recommendations that came from the report and will continue to attend to these recommendations over the course of the next two years. In addition, our School Improvement Team (SIT) evolved into a group that combined the talent and experiences of the school's department chairs and administrative team. The SIT collaboratively developed a Continuous Improvement Plan (CIP) that cohesively connects both adult learning and student learning. The entire SIT spent a great deal of time in classrooms to observe and discuss patterns of instruction. The improvement plan and observations helped identify professional development needs within the building. Professional development opportunities in the areas of instructional improvement were provided to a significant cadre of teachers, while all of our co-teaching teams received training on best practices.

Another major change to Southington High School came to the scheduling process. For the first time in the history of Southington High School, students were provided with their course schedule for the coming school year in early June. This change will allow students and parents to make any needed schedule changes prior to the first day of school. Therefore, our students may engage in their coursework immediately at the beginning of the school year without considering changes. Finally, Southington High School, in collaboration with district leadership, decided to reduce the number of levels that are offered in the building. Beginning with the 2012-2013 school year, students will be engaged in three levels of learning. Each level will be designed to help students become college and career ready.

Reasons to celebrate were abundant at Southington High School this year. Southington High School was recognized by the College Board™ as one of 300 schools nationwide for increasing the number of students taking Advanced Placement exams while at the same time increasing our overall score on the tests. In conjunction with this award, Southington High School celebrated the acceptance of five new AP courses into the Program of Studies for the 2012-2013 school year. These five courses include three languages (French, Spanish, and Latin), Language and Composition, and Environmental Science. These courses will significantly expand the opportunities for our students in the coming years. An AP Expo was developed and implemented for two of our AP courses, Psychology and Chemistry, allowing our students an authentic opportunity to present their work. We anticipate that this expo will grow significantly over time.

This year, Southington High School also saw a significant increase in its use of technology for instructional purposes. A number of rooms across Southington High School were outfitted with SMART Boards. In addition, a number of our pre-calculus classes embedded TI-Inspire graphing calculator technology in the classroom to significantly increase the learning opportunities for our students. The guidance department worked hard to advertise and take advantage of the Naviance computer program, a significant tool in providing a comprehensive guidance program.

Our faculty and staff gave us much to be proud of as well this year. Four of our staff members received the prestigious distinction as a "Profile in Professionalism" award recipient. Marion Stannard, Zoe Backus, Louise Torvinen, and Mary Beth Moleski were recognized by the Superintendent of Schools for their professionalism. The Southington Education Foundation approved two significant grant applications submitted by our science teachers. The first grant allows our teachers to conduct formative assessments using state-of-the-art technology, while the second grant for a marine biology salt water tank will provide our students with hands-on and meaningful lessons. Dan Hart, a social studies teacher, took on a significant role in the STEPS program and received an award for his good work and dedication to the children of Southington.

Our co-curricular activities continued to be highly successful during this school year as well. The Marching Band continued its dominance in the state and won its fourth straight state title and its fifth title overall. The Jazz Band also competed in the Berklee Jazz Festival this school year and took home fourth place. Southington High School was fortunate enough to begin a Unified Theatre program this year, which led to a highly acclaimed performance loved by all spectators. Students participated in a number of activities throughout the school year. Our Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) saw 23 students attend the State Leadership Conference this year and won 17 awards. Twelve of these students will compete at the National Leadership Conference in Orlando, Florida this summer. DECA had 13 winners at the State Conference. The Southington Chapter of DECA received second place in the Outstanding Chapter of the Year category and Emily Socha, Connecticut DECA President was recognized as the Outstanding Connecticut DECA Officer. The annual art show continues to expand. A new gallery format for displaying artwork, as well as a bigger opening night extravaganza, continues to spotlight not only the students of the SHS Art Department, but works by students of Agriculture Science, Music, and Family and Consumer Science. In addition, a Comic Book Club was started and had great success and our Rugby Club continued to grow in its second year.

Our sports programs had a very successful year highlighted by the Baseball team's second place finish in the Class LL State Tournament and the Boys' Volleyball team appearance in the semi-finals of the Class LL State Tournament. In addition, our Unified Sports teams continued to flourish as it provided a three-sport program and hosted a state-wide CIAC Track meet.

Southington High School is excited about its future and what it has to offer our students. In order to achieve this success, we will continue with our focus on instructional excellence as our standard. With the structure changing in our levels for 2012-2013, we will focus on necessary changes to curricular and instructional practices during the coming school year. Teachers will receive further training on proven instructional strategies that should result in student mastery of rigorous concepts. Our co-teaching teams will receive extensive training during the coming school year. Additionally, curriculum work will be necessary to ensure a positive transition to the new leveling system in the 2012-2013 school year.

In the coming school year we are also excited about launching our Continuous Improvement Plan. The plan was developed over the course of this school year with significant teacher input and a thorough review of past assessment data. Teachers and department coordinators have piloted a number of pieces within the plan this year and are eager to implement the plan this August. The plan includes a number of strategic assessments that will help identify students' strengths and weaknesses in key skill areas. This information will allow for more strategic planning and teaching within each classroom.



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The 2010-2011 school year was very successful. We continued to focus on creating a curriculum that stresses differentiation, critical thinking, problem solving, and real world application.

Teacher collaboration continues to improve along with an increase in team teaching combined with an interdisciplinary approach to creating units. The Alta teaching faculty is strong and effective. Full time staffing in science and social studies has helped maintain consistency and stability.

The Alternative Program is graduating its first tuition student and has a successful partnership with the sending district. Alta will end the school year with 57 students on its roster. Alta will graduate 17 students this year; the highest total in the program's history.

Alta students participated in a number of community service activities during the school year. Students were active with Southington Social Services, Relay for Life, and the Southington Youth Festival initiative. Alta students began the school year focusing on team work and cooperation; they built a float for the Apple Harvest Parade that won first prize. Alta students met the necessary requirements on the CAPT exam and the district-wide assessment. Alta's student population is now ethnically diverse, and its students are respectful of one another. Most students reach out to others with consideration, friendship, and tolerance.

Our School Improvement Plan for the 2011-2012 will focus on developing the Life Skills curriculum. We will continue to improve in the area of skills- based assessment for incoming students in order to identify academic focus in areas of instruction across the four major context areas. Alta will continue to stress meaningful teacher collaboration and relevant professional development opportunities for all staff.

The year culminated with our all school gardening project that continues to build school unity, responsibility, team work and purpose.

We will continue to develop strategies to help support our special education population and create new transition opportunities for graduating seniors.

Alta students and staff combined to raise over \$3,500.00 for the Alta Student Activity Fund. Alta received donations from the following organizations:

- Calvanese Foundation
- YMCA of Southington
- STEPS
- The Hartford
- The Rotary Club of Southington
- Southington Social Services

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Broad Based Enhancements:

The Joseph A. DePaolo Middle School community enjoyed another successful year. The courtyard located in the center of the school building underwent a massive redesign.

Andrew White, a former DePaolo student, proposed a courtyard makeover as his Eagle Scout project. The undertaking included many volunteers from within the school and community. Together, the project encompassed removing overgrown shrubbery and trees, laying pavers with mosaic stones created by the school's Smashing Planters Club, and planting specimen flowers. Additionally, Adam's Water Gardens redesigned the pond and waterfall as well as added accent water plants. Overall, the space has been transformed into an outdoor classroom/sitting area for all to enjoy and be proud of their accomplishment.

Celebrations:

DePaolo's motto of "Catch Students Being Good" continued in a variety of forms. Student academic and behavioral achievement was celebrated throughout the school year. The following is a small sample of formal events and the respective number of students recognized.

- Honor Roll: There were 3,012 students recognized over the course of the first three semesters. Students were identified by high honors or honors dependent on the semester grading.
- Students of the Month: There were 120 students nominated over the course of 10 months. Students were nominated by teachers based on both academic achievement and citizenship.
- Principal Bagel Breakfast: Nine breakfasts were held over the course of the academic year. Students were invited to have bagels and juice while their nomination forms were read to the audience celebrating students for academic achievement, improvement and/or citizenship. There were 288 students in all who were honored.
- Good News Cards: Over 700 students received Good News postcards from staff members.
- Gold and Platinum Reward Cards: There were 1,768 cards that were earned.
- Eighth Grade Awards: On June 1, 2011, 149 students were honored during an evening awards assembly.

Ongoing Work

DePaolo's Continuous School Improvement Plan focused on data-driven differentiation. The first two workshop days in August were spent taking a look back at the students who just were promoted and affirming that the teacher embedded tasks were, in fact, indicators of success on the state standardized assessment. This reflection and analysis was also captured for the first time in each staff member's current goal setting form, which, once again, mirrored the School Improvement Plan. Staff also analyzed data for the incoming class.

For the first time, all 504 Early Intervention Plans and Individualized Educational Plans were disseminated prior to the students entering school. Between the completed data analysis and these additional documents, teachers had a complete understanding of the students entering their classrooms prior to the first day of school for students.

SERC continued to support the efforts of co-teaching. In fact, DePaolo Middle School served as a host site for the co-teaching model and was visited by other districts to observe our practice. SERC also continued to offer technical support for the district-wide Early Intervention Process. DePaolo Middle School anticipates using the redesigned paperwork completed in conjunction with both schools.

Teacher-to-teacher was a new program this year that incorporated teachers observing one another. Staff used a planning period every other week to observe a colleague in an attempt to gain insight into their own practice. Every fourth session was spent debriefing with the principal of the building. One of the most important aspects of this exercise was teachers used the essential components of the district Mission Statement as the lens for the observation. This provided an opportunity for the Mission Statement to come alive through classroom practice.

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SCHOOL ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

Each of us at J. F. Kennedy Middle School continues to be proud of the contributions that we have individually made to our collective growth as a learning community. Our continuing goal is to practice strategic instruction to best meet the individual needs of each of our students. We have accomplished this by strengthening and refining several of our instructional practices. One of these on-going, embedded practices is the analysis of school-wide and individual student performance data, which is used to formally plan comprehensive supports for specific skills that we have identified as in need of improvement. This year, we have very successfully aligned this analysis with the middle school's co-teaching and Early Intervention Plan (EIP) initiatives, enabling us to better target and provide for student needs and to enhance learning. As this has been on-going work, we have become more proficient and efficient with the foundational analysis and planning that we completed during our first two Professional Development Days in August. This year, we will further refine our work by embedding all the results of this 'data mining' directly into our formal EIP planning. All teachers will support our goal for the 2011-2012 school year of effectively practicing Scientific Research-Based Interventions (SRBI) through their Professional Growth Plans

In our work to provide a structured, supportive and engaging learning environment, we continue to expand upon the ways that we support student needs. We are very proud of the new ways that we are creatively working to prevent bullying, described by two Southington Youth Service Counselors as "way ahead". We will continue and strengthen these efforts next year. The addition of the after-school Lego League, Stock Market Club and School Newspaper Club have provided new challenges and opportunities for students to extend their school day and work alongside new friends and peers. We will work next year to expand on what was a tremendous beginning step. Our participation in the CIAC-sponsored Unified Sports Program was again expanded by offering a greater number of games for students to participate in. For the first time, we were able to offer a formal banquet in order to celebrate student, partner and parent involvement in the program. Our PTO continues to be vital to our work; quite simply, many of the opportunities for students that their fundraising and volunteerism provides for, such as assembly programs, field trips, book fairs, SMART Boards, and many, many others, would not come to pass without their unselfish work.

We also continually work to find new ways for students to grow as members of our school community and the Southington community at large, and to celebrate their accomplishments. We do this through our continuing efforts to expand upon the opportunities for students to develop their civic leadership skills. We are delighted with our highly successful completion of a yearlong, school-wide "yellow ribbon fundraiser" that supported our local troops. Our students' ongoing work and support led our school to receive recognition from United States Senator, Richard Blumenthal, and to be presented with a prestigious Blue Star Banner from the Southington American Legion. Also included in this celebration of excellence for our students was a formal Citation from the Southington Town Council.



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The 2010-2011 year at Derynoski Elementary School was one of reflective practice for adults and accomplishment for children. Data formed the basis for instructional planning and the delivery of differentiated instruction for students, especially in the areas of reading, writing and mathematics. Derynoski remained a Columbia Teachers' College Lab site school that resulted in further refinement of the Readers Workshop model of instruction. Children formed Book Clubs and often could be found in their "just right" reading spots within the classrooms. Increasing independent reading time at all grade levels continued to be a priority. This year, we targeted creative programming around the needs of our youngest learners. In January, we expanded the Kindergarten day, as appropriate, for some children who required intervention. With the rearrangement of staff responsibilities, we developed an Early Literacy Support Program that resulted in extraordinary growth for participants. It is anticipated that our district will successfully implement a similar program during the course of the 2011-2012 school year.

Our students in fourth and fifth grades benefitted enormously from the generosity of Mrs. Genevieve Thalberg and her gift of technology for 10 classrooms. Teachers learned to integrate the digital camera and the SMART Board/Projector into daily lessons. In some cases, students led the instruction with these new teaching tools.

Our school's theme this year was "Heroes Among Us." All year long, we celebrated the brave deeds of local, state, national and international heroes. Special attention was paid to the family and community heroes who are defined by our children. Our Guest Reader Day, Book Fairs and special musical programs promoted this theme as well.

The work of our Parent-Teacher Organization (PTO) was phenomenal. Thousands of books were donated to classrooms and every child participated in reading celebrations. Our PTO meetings continued to focus on curriculum topics and, once again, teachers hosted these monthly meetings. Cultural Arts programs were varied and rich and each class took at least one off-campus field trip. Our location in the center of town enabled students to take walking trips to the Southington Care Center as well as to the Historical Society to view the Civil War exhibition. Numerous school spirit days occurred that resulted not only in furthering the Derynoski School spirit and pride, but more importantly, in raising funds for worthy causes such as Relay for Life, the children in Japan, Bread for Life, Derynoski Cares, and many other altruistic efforts.

Derynoski School sponsored a staff basketball game that allowed us to provide scholarships to two Southington High School graduates who attended Derynoski School. Our staff continues to volunteer for many activities such as Bowling Club, Ski Club, Unified Sports, Talent Show and the Volunteer Recognition Program. First grade teachers presented an excellent family literacy workshop that resulted in "at-home" support for our children.

This has been another excellent year at Derynoski School as measured by achievement, decisions being data and standards-based, and by continuing the belief at Derynoski School that each of us can make a positive difference in the life of each child...one day at a time. Our students and their families are our “Heroes Among Us.”

Kindergarten: Readers Workshop mini lessons began the first week of school with the children selecting their “just right” books. Throughout the year, they read for increasing periods of time in their quiet, cozy spots where they practiced the skills taught during mini-lessons. The children took books home each week for reinforcement of skills with their families. In Writers Workshop the children continued to independently write while selecting topics of personal interest. Teacher prompts and questions also guided their writing themes. Words Their Way, a component of the literacy block, introduced a weekly study of word families. This enabled our early readers and writers to increase their oral and written vocabulary. Problem-solving continued to be our main focus within the mathematics curriculum. Excellent progress has been made in meeting the state standards as measured by our district math assessments. The Kindergarten Team continued to work collaboratively with all resource staff to provide creative programming within the school day to meet diverse learning needs.

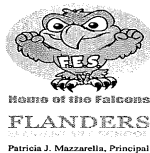
Grade One: This year, our team focused on creating a bank of reading and writing workshop mini-lessons. These lessons were skill specific and resulted in increased student engagement. A priority for our team was to place books in the hands of all children at the very start of the new school year. This fostered a love for reading. With the use of Lucy Calkin’s writing workshop books, students were able to compose pieces of writing that held personal interest to them. The first grade team hosted a combined workshop for parents on the topic of literacy skills, especially decoding and comprehension. In mathematics, we concentrated on the skills inherent with problem-solving. We encouraged students to use their problem-solving skills in writing word problems and relating them to their “real world” experiences. Increased communication with support staff encouraged improved small group instruction. Science and social studies continue to be taught as part of a balanced literacy program.

Grade Two: Readers and Writers Workshops continued to be successfully implemented this year. We placed a greater emphasis on students’ written responses that were based on CMT format. Writing binders assisted children with the skills of organization as well as the implementation of the entire writing process. The Sitton Program was a successful spelling and word study program that provided concise rules and sentence structure patterns that produced improved student writing. Math instruction was completed with special emphasis on our school goals of improving problem-solving strategies and estimating solutions to problems. Our team regularly met to discuss student data and to plan instruction to meet diverse needs.

Grade Three: Our work within the Readers Workshop model of instruction focused on conferencing with students to provide more individualized and specific teaching strategies to meet each reader’s needs. “Book Clubs” and “Book Partnerships” enhanced the skills necessary for reading at the intermediate level. Writers Workshop was further developed to include more in-depth units of study in poetry, realistic fiction and persuasive writing. Students were able to publish their writing in various formats to celebrate their good work. Along with the implementation of our Growing with Mathematics curriculum, the skills of estimation, problem-solving and quickly solving mental math problems received emphasis throughout each week.

Grade Four: Readers Workshop continued to be the focal point of our language arts instruction. Individual student conferencing provided children with support based upon individual need. Science and social studies lessons were integrated into our workshop model as we emphasized on-fiction text. Students also participated in student led Book Clubs. Sitton Spelling provided a comprehensive spelling program that focused on building skills and word experiences. In Writers Workshop, students were exposed to both narrative and expository forms of writing. In mathematics, we followed the Growing with Mathematics pacing schedule and worked on specific objectives within our School Improvement Plan. Students benefitted from the support of the math tutors. Science as a “hands-on” experience that promoted individual and group inquiry was a favorite subject for students. Classroom SMART Boards and document cameras enhanced instruction and learning in all of our classrooms.

Grade Five: Grade 5 continued to implement Readers and Writers Workshop. With the assistance of Literacy Specialists and Literacy Tutors, we were able to meet the needs of a wide range of readers. Our leveled libraries provided opportunities for students to read books that were on their “just right” levels. The Growing with Mathematics Program continues to be an integral part of our math curriculum. In addition to differentiating instruction within the classroom, the assistance of Math Tutors and the Math Specialists enabled teachers to meet the needs of all learners. Through the generosity of the Thalberg Foundation and Mrs. Thalberg, they donated SMART Boards, document cameras, and laptops to every fifth grade classroom. This technology upgrade allowed us to project students work samples, make lessons interactive, provide interactive connections through Internet access and use countless SMART Board lesson plans and activities, all for the enhancement of student learning.



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At Flanders Elementary School, we are a diverse neighborhood school community with a strong connection with its parents and the general community. Our school mascot is the Flanders Falcon and our school slogan is "Soaring to New Heights." We continue to connect with the greater community by supporting Relay for Life, Community Soup Kitchens, YMCA Camp Sloper and the Park and Recreation Programs. The PTO supports our staff through fund raising to enhance our instructional and cultural initiatives. This year, their hard work supported our classroom libraries, field trips and our science lab. They also promote positive family activities such as Family Picnic, Family Bingo, Read Aloud Day, Winter Read Across America Reading Program, Apple Harvest Parade, Ski Club, Drama Club, Scouts and Flanders Cares programs.

This academic school year, our Continuous School Improvement Plan worked on student achievement and teacher accountability in four areas: Achievement in Numeracy, Achievement in Literacy, School Safety/Climate and School/Family Partnerships. Our updated CIP Plan is located on the Flanders Elementary School website. Updates include input and accomplishments from all Staff, the Flanders Elementary School CIP Parent Advisory Group and administration.

Key items and events that we are most proud of are:

- School and home connections via a principal's monthly newsletter, Kindergarten Special Day Celebrations, Grade 1 First Fridays for Families, Grade 2 Poetry Night, Grade 2 Reader's Theater, Grade 3 Mystery Readers Program, Grade 3 Poetry Day, Grade 4 Reader's Theater Presentations, Grade 4 Writing Celebrations, Grade 5 Writing Celebrations, Grade 5 Science Fair Expo, Principal Coffees, and grade level information in monthly newsletters.
- Instructional focuses that include but are not limited to: Emphasis on key elements fo the SPS Mission Statement; Exemplary Classroom Libraries, Writers' Workshop, Readers Workshop, focused conferences with students on comprehension strategies, student engagement, continued work in Differentiated Instruction and using curriculum based data such as DRA2, DRP and math benchmark assessments more effectively to drive instruction on the grade level, conferencing with students regarding open ended math responses and problem solving.
- Flanders served as a Columbia Readers Workshop Lab school (year three) hosting training for teachers across the district in Grades 1-5. Our Flanders Elementary School staff in Grades 1 and 5 hosted instructional workshops that provided training to our staff, and staff across the district, while working with Flanders Elementary School students. The work of our teachers and performance of our students, once again, brought acclaim to our school from the Columbia staff and staff from the district.

We are very proud of our CIP process at Flanders School. We have come full circle and have finished the school year with a new plan to start with on the very first day of school. Our work in student achievement will focus on differentiation and writing. We plan to enhance our strong school/family connections with a variety of initiatives such as Literacy Nights, Numeracy Nights, Instructional Celebrations, Community Service Projects, parent involvement in our A.L.O.T./STEPS program (Asset #26 Caring) and increased participation in PTO meetings.

Kindergarten: Fluency and reading skills are two main areas of instructional focus in the Flanders Elementary School Kindergarten program. Confidence gained in reading and writing workshop models have led to higher student achievement. Assessment practices and use of data have driven differentiated instruction leading to student achievement.

Grade One: The first grade has fully implemented the Readers and Writers Workshop. A focus on conferencing to improve comprehension has been the heart of this year's literacy work and solving word problems in math continues to be a learning focus. This requires the use of both reading and math strategies. Students have shown growth in all these areas.

Grade Two: The second grade has also fully implemented Readers and Writers Workshop. Conferencing with students on specific reading comprehension strategies has been a focus this year, particularly, Authors' Message. Conferencing in Writers Workshop has been our area of focus this year as well. This year we have seen improvement in solving mathematic problems in CMT strand areas.

Grade Three: The third grade focus on literacy instruction, with the support of Literacy Specialists and through the use of mentor texts and "just right" books, continues to enhance our reading curriculum. Writers Workshop mini-lessons, independent writing, and student conferences have developed and expanded the students' skills. Our math instruction emphasized problem-solving and written explanations in all content strands.

Grade Four: The fourth grade focused on differentiated reading instruction through the use of mini-lessons involving mentor texts and book clubs. Students have continued to develop the math concepts present in GWM through the use of manipulatives, Math Tutor, Math Specialist, and small group instruction. New technology has provided staff with new and innovative ways to deliver content material and involve students in interactive practice.

Grade Five: Students have been active participants in Readers and Writers Workshop. Readers Workshop has been implemented by incorporating Book Clubs, Partner Talks, and individual conferencing. With the collection of data from district benchmarks, individual and group needs were addressed using the Growing with Math Program. The addition of technology has enhanced instruction in all content areas and improved student engagement. Hands-on and interactive activities maximized student engagement in science and social studies.

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Hatton Elementary School has 111 students in the William Wrinn Preschool Center and 340 students in Grades K-5 for a total of 451 students. We have a Speech Itinerant Program for three and four year olds, not attending our preschool. Part of our Preschool Program consists of Applied Behavioral Analysis, a service delivered by CREC. Many of our preschool students come from the Birth to Three Program.

Early Intervention/SRBI continues to be successful at Hatton School. We continue to collect and analyze data to support interventions for student growth. The Hatton School Improvement Plan has been our guide to achieving student growth. Teachers collect data, standardized tests, benchmarks and daily work, and use this data to drive instruction. We have shown growth in reading, writing and math. Hatton School has implemented Readers and Writers Workshop across the grade levels, as well as the Sitton Spelling Program. Our Grade 4 and 5 classrooms were equipped with SMART Boards donated by Mrs. Genevieve Thalberg.

This year, we hosted five student teachers from Central Connecticut State University. This allowed a cohort of people to offer support to teacher novices, and there was new learning for all involved.

We have had several presenters at our PTO meetings. Some topics were: Pre Reading Skills Workshop, our new report card, nutrition, our Garden Project by Paula Knight and students, and an anti-bullying at school and home workshop.

Our self-contained teacher continues the pre-vocational program where children deliver mail to the classrooms, collect money, turn in bottles and cans and buy food to prepare in the classroom. The students have been to local supermarkets to accomplish this goal. This program will extend to J. F. Kennedy Middle School next year (where our students will attend).

We have offered our entering Kindergarteners and their parents, helpful workshops in reading and math. The students have been included in classroom centers and story time. Parents have borrowed the Reading Kits from the library, as well. Several of our teachers received the Southington Education Foundation grant last year. The grant was used to purchase leveled books for the public library. A ceremony was held after the books were made available.

We continue the "Giving Tree" tradition with donations made to the Southington Food Bank, Relay for Life, and other charities, such as Jump Rope for Heart and the American Cancer Society. This year, each month, a grade level was in charge of a collection for Bread for Life. Other student projects are Young Authors, Science Fair, Talent Show, Field Day at Slopers, and

Trails Day at Panthorn Park. We have many PTO sponsored activities including the Book Fair, Pasta Supper, Ice Cream Social, Bingo, Grade 5 Carnival, the Family Picnic and Ski Club. We offer a Homework Club, Big Friend/Little Friend group and Grandparent Week.

Preschool

The preschool completed its third year participating in the Young Athletes Program. The four-year old class participated weekly for 12-weeks in this program, which culminated in an awards ceremony and demonstration. This year we had student helpers from Southington High School.

Kindergarten

Kindergarten has implemented both Readers and Writers Workshop. Their reading and writing is supported by a balanced literacy environment as well as including shared reading, guided reading, and literacy work stations. Kindergarten continues to integrate social studies and science into both math and literacy.

Grade 1

With the Readers and Writers Workshop instruction, students have experienced a range of strategies and styles. In reading and writing, students explored realistic fiction, persuasive letter writing, poetry, and how to books. Students showed impressive success with these different topics and their language arts growth was astonishing this year.

Grade 2

The Writers Workshop model for teaching writing helped students continue to grow as confident writers on both their narrative prompts and their individual writing pieces. This year Grade 2 enhanced their social studies curriculum by performing a production of, “My Town, My World”. Students acted, sang songs, and danced to show the Hatton community all that they learned about the town of Southington and the world.

Grade 3

The third grade has continued to work with students to improve performance in the area of reading. In writing, the students have created, developed, and published wonderful writing pieces. The Growing with Mathematics Program has, once again, been the backbone of the third grade math program.

Grade 4

This year, Grade 4 enjoyed Readers Workshop, especially their book clubs. In math, children continue to use logical reasoning and number sense to solve problems. As a culminating activity for our land and water unit in science, fourth graders traveled to Meigs Point Nature Center. Children learned how plants and animals survive in three distinct habitats. Thank you to the Thalberg Foundation for gifting us with a SMART Board, document camera, and laptops.

Grade 5

During this school year, Hatton's fifth grade continued to implement Readers and Writers Workshop with a focus on book clubs, mentor texts, and conferencing in both areas. The ultimate highlight for students and teachers was the purchase of Smartboards, document cameras, and laptops. These tools of technology were provided by the Thalberg Foundation and were useful in all subject areas.

Instrumental Music

The Instrumental Music Department at Hatton School was busy this year practicing and performing! The third grade students studied the recorder this year, and they performed a concert for the second graders and the third graders parents. The fourth and fifth grade band and orchestra members were introduced to a new computer program this year called SmartMusic. This software program enhanced the music lessons by making a wider variety of music accessible to the children. The fifth grade students also performed solos this year on the morning announcements, adding a Patriotic tune to the start of the Hatton school day. The band students performed at the Music Festival in June

We will continue the work of increasing student achievement and creating a school that meets the needs of all of our students and families.



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SCHOOL ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

Kelley School, along with all schools in the district, focused on the improvement of student achievement in three identified areas of the Continuous Improvement Plan (reading, writing, and math as well as having a safety goal). These academic areas were chosen as a focus after reviewing our CMT scores. Teachers in all grades and all subject areas actively participated in the implementation of these objectives.

Reading and Writing: Student achievement will improve in reading comprehension and writing through a balanced literacy program that includes explicit and differentiated instruction with conferencing and small strategy work.

Math: Student achievement will improve in numeracy through a balanced math program that includes explicit and differentiated instruction with conferencing and small group work.

Safety: There will be a safe and orderly environment that supports the physical, emotional and social well-being of all students. There will be continuous communication between school and home. Families will be involved in Kelley School.

KELLEY SCHOOL CELEBRATIONS:

- SPROUTS Mentorship Program;
- Talent Show;
- Grade level academic celebration events;
- Implementation of district benchmark assessments, curriculum-based assessments and CMTs to monitor student progress and plan instruction;
- Professional development focused on Readers Workshop, Writers Workshop, EIP, Crisis Intervention;
- Grade level team meetings and staff meetings focused on instructional planning, review of student work, analysis of data;
- Integration of school goals into all areas including art, music, physical education, guidance, library media;
- Literacy Specialist within our building used for ongoing professional development, coaching teachers, modeling, assessing and instructing students;
- PTO sponsored cultural arts events, fun family activities, field trips, materials for classrooms, Book Fair, Donuts for Dads, Muffins for Moms;
- Staff attendance at PTO meetings to showcase curriculum;
- Hands-on science projects at all grade levels;
- One hundred percent (100%) participation in Young Author's Program;
- Staff versus Grade 5 volleyball game fundraiser for a YMCA Scholarship, fundraising for Relay for Life, St. Jude's Hospital, American Cancer Society, Bread for Life, Social Services;
- Further development of leveled classroom libraries;
- Read-a-thon yielding over \$2,700 for classroom and school library.

All students at Kelley School were active participants in lessons to foster their academic, social and personal development. We had a very successful year with the implementation of our Continuous Improvement Plan.

Staff and students at all grade levels focused on the district Mission Statement:

The mission of the Southington Public Schools is to engage students in a range of educational experiences to become informed, adaptive problem-solvers who effectively communicate, rise to challenges, and are committed to improve themselves and their communities.

Student Engagement: Just Right Books, shared reading, conferencing, experiments, computer programs, SMART Board, math tools, learning stations, Readers and Writers Workshop, Grand Conversations, journals.

Range of Educational Experiences: Different modalities, technology, individual/partner/group/whole class lessons, partnerships, hands-on lessons, strategy groups.

Working with Information to Solve Problems: Math discussion books, mid-workshop teaching points, Noticing Charts, graphic organizers, Internet/lap tops, reading tool kit.

Adaptive Problem-Solving: Word journals/dictionaries, Turn and Talk, strategy groups, Word Wall, *No Excuse* word list, journals, charts/posters.

Communicating Effectively: Conferencing, explaining lessons to visitors, journals, publishing books, Math Talks, Turn and Talk, responses to open-ended questions, Stop and Jot, envisioning, morning meeting, buddy/partner work.

Rising to Challenges: Reflection and interpretation, math enrichment, pushing thinking stickies, differentiation, challenge word lists, technology.

Committed to Improving Themselves and Others: Mentoring Book Buddies, SPROUTS, parent volunteers, fundraisers for charities, self-reflection, good time tickets.

Next year, we will continue to target areas in reading, writing and math that are weak. We will review the CMT data in August in order to help us target specific areas. We will also continue to focus our efforts in making sure that the individual needs of each Kelley School student are met.

Our focus on the district mission will continue to guide us in our work at U. T. Kelley School.

TEAM – Together Everyone Achieves More



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School Accomplishments:

Plantsville School students and staff began their first full year in their renovate-to-new site, which also included a large addition of classrooms and gymnasium. All staff and students began the year much more comfortable with the state of the art technology and updated surroundings. Due to redistricting and other moves and programs, we welcomed about 50 new families to our school, significantly increasing our student population.

The staff continued working with our mutually revised Continuous Improvement Plans. Literacy and numeracy goals are directly related to Connecticut Mastery Test objectives as well as district benchmarks. Meetings on data from the previous years were held and teachers aligned their instructional goals based on the results of that data and our plans. The teachers use differentiated instruction based on student need as they see it developing in their instructional setting. Both Writers and Readers Workshop are fully implemented in all classrooms, as all teachers are now fully trained in both models. Writing skills are emphasized across subject areas, as children write in all classes every day. Small flexible groups within the math classrooms are based on student need within strands. Areas of weakness are addressed by our literacy specialist, special educators, and a math tutor. As our new setting is full of diverse technology, development of technology skills has been at the forefront of our professional development. Teachers and paraprofessionals alike have used our interactive SMART Boards, document cameras, computer cart on wheels, and computer technology in all teaching areas, including our library/media center and adjacent lab.

The Plantsville faculty demonstrated a strong commitment to our academic programs. Several teachers attended the summer institute in Columbia's Reading Workshop and others during the fall. Several teachers continue their education with college courses, and many have requested to attend professional development opportunities outside of those offered by the district. They share important information and technique with staff afterward. One of our teachers is part of the district Administrative Aspirant Program. Our staff also gives back professionally, serving as cooperating teachers for young student teachers and as TEAM mentors for new teachers.

We are proud of our music, art, and physical education programs; we had one instrumental and two vocal concerts. Physical education classes integrated literacy and numeracy goals and science and social studies objectives with a variety of unique centers.

For the second year in a row, *Pleads for Reads*, was provided to a group of fourth and fifth graders. Students continued the concept and plan that was begun last year; The Watertown

Foundation received a request for a grant, which included a way that funds can also go back to the Foundation. An interactive blog was also designed by a student for this project and is still active. We saw the project come to fruition with a ceremony that included central office administration and leaders of the Education Foundation in attendance.

Plantsville School is fortunate to have a strong and supportive PTO. Along with our cultural arts programs, the PTO is active in many areas, sponsoring two book fairs, an ice cream social, and funding our Field Day and class field trips where real life experiences are provided outside of the classroom and dedicate their time as volunteers in the classrooms. They also supported two important assemblies regarding child safety. With our partnership with Calendar House, Plantsville students have continued their outreach to older adults in the community. We again were part of the district Relay for Life team as well as many other charitable contributions for community needs.

Student Achievements:

Kindergarten: Our half-day Kindergarten students experience a balanced program of literacy and numeracy. The highlight of their social studies curriculum was a visit to the local Fire House, where they saw first-hand what these community members do for them; science and literacy was supported by a trip to Indian Rock. Writing has shown growth throughout the year, as their stories have more detail.

Grade One: The first grade literacy program is highlighted in the spring by their Young Authors' Tea. Family members are invited to an old-fashioned English tea and each child reads one of his or her pieces of writing. Theme days focusing on winter holidays, apple day, and Thanksgiving integrate social studies, math, language arts, and science through various center activities. There is an international flair in Grade 1 with cultural events and an active international holiday fair. The science curriculum was also enhanced by a visit to the Beardsley Zoo and a talk by a local dentist.

Grade Two: The second graders also hosted Young Authors' Tea for their families. The science curriculum was supported by a trip to Nature's Art in Montville, Connecticut and by guest speakers. The children learned first-hand about local history with a visit from the director of the Barnes Museum. The year ends with Pirate's Day, an integration of all second grade curricular work.

Grade Three: Individual pieces of literature were published and shared with peers. Students participated in book clubs, created maps of Connecticut, participated in countless hands-on science experiments, created timelines, kept journals, and worked through many math processes, reaching the abstract stage for many topics. Technology took on new meaning for third graders as many created an interactive iBook and published it to be read on an iPad or iPod. They also became active recyclers after the presentation at the Science Center.

Grade Four: There were monthly celebrations in reading and writing: through Writers Workshop, best writing was shared with peers, and conversations about best books were held. The children's radio station integrated social studies regions and literacy as news and sports events were announced, weather reports given, and editorials showed students' skill at inference. Nature's Day field experience to Panthorn Park highlighted the science curriculum as did a trip to the Eli Whitney Museum where they created their own simple and compound machines.

Grade Five: Readers Workshop is a way of life in Grade 5. Grand conversations were held about literature, writing was published, and book clubs were held. Every Friday, a mystery reader shared his or her favorite book with the class. The Science Fair showed students testing a hypothesis through experimentation and coming to valid conclusions. The trip to Sturbridge Village gave the class a real life look at early American life. Visiting The Summit created a partnership with our neighbors.

Ongoing Work:

Teachers and administration will continue to use data-driven decision making when deciding what the best instruction for each child is. As a faculty, we will study our Continuous Improvement Plan and revise our objectives, to not only include those areas of need seen in Connecticut Mastery Testing, but also those of our district assessments and daily student work. Teacher goals will be based on this analysis. We will continue our professional development in literacy as teachers are now embedded in Readers Workshop; the expansion of leveled classroom libraries will continue. We will continue our work as an inclusive setting, so that every child is in his or her least restrictive environment. We will strive to become even more technologically literate, updating web pages and using technology when appropriate to enhance student learning.



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School Accomplishments:

South End students and staff have completed our first full year in our new facility. We welcomed many new students this year with the redistricted neighborhoods and participation in the Open Choice Program. Some of the highlights of the year included the school-wide assembly to celebrate diversity, a six week reading fluency initiative "The Great Poetry Race", a family dance night and several family literacy workshops.

South End has a strong home/school partnership with a very active PTO. This year, over 50 parents worked to support students and staff as room mothers, classroom helpers, and literacy volunteers. In addition, the PTO parent volunteers coordinated the production High School Musical Junior with 80 children participating. South End parents continued their fundraising efforts to purchase an addition to our outdoor playscape and a rock wall in the gym. The PTO also purchased materials for the classrooms and sponsored several cultural arts performances. This past April, our school hosted the Young Audiences of Connecticut Spring Showcase with over 40 performers entertaining our students and invited guests. South End opened the gym to the Southington Family Resource Center on Thursdays so our young Southington residents could enjoy our new gym and equipment. Our fourth and fifth graders traveled to Mulberry Gardens to sing for the residents. The staff and parents held several fundraising activities to support Southington's Relay for Life event including a pancake breakfast and game night "A Minute to Win It". Mrs. Vicky Triano, representing Bread for Life, visited our first grade students to read Stone Soup. South End held two food drives to support this organization. Students also created cards for troops overseas.

Ongoing Work/School Improvement Plan:

The South End staff is committed to academic excellence and fostering a community of learning where everyone is respectful, responsible and safe. Our school's Continuous Improvement Plan (CIP) is focused on improving academic achievement in literacy and numeracy. The staff team implemented a CIP for literacy, numeracy and safety and community partnerships. The staff monitored student progress, collected data and made instructional adjustments throughout the year as needed. The support staff (including the math tutor and literacy tutor) has been instrumental in supporting students in need of intervention by providing individual and small group instruction. We will continue to analyze data (2011 CMT results and district assessments) and refine our CIP to address areas of weakness at each grade level. Staff and grade level meetings will focus on sharing teaching strategies that promote student achievement. Another area of focus for the staff will be to continue our professional growth in learning how to make the Southington Public School Mission Statement come alive in our classrooms by delivering a rigorous and relevant curriculum. The 2011-2012 Safety Plan will continue to promote character building with the implementation of Asset Building Classrooms, a district initiative. With the support and involvement of parents and community members, we will work hard to provide the best educational opportunities for all our students.

Celebrations:

Kindergarten:

- Literacy Family Workshop
- High Touch-High Tech: Science program “What’s the Weather?”
- “I am Special” Performance at School Diversity Assembly
- Mother’s Day Tea and Dad’s Math Game Day and picnic lunch

Grade One:

- Hatching baby chicks
- Mystery Readers
- Author’s Tea to celebrate writing
- Field trips to Theatreworks show “Click, Clack, Moo”, Hungerford and South End School House

Grade Two:

- Writers Workshop Celebrations
- Collaboration with Media Specialist to create a Readers Theatre DVD
- Animal Research Projects
- Field Trip to Natures Art to enhance science unit on Rocks and Minerals

Grade Three:

- Family Pizza Party –Persuasive Writing Celebration
- Field trips to Mark Twain House and Norwalk Maritime Aquarium
- Alex ‘s Lemonade Stand fundraising activities
- Poetry Café and Authors Tea

Grade Four:

- Spring trip to Mulberry Gardens to sing for residents
- Literature Book Clubs with two classes
- Partner Reading (Author Study) with Grade 2
- Field Trip to Eli Whitney Museum

Grade Five:

- December trip to Mulberry Gardens to sing to residents
- Staff vs. Grade 5 Volleyball game to raise funds for Bread for Life
- Science Fair Projects
- Field trip to Sturbridge Village



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School Accomplishments:

The Strong School staff continued to implement the school's Continuous Improvement Plan (CIP) by increasing student achievement in reading, writing, and math through the use of differentiated instruction, small group strategy work, and best practices. The review of the district Language Arts Assessments and the district Math Benchmarks provided evidence that students have made growth in all three areas. The teachers also effectively implemented the new standards-based report card and the new spelling program.

Since all teachers were trained in the Readers Workshop model, staff focused their work on conferencing, moving students to the next reading level, matching books to readers, and collecting great interactive read alouds and mentor texts. Teachers had perfected their mini-lessons using mentor texts, had set up their classroom libraries with leveled books, directed students to complete reading logs, and increased their students' stamina in reading. Teachers displayed reading strategies on noticing charts and encouraged their students to read "just right" books. They focused on decoding and comprehension skills. Throughout the school year, the literacy specialists worked in classrooms to model good conferences and shared their anecdotal records with teachers concerning each conference with a student. Literacy tutors were also invaluable in boosting student reading skills.

In the Writers Workshop model, teachers have become very familiar with teaching the writing of small moments in time. Students were instructed to work in their journals on several entries and select one entry to write a narrative or expository piece. Students have written and published 620 books this year in the Publishing Center. Teachers have continued to use mentor text to illustrate good writing that demonstrated interesting word choice, organization, fluency, and the elaboration of details. Students also have completed writing prompts and worked on editing and revising their writing pieces. Teachers have been working on perfecting their writing conferences. In addition, teachers focused on implementing the two new spelling programs (Words their Way and Sitton).

In math, using the Growing with Mathematics Program, teachers continued to pace their lessons according to the district schedule. Teachers assessed students with the math benchmarks, unit tests, and CBA's. It was very evident that teachers were very proficient in reviewing the skills their students did not master on the benchmarks. As a result, students continued to show growth. The math tutors also have been invaluable in helping our students learn math concepts.

In the area of technology, Grade 4 and 5 teachers learned how to use the SMART Board and the document camera by attending in-service workshops. Students were enthralled with this type of learning. Classroom and special education teachers utilized Razz-Kids, Lexia, and Read Naturally with their students. Teachers have also used the mobile laptops to do research in their classrooms. Students, therefore, have become more proficient in research and have completed their work using word processing or PowerPoint. Students have also perfected their keyboarding skills by working on the Type to Learn Program. Strong School has also received Southington Education Foundation Grants to enrich the students' academic program in first and fifth grades.

Furthermore, during the school year, students had the opportunity to participate in a variety of programs. In addition to field trips and cultural arts program, students participated in the Summer Reading Celebration, Career Day, Read Aloud Day, Grandparents' Breakfast, Celebration of Writing, Diversity Day, Field Day, National Trail's Day, Flag Day, Earth Day, Band & Choral Concerts, Strong's Authors Program, etc. Students received many opportunities to broaden their experiences.

Student Achievements:

Kindergarten:

- Wrote books during Readers Workshop, including "How to Books".
- Learned about safety with a visit from Police Officer Blumetti.
- Learned about dental health with a visit from a local dentist, Dr. DiRienzo.
- Observed changes from caterpillars to butterflies/observed different types of fish.
- Planted seeds and watched plants grow.
- Presented an end of the year show for parents.
- Learned about fire safety in the home and community from the Fire Department.

Grade One:

- Continued a partnership in literacy with the Southington Rotary Club.
- Participated in a safety initiative pertaining to Stranger Danger and Bike Safety.
- Wrote and published "How to Books" and "All about Books".
- Developed a home/school reading partnership using reading logs and tools for decoding.
- Enriched the study of characterization in Readers Workshop through a field trip to Lyman Auditorium at SCSU to see the play, "Click Clack Moo".
- Participated in inquiry-based activities involving solids/liquids, insect life cycles, sunshine and shadows, and animals and their habitats.
- Celebrated diversity by participating in a cultural arts presentation on Brazil's traditions/culture/celebrations presented by a Grade 1 parent.
- Used flip cameras given through an Southington Education Foundation Grant to enrich reading fluency.

Grade Two:

- Wrote and published books to enhance the curriculum.
- Explored a variety of non-fiction topics to become experts, wrote books and created posters about their topics to teach others.
- Complemented the FOSS Rocks and Minerals Unit with a field trip to Nature's Art.
- Created and performed Readers' Theaters.
- Local TV meteorologist, Ryan Hanrahan, shared his knowledge of weather as a culminating activity for the FOSS Air, Wind and Weather Unit.
- Learned the history of the Town of Southington from the Barnes Museum and created an interactive Wiki to demonstrate learning.
- Home/school connections were bridged through family math mornings on measurement and geometry.

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Grade Three:

- Engaged in Book Clubs while learning about the mystery genre and social issues.
- Focused on culture and heritage during Diversity Day Celebration.
- CERT presented to the students and students helped stock Southington's food pantry.
- Learned about conservation and how to reduce, reuse and recycle.
- Implemented a School Safety Patrol to ensure the safety of all students at Strong School.
- Researched Connecticut and toured the Northeast on-line.
- Purchased the tree for Earth Day with money from recycled bottles.
- Indian Rock came to visit and taught students about how they can help their environment.

Grade Four:

- Toured Panthorn Park to celebrate Trails' Day and visited stations to learn about wildlife and mountaineering.
- Addressed electrical safety through a lecture from CL&P.
- Created PowerPoint presentations to explain the West and Southwest areas of USA and to teach about volcanoes and earthquakes.
- Focused on characters, biographies and nonfiction reading themes.
- Used the SMART Board to create lessons and teaching games for all subjects.
- Implemented the document camera to illustrate student work and model lessons.
- Learned how math relates to how the Southington Water Department functions.
- Formulated a partnership with the Southington Alzheimer Resource Center and created decorations for the holidays at the center.

Grade Five:

- Became poets and memoir authors and held an Authors' Tea where original historical fiction books were shared with parents and peers.
- Problem-solving is key to our math program. Students think, speak, and write mathematically as they apply knowledge and skills in meaningful activities.
- Participated in hands-on investigations in science, following the Scientific Method and completed a Science Fair Project applying skills and concepts learned.
- Interactive activities were incorporated in the History Alive! Program and students were involved in virtual field trips and historical debates, such as Patriots vs. Loyalists
- SMART Board activities were integrated into all curriculum areas.
- Read A Dog's Life, learned the purpose of the Southington Animal Rescue, received a Southington Education Foundation Grant, made gourmet dog bones and sold them to raise money for the Dog Pound.
- Held a breakfast and provided entertainment to honor the Veterans.



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The key questions of this report are: "What were the major focuses and what was accomplished?" These areas were focused on: Improving technology in the classrooms, enriching classroom libraries, utilizing interventions to improve student learning, school business partnerships, and contributing to our community.

Technology

The purchase and the installation of SMART Boards and document cameras have been accomplished in Grades 2, 3, 4 and 5. Either mounted or rolling SMART Boards are in place in Grades 1 and in one Kindergarten room. Even our Resource Room has one. The mobile cart is used extensively by all classrooms. The technology was generously gifted by Mrs. Genevieve Thalberg and the Thalberg Foundation, by our PTO, and by the Southington Board of Education.

Workshops have been conducted all year on specific programs (i.e. – "Lexia") and tools (Wikis and SMART Boards I and II). A total of six technology workshops have been held. That's a 75% increase from last year. Our teachers demonstrated technology skills and how it is integrated into our teaching by hosting a Technology in Action afternoon honoring Mrs. Thalberg and the Thalberg Foundation. Guests observed all classrooms and saw technology in action. It was a great success.

Each classroom library was doubled in size. The classroom library is the pivotal point for Readers Workshop. It is imperative that they contain enough selections per level to increase a child's reading growth. Grants, activity funds, and PTO donations made this all possible.

Interventions

Our math and literacy support systems were vital to student successes. The 1.2 literacy tutors and the two math tutors provided explicit instruction to students needing intensive support. Our math tutors worked with individuals and small groups. They held after-school math clubs and focused on problem-solving, math applications, measurement and estimation. Other interventions that were successful include EIP, SRBI, smaller grade level teams concentrating on data collection and analysis to drive instruction and the creation of intervention plans, differentiation, CMT boost groups and phonics boost groups. Our Kinder Clinic met for 10 weeks (one hour per session) and serviced 16 students. The students made great gains during the course of the clinic. Post-assessments were administered, analyzed and distributed to teachers and parents. Conferences were also held and materials were provided to parents to utilize at home.

School Business Partnerships included BJ's, University of Connecticut, Oak Hill School, Southington High School, Bank North and all of the Southington Nurseries. One of the most successful accomplishments centered on UConn, Oak Hill, Southington Education Foundation and Southington High School all of whom assisted us to develop the Teaching Garden which branched out to include Master Gardeners. The donation of a compost container was made by the

Southington High School Wood Shop students. The Southington Education Foundation contributed a \$500 grant.

Contributing to our Community

Baskets for Soldiers: Baskets made by our students for soldiers returning from the Middle East containing books that could be read to their children.

The Thalberg Team – Legion: Raised \$950.00 that was divided between the Bread for Life and The Wounded Warrior Project through the STEP IT UP Fundraiser. We logged in 1,108,488 steps!

Grandparents Day had the largest turnout in eight (8) years with 450 guests in attendance.

Benevolent endeavors included: Monthly food drives for the Bread of Life plus over \$400 in contributions, Relay for Life, St. Jude's Children Hospital and a Thalberg's Cares clothing donation for the Community.

Ongoing work: We have made substantial gains in reading, mathematics and science. We will be continuing to focus on writing. New initiatives for next year will include three areas: RTI, Asset Building, and Differentiation.

Kindergarten: Fluency and phonemic awareness are two areas of concentration. The students applied the skills to "just right" books. They made extraordinary gains in reading and writing. They are very proud of their accomplishments.

Grade One: Students focused on personal narratives, non-fiction, poetry, in both Readers and Writers Workshops. Shared reading, guided reading and literacy work stations support the literature rich environment.

Grade Two: Predicting, envisioning, inference, using mentor texts and interactive read alouds were areas of concentration. Students increased their reading levels and the length of sustained silent working time. Conferencing in both workshop areas was emphasized.

Grade Three: Non-fiction works were an important area that was incorporated into our instructional strands. Problem-solving and justification of answers were emphasized in mathematics.

Grade Four: Improvement was sought in making reader/text connections and the examination of content and structure. Book Clubs flourished. In mathematics number sense, approximating measures and math applications were emphasized.

Grade Five: Improving strand responses in reading, Book Clubs, Readers' Theater, as well as genres such as historical fiction, biographies, and social issues were concentrated on. Students composed and refined their Expository Writing by use of conferencing. Fractions, decimals and percentages were important areas that were covered. Science Fair projects were displayed and judged (by classroom teachers and Dale Riedinger, Math/Science Coordinator).

ELECTION DEPARTMENT

The Election Department is responsible, under the Office of the Secretary of the State, to register voters, maintain all voter records, and conduct all elections, primaries and referenda under federal, state and local regulations. It is also mandated that our office yearly hold a canvass of voters to make certain our voting list is up to date and accurate. We annually do this in conjunction with the US Postal Service National Change of Address service, which notifies us of those voters who have filed address changes with the Post Office since the past year. The motor vehicles department also keeps us advised of changes of address during the year. This service is critical in keeping our voter records current.

There was a modest decline in our voting list numbers in 2011 for the municipal election. The decline was less than it has been in the past and is in part as result of our canvass activities where voters who have left Southington have been taken off our active list.

In the past we have held mock elections with such subjects as naming our national bird (Derynoski School) and retaining the middle school honor society (DePaolo Middle School) as well as a mock Presidential Election (Southington High School and Boy Scouts). In May 2011 we held a mock referendum during our yearly mandated high school voter session. We look forward to holding more of these mock elections for young people as they are always very excited to get an opportunity to campaign and vote. We hope this establishes a future pattern of voter participation.

The 2010 election again featured our new voting technology. We regularly use scanner type voting tabulators and only require one per polling place. Voters take a paper ballot into a privacy booth or table and vote for their candidates by filling in the oval in the square having the candidate's name. This is much the same as an SAT test or a lottery ticket. The voter will then put the ballot into the scanning tabulator and they will be finished voting. It is an exciting technology mandated by the Federal Government under the Help America Vote Act of 2002. We believe voters will continue to find it easier and quicker than the previous lever machines. It allows us more flexibility to bring the machines to senior centers, schools and the library for demonstrations. We have held various elections, referenda and primaries and the results were very successful. After a very short learning curve the voters took to the new procedure with enthusiasm. The equipment worked without problems and voters appeared to be pleased with the new process.

The accuracy of the tabulators is monitored after every election by an audit where some district ballots are hand counted and the results compared to the tabulator counts. In all instances the totals are exactly the same attesting to the accuracy of the machines.

One handicap accessible machine per polling place is in place for all elections, primaries and referenda.. We are dedicated to the premise that every voter deserves the right to vote privately and independently and work hard to make it possible.

We held our mandated voter registration session at Southington High School where students who will have reached their 18th birthday by Election Day registered to vote. The feeling of lawmakers was that getting them on the registered rolls before they go away to college will encourage them to be voters at election time and it does work as we see a goodly number of college students requesting absentee ballots. We also held the aforementioned mock referendum during the session.

During 2011 we learned that we would no longer be able to use North Center School as a polling place. As a result we decided, with the town council's approval, to eliminate District 7, moving the voters to both District 3 (Derynoski School) and District 6 (DePaolo Middle School) with most voters moving to DePaolo. In the realignment we also moved some voters from DePaolo to Hatton. All voters involved will be advised by mail of the change twice as well as by press releases and web site announcements. The move will better utilize our polling place capabilities. We expect a statewide redistricting at the end of 2011 and will most likely have more changes to our voting districts as a result.

We continued our town participation in the state Converse system which posts all Southington voters on the state computer. All towns in Connecticut now participate in the system. It assures that people will be registered in only one town in the state and makes it easier to transfer the registration of new voters from their old town to Southington. All of our computers are now tied into the state system. We have been converted over to the state's browser based registry system which makes access quicker. The system is being completely revamped and Southington will be one of 2 towns in the state to test it before its general release. We enthusiastically await this event.


We regularly maintain a very elaborate web page on the internet with answers to the most frequently asked questions, of general interest, on registering and voting. Around election time we post the names of candidates and some information about the nature of the election, primary or referendum. We urge all voters to bring up our web pages as they contain vital information about voting and where the voter can check his/her own voter record to make certain the information we have is the most timely and accurate. This is particularly useful to avoid any delays at the very busy polling places.

Our web address is <http://www.southington.org>. At our web site you can check your voter registration information and e-mail any changes, ask any questions you have on voting and express opinions. As a result of our e-mail correspondence new "how to" information is


periodically added about the mechanics of voting. You can also find the names and addresses of your elected state and federal officials.

The following is the number of voters who voted during the past four elections:
2007 Local Election (Southington) 8,211 voters or 31% of those eligible to vote at that time.
2008 Presidential Election 22,669 voters or 79% of those eligible to vote at that time.
2009 Local election (Southington) 8,058 voters or 28.9 of those eligible to vote at that time.
2010 Governor's Election (State) 16,545 voters or 60% of those eligible to vote at that time.

The 2007 local election brought out a higher number of voters than the 2009 local election; however, the 31% turnout is still very disappointing. We hope that participation in the 2011 local election will increase as voters realize that all our elections are very important to our everyday lives.



EDWARD M. MALCZYK
REGISTRAR OF VOTERS



ROBERT L. SHERMAN
REGISTRAR OF VOTERS

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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

Some of the major projects undertaken by the Engineering Department during the fiscal year from July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011 are listed below:

- 1) Due to age and deterioration, the roof on the Community Services Building at 91 Norton Street was replaced. The low bid was \$28,790 by H S Roofing Systems of Waterbury, CT.
- 2) As part of the Homeland Security requirements, an emergency generator was designed and installed at Calendar House. This location will act as the emergency shelter for the Town. As of this writing, the low bid of \$61,713 is being accomplished by Central Electric & Generator of Cheshire, CT.
- 3) The Town Clerk's vault has become very congested. The Clerk requested that the stairwell in the existing vault be modified to provide more floor space on the first floor. A design was prepared, and the construction was accomplished by Pinney Construction Co. at a bid price of \$28,790.
- 4) The Police Department building on Lazy Lane experienced problems with their underground fuel tanks. A design was prepared to repair the defects in the tanks and the project put out to bid. Environmental Tank Technology was low bidder at \$30,720, and the project was underway at the end of the Fiscal Year.
- 5) As part of the stimulus program, two roadways were repaved. Mt. Vernon Road from Prospect Street to West Center Street, and South End Road from Route 322 to Mulberry Street. These were 100% reimbursable projects. Project was done under a low bid by Quality Associates of East Haven, CT, at \$650,507.50.
- 6) An expansion of the Library Parking Lot was underway at the end of the Fiscal Year. Low bid for the project by B&W Paving & Landscaping of Mystic, CT is \$331,143. The project will provide 96 additional spaces for visitors to the Library.
- 7) The Engineering Department designed the development of the Drive-in park. This will be a park for athletic fields, pavilion, and drive-in movies. The Town appropriated \$400,000, and the Engineering Department along with Park Board member Joe LaPorte directed the construction.

- 8) As part of the Drive-In development, a community pavilion was designed by the Engineering Department and put out to bid. During the year, construction was underway from low bidder Mastrobattisto at \$260,000.
- 9) During the Fiscal Year the Engineering Department did considerable work on the North Center School conversion to Town offices. A site plan was reviewed and perfected for the future use. Borghesi Building & Engineering of Torrington will do the construction and renovate the building.
- 10) During the Fiscal Year design continued for the reconstruction of Mt. Vernon Road from West Center Street to Roaring Brook. The project is anticipated to be paid for by State and Federal Grants of 90% with 10% being paid for by the Town.
- 11) As part of the Mt. Vernon Road reconstruction, a design was prepared for the improvement of Whitman Road. This area has been a constant maintenance problem, and the improvement includes installation of modern drainage and partial pavement to stabilize the area. This portion of the project is estimated at \$345,000 and will be paid for 100% by the Town.
- 12) During the Fiscal Year design continued for the renovations to the West Queen Street Bridge over the Quinnipiac River. Preliminary Engineer's estimate is \$972,000 and will be funded with 80% Grant from the Federal government. TranSystems of Watertown, CT is doing the design work.
- 13) During the Fiscal Year WMC Engineering completed the design for the Old Mountain Road Bridge improvement. The Engineer's estimate is \$930,000 and the project is eligible for a 32% State Grant.
- 14) During the Fiscal Year the linear trail from West Main Street to the Cheshire Town line was constructed. This was done through a 100% stimulus Grant from the Federal government. The low bid by Schultz Construction was \$1,427,000 and construction was nearing completion at the end of the Fiscal Year.
- 15) As part of the Town's economic development, a State Grant was obtained for the construction of Triano Drive on Lazy Lane. This will provide industrial lots for future development and addition to the tax base. During the year the project was bid. Low bidder was Double C Construction of Rocky Hill, CT, at \$298,421 and the construction is underway.
- 16) Widening and improvements of the Newell/Redstone/Aircraft Road areas were underway during the Fiscal Year. This will help the Town's economic development.
- 17) The Police Station server room was experiencing overheating due to an abundance of equipment and insufficient air conditioning. A design was prepared and the project put out to bid. The low bidder was Perfectemp of Plantsville, CT,

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at \$50,675. Construction of this project was underway at the end of the Fiscal Year.

SANITARY SEWERS

- 1) During the year, 157 sanitary sewer permits were issued.
- 2) Construction of the Southington wastewater Denitrification Plant was completed during the year. This was part of a State-wide effort to clean up Long Island Sound and Connecticut's rivers. A 30% State Grant was given to the Town.
- 3) During the year, the Marion Highlands sewer interceptor and lateral sewers were completed. This involved a 10-inch sanitary sewer interceptor from Panthorn Park northwesterly to Mt. Vernon Road and then 8" lines servicing parts of Mt. Vernon Road, Roseanna Road, Lagana Avenue, Humiston Brook Drive, and Hickory Hill Road.
- 4) During the Fiscal Year the construction of an interceptor from Mill Street to Farmstead Road was designed and put out to bid. This will eliminate an old river crossing which is substandard. The project was bid at \$187,459.50 by Catco Construction of Bristol, CT.
- 5) During the Fiscal Year design continued for the Spring Street sanitary sewer interceptor which will cross the Quinnipiac River. The project is estimated to cost \$225,000.
- 6) A consultant was hired to investigate the infiltration on the upper Misery Brook sewer system. Camp, Dresser & McKee did the design work and is nearing completion on a design for rehabilitation of the system.
- 7) Work was begun on the design for the Queen Street Pump Station replacement. Historically we have had considerable flooding problems at this station. The mechanicals are approximately 35 years old, and maintenance is becoming excessive. The estimated cost is \$930,000.
- 8) Planning and design work were started for the Plantsville Settling Tank Removal. These tanks in downtown Plantsville are approximately 100 years old and are beginning to have structural problems. The tanks serve no useful purpose. Woodard & Curran was selected to do the design for \$9,400.
- 9) A design was prepared for the replacement of the Waste Treatment Plant influent pump station roof. The roof leaked badly and Preiss/Breismeister Architects was hired to do the design. The low bidder was Statewide Renovation at \$76,840.97.
- 10) HRP Consultants was hired to design a fuel tank removal and replacement project at the Waste Treatment Plant. The low bidder on the project was HLC

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Excavating of Woodbury, CT, for \$142,027.50. As of this writing, the improvements are underway.

- 11) Preliminary planning was done for the Old Borough sanitary interceptor rehab. The line is approximately 100 years old and is experiencing occasional backups and I & I problems. Television, cleaning, and repair of the interceptor was accomplished. Design work was underway to prepare the bid documents for rehabilitation.
- 12) Planning and preliminary design were underway for the future extension of sewers along the Eight Mile River to the northwest corner of Town. This project known as the West Side Sanitary Interceptor is being designed for future installation to encourage economic development in the northwest corner.
- 13) At the end of the Fiscal Year, a search was underway for a consultant to do a thorough examination of the existing Waste Treatment Plant and to address the upcoming phosphorus requirement from the State of Connecticut.
- 14) Progress continued on the characterization of the Phase IV PCB pollution at the Waste Treatment Plant. GZA was hired to do this work.
- 15) As part of the denitrification process at the Plant, a surging problem occurred with the hydraulics. Woodard & Curran was hired to design a solution and the design was completed. The project was put out to bid and the low bidder was LaRosa Construction of Meriden, CT, at \$94,049.

EXCAVATION PERMITS

During the year, 188 excavation permits were issued. These are for road openings required for utility installations.

SUBDIVISIONS

There were 4 subdivisions approved during the year.

SITE PLANS

34 site plans were reviewed during the year.

ZONING PERMITS

Zoning permits reviewed as part of the Planning and Zoning process totaled 451.

EARTH EXCAVATION PERMITS

Earth excavation permits approved during the year numbered 5.

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SPECIAL PERMIT USE APPLICATION

Special permit use applications reviewed and approved totaled 11.

FLOOD PLAIN FILLING

There were 3 flood plain filling applications and approvals.

INLAND WETLANDS

12 Inland Wetland approvals and permits were granted.

ACCEPTED NEW STREETS – 2010-2011

<u>Street Name</u>	<u>Length of Street (ft.)</u>	<u>Acceptance Date</u>
Amber Lane	650 feet	1/10/11
Honey Lane	675 feet	12/16/10
Hubeny Drive	370 feet	8/23/10
Knights Court	1,350 feet	5/3/11
Prosperity Court	<u>335 feet</u>	1/4/11

3,380 feet = .64 miles

SUBDIVISIONS UNDERWAY DURING FISCAL YEAR

Merry Oaks Estates
 Mountain View Farms
 Recko Farms – Empress Drive
 Laurelwood Estates – Phase 2
 Sorbello Estates - Farmstead Road
 Pine Hollow Estates Sections II and III - West Pines Drive Extension
 Trotters Crossing – Pacer Lane

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INTRODUCTION

It was a demanding year for the Southington Fire Department, where we experienced an extraordinary increase in call volume. The Department responded to 2,284 calls for service, an increase of 472 calls, which is 26% over last year's incidents. There were many times throughout the year when the Department's manpower was stretch extremely thin. However, our firefighters did an outstanding job with the limited resources they had at their disposal. The Department would also like to thank the surrounding towns that assisted by sending men and apparatus to stand by during our emergencies.

The Town of Southington, along with the rest of the state, endured a harsh winter with record snow fall and low temperatures. The record amount of snow fall created safety issues on many homes and business roofs, stressing the structural integrity of many buildings. The added stress resulted in roof failures throughout the town. The Department worked diligently to help the businesses affected to get them back in operation.

The residents of Southington also experienced a number of tragic fires where homes were lost and loved ones were injured. Thankfully, no lives were lost due to fire.

The Department identified four structure fires that were attributed to arson. Three of the four arson fires resulted in the arsonist being identified and charges filed. This was accomplished by our firefighters, fire investigators and the Southington Police Department working cohesively together.

A new Accountability System was implemented throughout the Department to insure member's safety at all incidents. This program was also adapted by the CERT team.

The Department adopted the FEMA fee schedule to be used when recouping expenses for incidents. The fee schedule is a nationally recognized rating system. The schedule has been used to bill large scale incidents that tied up the Department's resources.

EMERGENCY ACTIVITY

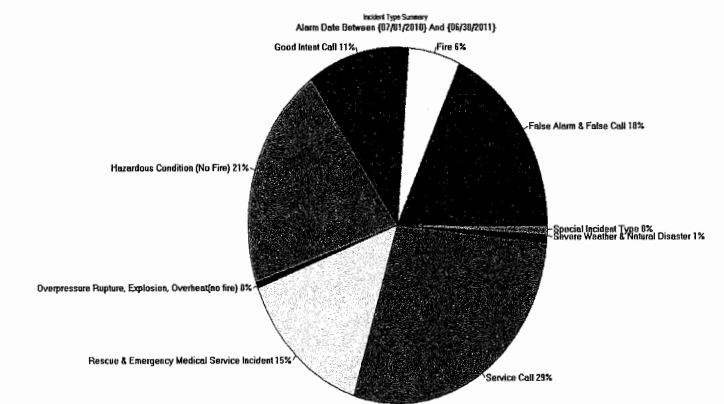


Southington firefighters responded to fires, motor vehicle accidents, medical emergencies, hazardous materials incidents, numerous types of rescue calls, and service

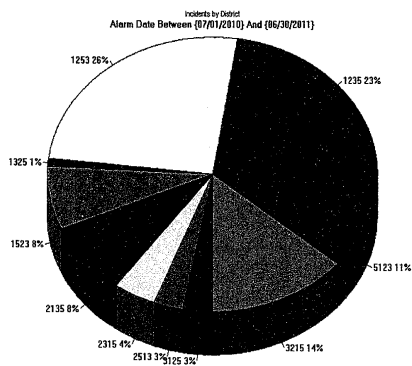
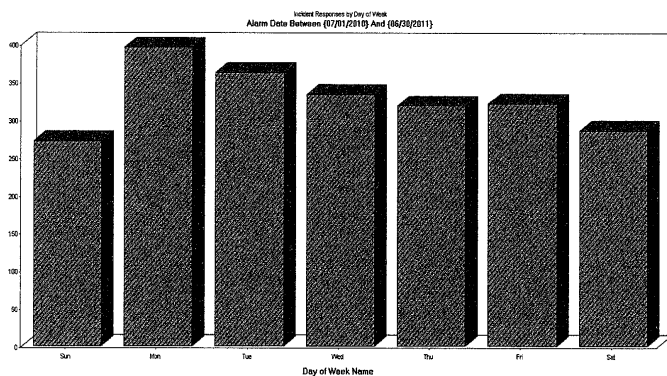
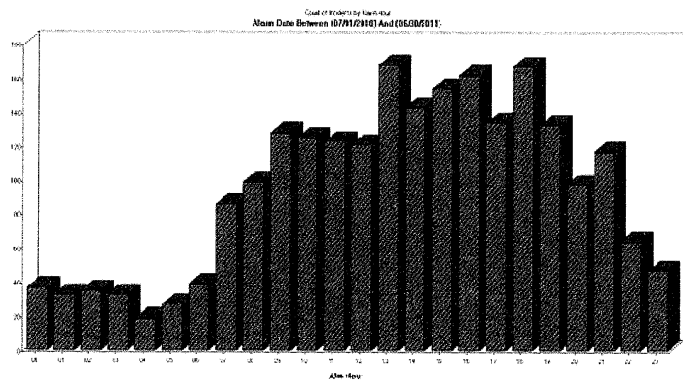
calls that helped our citizens feel safe and secure. The Southington Fire Department operates out of four stations located strategically throughout the town. The Department is manned by a combination of career and volunteer firefighters consisting of thirty-one career firefighters, eighty volunteer firefighters, and nine volunteer fire police. Staffing of career personnel is presently one captain/shift commander, one lieutenant and four firefighters, for a total of six personnel. They are on duty 24 hours, 7 days a week at Fire Headquarters, 310 North Main St. There is one additional career firefighter on duty Monday through Friday during the day at Fire Headquarters. There are six staff positions working Monday through Friday consisting of Chief, Assistant Chief/Fire Marshal, Department Training Officer, Deputy Fire Marshal, and two Inspectors. Company 1 is also stationed at Fire Headquarters, 310 North Main Street and has twenty volunteer firefighters, nine probationary volunteer firefighters and two fire police. Company 2, located at 130 West Main Street, has twenty-two volunteer firefighters, five probationary volunteer firefighters, three fire police and one probationary fire police. Company 3, located at 35 Clark Street, has fifteen volunteer firefighters, one probationary volunteer firefighter and one fire police. Company 5, located at 75 River Street, has eleven firefighters, one probationary volunteer firefighter and two fire police.

The Departments emergency activity comprised of a twelve percent increase in Fire Incidents, a twenty percent decrease in Overpressure Rupture, Explosion, Overheat Incidents, an eighty two percent increase in Rescue and Emergency Medical Service Incident calls, a twenty-eight percent increase in Hazardous Condition Incidents, a thirty-three percent increase in Good Intent Calls, a twelve percent increase in False Alarm and False Calls, a seven hundred fifty percent increase in Severe Weather and Natural Disaster incidents, and a seventy-five percent decrease in Special Incident Types.

The following graphs depict the breakdown of incidents by type, alarm date, day of the week, and district:



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COMPANIES WERE EQUIPPED AS FOLLOWS:

Headquarters and Company #1

Engine #11	1999 Pierce Pumper
Engine #12	1991 Pierce Pumper
Ladder #1	2007 Pierce Tower
Rescue #1	2005 Pierce Heavy Rescue
Rescue #2	2005 Freightliner
Car #1	2010 Ford Explorer
Car #2	2004 Ford Explorer
Car #3	2006 Ford Expedition
Car #4	2004 Ford Expedition
Car #5	2004 Ford Explorer
Car #6	2005 Ford Expedition
Car #7	2001 Ford Crown Victoria
Brush #1	1990 Ford Pickup
Utility	1999 Dodge Pickup

Engine Company #2, Plantsville

Engine #21	1999 Pierce Pumper
Engine #22	1990 Pierce Tanker
Brush #2	1976 Dodge Mini Pumper

Engine Company #3, Milldale

Engine #31	1998 Pierce Pumper
Engine #32	1988 Pierce Telesquirt
Ladder #2	1993 Pierce Tower

Engine Company #5, North End

Engine #51	1999 Pierce Pumper
Engine #52	1989 Maxim Pumper

MILESTONE

In January 2011, a program to train new volunteer members entering the Department was started. This program was designed to continue the Fire Departments mission to recruit and retain volunteer firefighters. This program will be held twice annually with the hope of attracting 20 new members per year. It was designed to map out firefighter development over a four (4) year period and to ensure that the Department meets the required minimum training for Connecticut fire services set by Connecticut Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) and state regulations. In addition to the OSHA regulations, the program also includes training in areas such as: Department organization, policy and procedures, national incident management (NIMS), CPR and basic first aid, and emergency vehicle operations. Training will be conducted in house as well as using outside agencies such as the Connecticut Fire Academy (CFA) and Wolcott State Fire

School (WSFS). Recently nine (9) members graduated from the program and it has proven to be very successful. Currently eight (8) new recruits are enrolled in the program.

Chief Harold L. Clark

FIRE PREVENTION

The Fire Prevention and Inspection Bureau were very active. The duties of the Inspection Bureau increased this year from 2,592 in the fiscal year 2009-2010, to 2,684 in fiscal year 2010-2011. The Bureau participated in well over 100 public safety programs aimed at educating students, residents and businesses alike on topics such as fire safety, storm preparedness and fire extinguisher training.

The Fire Marshal's office investigated over 1,000 incidents and submitted 2,284 reports to the State of Connecticut Fire Marshal's Office. The Bureau continues to find new ways to utilize the Department's software technology.



The Bureau sponsored the annual "Fire Prevention Poster" contest in conjunction with the State of Connecticut. The Bureau is proud to announce that two Southington residents, fourth grader Carolyn DelDebbio, pictured above on the left and 5th grader Brandon Kohl, pictured above in the center, were winners for Hartford County.



Pictured above are all four local winners on the 2010 annual poster contest: Mary Bilodeau 4th grade second place, Mahima Mehta 5th grade second place, Carolyn DelDebbio 4th grade first place and Brandon Kohl 5th grade first place.

Assistant Chief/Fire Marshal Thomas R. Wisner

TRAINING DIVISION



It is the goal of the Southington Fire Department Training Division to identify areas of need and develop training programs to assist our members to become more proficient in emergency service delivery, customer service, emergency incident management, safety, fire prevention, public safety education, personnel management and supervisory leadership.

Safety is our top priority. The best way to create a safe environment, especially in dangerous and high stress incidents, is through comprehensive training programs. Annual training consists of ongoing educational programs for firefighters in firefighting, hazardous materials and infectious disease control that meet required minimum training

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for Connecticut Fire Services and state regulations set by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration. These programs satisfy our many licensure requirements, as well as providing new training for firefighters and fire officers. These programs enhance the knowledge and skills required to protect our members and effectively provide a wide range of emergency services to our citizens. These creative training programs serve as a great retention method for volunteer firefighters.

While the vast majority of our training is conducted by members of our own Department, members are able to receive and continue to take advantage of programs provided by outside agencies, such as the Connecticut Fire Academy, Wolcott State Fire Training Center, Hartford County Fire School, FEMA, and the National Fire Academy. These agencies provide training in certain specialty areas, including all EMS training and state and national certification courses.

In response to a Homeland Security Presidential Directive/HSPD-5, all Southington Fire Department members continue to receive their certification in FEMA's Emergency Management Institute's National Incident Management System Training.

The Department participated in, or conducted over 500 different classes. We will continue to develop new programs that fit the needs of our membership and continue our mission to provide specialized and technical rescue training which prepares us to handle the increased ever changing demand for service in our community.

In 2010, the training room at Fire Headquarters was upgraded with four computer workstations, new televisions and storage cabinets. These upgrades have provided a more comfortable learning environment and the computer work stations have allowed members to complete online training programs. Currently a resource library is being created to allow firefighters, officers, and training instructors resources necessary to keep members up-to-date with the latest training techniques. New projectors and screens were purchased to upgrade the training rooms at Stations 2, 3 and 5.

Firefighting is always listed among the most dangerous occupations every year. Obviously, the level of danger and risk changes with the complexity of the incident. Factors that contribute to the complexity of an incident include the weather, time of day, type of construction, number of people involved, level of experience and knowledge of the crews on the scene, and the resources available, just to name a few. The Southington Fire Department strives to be a leader in the state to provide training to increase the skills and knowledge of every member of the Department to provide better service to the community.

Captain Training Officer Scott DiBattista

CERT

The Southington Citizens Corp Program (CERT) continues to be a useful resource for our town. At this time there are 109 certified team members who have been trained meeting Connecticut Department of Emergency Management Homeland Security (DEMHS)

guidelines. A 60-person strike team can be formed in 20 minutes and can be deployed to help with search and rescue, disaster mitigation, and emergency services. The Mountain Bike Search and Rescue Team are formally operational and have been used during the year for a mountain search and rescue. CERT members have assisted Health Department with their annual flu clinic and opened a cold weather shelter at the Calendar House during a power outage. The team has been supported financially through several grants from DEMHS. A recruitment class is planned for October 2011.

Captain Peter Kurtz

RECOGNITION

Lieutenant Thomas Donnelly was honored for his service to the community by receiving the Elks Public Safety Award.

FF Glenn Dube continues to educate town residents on fire prevention through the program he developed for the school PTO's. The program promotes families developing a plan for fire safety.

The 2011 elections of company officers resulted in the following appointments:

Company 1

Captain - August Riedinger
1st Lt. – Dean Voisine
2nd Lt. – Matthew Wisniewski

Company 2

Captain – Fred Ottalagana
1st Lt. – Richard Kowalec
2nd Lt. – Douglas Kalwat

Company 3

Captain – Michael Casey
1st Lt. – Jonathan Block
2nd Lt. – Joel Munson

Company 5

Captain – Al Urso, Jr.
1st Lt. – Liam O'Brien
2nd Lt. – Michael Hughes

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

Election of officers resulted in the election of Robert Sherman as Chairman, Ann Dandrow as Vice Chairman and Mary Baker as Secretary.

The Board thanks all members of the Department for their dedicated service.

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

Robert Sherman, Chairman
Ann Dandrow, Vice Chairman
Mary Baker, Secretary
Dolores Longo
Guss Nevelos



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REGISTERED SANITARIAN

ANNUAL REPORT 2010-2011

The Southington Health Department is staffed with a full-time Director of Health, three professional sanitarians and a secretary. The mission of the Health Department is to: "Prevent. Promote. Protect." -- The health of the community through a number of programs of health promotion, disease prevention, educational and regulatory activities.

Infectious Disease:

The Department tracks 53 infectious diseases or conditions, received 274 reports of 33 infectious or reportable diseases during the year, and provided follow-up and investigation as needed. 59 were sexually transmitted diseases, 36 were enteric disease such as Enterococcus, Salmonellosis or Campylobacter disease, 1 Carbon Monoxide poisoning. 46 cases of Hepatitis C and 47 cases of Influenza were reported.

In September and October, 114 Town employees received flu shots. 504 Board of Education employees were provided immunizations in a separate program. A total of 618 doses of seasonal flu shots were dispensed to Town and Board of Education employees.

Seasonal flu shots are widely available from local pharmacies and the Visiting Nurses Association.

Fees and Income:

A total of \$43,293 was collected by the Department in fees for Public Health services and activities:

Subsurface Sewage Disposal	\$4,860
Soil testing and plan review	5,138
Food Service	27,995
Well Permits	550
Public Bathing Pools	175
Daycare Centers and Convalescent homes	750
Barbershops and beauty parlors	3,825

Environmental Health:

All foodservice establishments and vendors in Southington are licensed and inspected in accordance with Section 19-13 of the Connecticut Public Health Code and Section 9 of the Town Ordinances. The frequency of inspection of each establishment depends on the presence of potentially hazardous foods and on the complexity of the operation. 258 individual permits for foodservice establishments, vendors and special events were issued during FY 2009-2010.

Notices of Violation (Orders) Issued	-	11
Off Hours Fire Calls (Director)	-	9
Foodservice Activities:		
Routine inspections	-	557

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"Salus populi suprema est lex." - Cicero

Reinspections	-	12
Complaint Inspections	-	38
Preopening Inspections	-	52
Licensee Inservice Training	-	2
Child Care Facilities:		
Routine (relicensing)	-	14
Proposed facilities	-	6
Childhood Lead Poisoning:		
Epidemiologic Investigation	-	5
Consultations	-	17
Private Water Supply Wells:		
Well Plan Review	-	33
Complaint Inspections	-	1
Water Samples Taken	-	9
Review New Well Samples	-	30
Recreational Health:		
Public Pool Inspections	-	15
Bathing Area Inspections	-	2
Water Samples	-	1
Hair/Barber/Nail Salons	-	63
Subsurface Sewage Disposal Systems:		
Plan Reviews (total)	-	68
Soil Testing (total)	-	84
Final Inspections	-	62
Partial inspections	-	58
Additions/Pools, plan review	-	139
Additions/Pools, inspections	-	33
Complaint Investigations	-	15
Housing Services:		
Complaint Investigations (total)	-	65
Environmental Nuisances:		
Garbage/Refuse	-	48
Sewage	-	5
Indoor air quality	-	16
Outdoor air quality	-	9
Vermin	-	16

The Annual household Hazardous Waste Collection Day was held on September 18, 2010. Southington residents may also bring household hazardous wastes to Berlin, Bristol, Burlington, New Britain, Plainville, Plymouth, Prospect and Wolcott on their respective collection days. Total program cost for the year was \$34,454.00.

Director of Health Activities:

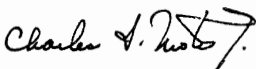
A partial listing of activities over the past year includes: continued enhancement of certain databases such as BAS Integrated Complaint files, Restaurant files, Infectious Disease reporting and Smallpox volunteer listings. These databases allow direct and remote access to some databases by staff members, in order to enhance productivity and reporting. The Department continues to utilize \$5,524.00 in federal Block Grant money for a physical activity

program. An augmented grant for \$153,345.00 from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) was used to study and improve department readiness and response to potential Bioterrorism and for H1N1 Influenza pandemic planning, along with an additional grant of \$5,000 for Cities Readiness Initiative (Capitol Region). The Director of Health serves on the EMS Committee for the Town (Chair), as Deputy Emergency Services Director for the Town, on the North Central CT MED Communications Committee (Chair), NCEMS Commission (Executive Committee), the state Health Alert Network (HAN), as adjunct faculty at the UConn School of Medicine, Co-Chair of the Health Commissioner's Focus E Subcommittee on Communications (ERCC) and the Management Committee, as a member of the Public Health Emergency Preparedness-Essential Services Committee of the National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO) and since June 2006, as a Governor's Appointee to the Connecticut Emergency Medical Services Advisory Committee. The Health Department has a home page on the Town's Website (see the bottom of the page for the URL). Complaints, questions and comments can be emailed directly to the Health Director at motesc@southington.org.

The Director and the Departmental staff have invested a significant amount of time over the fiscal year in Bioterrorism planning and training. Hundreds of hours have been spent in maintaining the Public Health Emergency Preparedness and Response Plan and portions of the Town's Emergency Operations Plan, updated security plans, clinic plans and a plan for immunizing all school-age children, exercising the Town's Public Health Emergency Response plan, the local Health Alert Network and other local, state and regional emergency drills. In addition, work has continued towards developing a regional response plan, a fully functional local HAN is updated annually, along with the Health and Medical Care Annex (Annex H) of the Town Emergency Operations Plan. Public Health staff is trained in the Incident Command and Universal Command Systems and is fully NIMS (National Incident Management System) compliant. The Director of Health maintains membership in the Capitol Region Incident Management Team IMT-3 (Planning Section), having completed training for All Hazards Incident Management and Command and General Staff.

In April, the Town of Southington and the Town of Plainville passed Ordinances enabling the two towns to merge their respective Health Departments into one "Regional" Health Department. The new department, named the Plainville-Southington Regional Health District, becomes a fully operational Health Department serving the two towns on July 1, 2011. The current Health Department offices will remain in their current locations at 93 Main Street, Southington and 1 Central Square, Plainville. All employees of the two former departments will remain with the new District. The telephone numbers and access to the department will remain the same. Overall costs to the two towns will be reduced immediately. A portion of operating costs for the District will be paid by the state of Connecticut through the state Department of Public Health. Services formerly provided by the individual departments will be continued by the District, and enhanced beginning on July 1st, when the District becomes effective.

Respectfully Submitted,



Charles I. Motes, Jr., M.S., M.P.H., R.S.
Director of Health

Town of Southington

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ANNUAL REPORT

Report of the Southington Highway Department's accomplishments for the fiscal year July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011.

The 2010/2011 season was a busy one for the Highway Department. The need for maintenance services continues to increase as our infrastructure continues to age. The number of catch basins that need to be repaired or rebuilt is steadily increasing along with the increasing needs in all areas including detention pond maintenance, sight line improvements, roadside mowing, and roadside trash pickup to name a few.

This past year also provided the opportunity to accomplish some projects that were long overdue. The rebuilding of the intersection of Flanders Street at Route 10 provides for a much safer condition and the drainage improvements and rebuilding of Prel Court has brought a long standing water issue to a close for the residents of that area.

The Highway Department was also very involved in the construction of the Drive-In/Pavilion Complex. The department provided manpower, equipment, materials, and their expertise to help in providing a facility to be enjoyed by all the Town's residents.

Although the Transfer Station continues to be a busy place, the number of vehicles using the station as well as the tonnage of material disposed of, continues to decrease. This trend can be attributed to the implementation of the permit system which has greatly reduced the fraudulent use of the facility by non-residents.

This year, 20,350 vehicles passed through the facility. This is a 17% decrease from last year. We disposed of 1,372 tons of burnable waste and 570 tons of demolition debris this year. These amounts reflect a 20% and 22% reduction from last year respectively.

The hauling of waste material by Town forces with the equipment we purchased continues to pay huge dividends. Our initial investment for this program was \$160,315 for the purchase of the haul truck and dumpsters. To date, the return on our investment is \$155,600 in vendor cost savings, a 97% payback.

During the 2010/2011 construction season all of the department's heavy equipment and trucks were utilized with the additional rental of a backhoe,, a bulldozer, a mower, a mini-excavator, two vac-alls, a loader, a skid steer loader, and a mini truck.

The 2010/2011 Leaf Program began on November 1, 2010 and was completed on December 6, 2010. The program was completed ahead of schedule and under budget. Equipment utilized this year included 2 Town owned Vac-Alls, 2 rented Town staffed Vac-Alls, and 10 Vac-Alls with Operators rented from Janet's Sweeping and Pye, Inc.

2010/2011 saw 25% of the Town's Catch Basins cleaned, 15% less than last year. Two Town owned Vac-Alls were utilized. One for 66 days, which was 21 days less than last fiscal year and one for 0 days, which was 7 days less than last fiscal year. The need for regular cleaning is being reduced by the use of salt only for winter operations.

The Highway Department's Crews reconstructed all driveway aprons and re-seeded all disturbed areas where new overlays were applied to town roads.

The roads listed below were repaved and required a total of 8,822.04 tons of Class II & 565.86 tons of Class I material:

Flanders Street (Rte. 10-Lincoln Drive)	Parkview Drive (Charles St.-Lois Ave.)
Glenn Drive	Preli Court
North Pleasant Street (Flanders St.-400' north of Loper St.)	West Street (West Main St.-West Center St.)
Old Turnpike Road (Mulberry St.-Carter Lane)	Woodruff Street (Berlin Ave.-Pleasant St.)

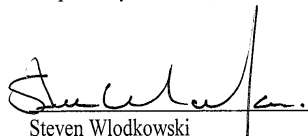
From November 8, 2010 through March 4, 2011, the winter season had our crew out for 68 days plowing, sanding, cutting ice from roadways, clearing catch basins, clearing waterways, removing snow from downtown areas. This is an increase of 14 days more than last winter season. 4,900 tons of salt were purchased. Winter storm damage repairs took 18 days to pick up and replace curb, and 1 day to repair driveways. Our employees did an outstanding job performing a service that is crucial for the Town.

The Sweeping Program began on April 1, 2011 and was completed on May 1, 2011. All town roads were cleared of winter sand. A Contractor, Janet's Sweeping, was brought in with 2 sweepers with operators to supplement our two sweepers allowing for a quicker completion of this project which enables the department to work in other areas.

A patch crew handled all potholes called in by residents and the Police Department. A brush crew handled clearing sight lines for vehicle traffic and our mower was out for 91 days cutting down grass and small brush on town property that borders the roads.

2010/2011 was a challenging year as we are continually asked to do more with less. The pride and professionalism of the Highway Department staff however continues to allow the meeting of these challenges while continuing to improve efficiency and providing documentable cost savings.

Respectfully submitted,


Steven Wlodkowski
Highway Superintendent



Southington Historical Society

239 Main Street, Southington, Connecticut

During the 2010-11 year, the Southington Historical Society finished celebrating its 45th anniversary year by unveiling the Civil War Exhibit, a display that focused on and honored the more than 300 local residents who served in the war between the North and the South that lasted from 1861 to 1865. The committee, headed by Robert W. Cusano, past president of the historical society, attracted more than 1,100 visitors to see the exhibit from the date it began in early March 2011, to when it was dismantled in late June 2011.

The fall of 2010 saw the resurrection of the society's Thursday lecture series, the most popular being a genealogy workshop held jointly with the Southington Genealogical Society. More than 40 people attended the event, held Oct. 14, 2010. Other fall lectures included member Betty Arcano giving an Oct. 21 demonstration of what it may have been like to attend one-room schoolhouses in 1774 and an Oct. 28 panel discussion of local and area veterans who were also honored for their military service.

The lectures and programs continued in early 2011 to coincide with the Civil War Exhibit. Dr. Ira Spar gave a talk on improvements in medicine and what was done to treat wounds received during the Civil War. An Abraham Lincoln impersonator spoke at another event.

The historical society continues its efforts to be a significant historical resource in the community. Our new Website -- www.southingtonhistory.org -- provides information on when the society's museum at 239 Main St. is open and what programs and historical events are ahead. The group's officers and board of directors have provided assistance to local individuals and groups doing historical research and presented commemorative plaques to Southington organizations celebrating milestones, including the 100th anniversary of the Sons of Italy, the 125th anniversary of the Grange and the 150th anniversary of St. Thomas Church.

I do not do this alone and am assisted by a competent and diligent board and officers who are serving in the 2011-12 year -- Fern Wildman-Schrier, vice president; Cynthia Martel, treasurer; Claire DeFrancesco, recording secretary; Carl Sokolowski, corresponding secretary; Arthur Secondo, liaison to the town council; and Lisa Jansson, membership chairperson. I also want to thank Karen Avitabile, who served as recording secretary until July 2011 and remains on our board of directors. Immediate past presidents are Cusano and Brian Donohue.

The historical society still has much to do. I thank you for your patience as we continue to rebuild the organization from the ground up.

Kenneth W. DiMauro, president



Southington Housing Authority

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ANNUAL REPORT 2011

This is the 44th Annual Report of the Housing Authority of the Town of Southington.

The Housing Authority continues to maintain full occupancy of one hundred eighty (180) units of elderly housing. Housing is located at the following sites: General Pulaski Terrace, 6 Carter Lane, Plantsville (16 double units and 24 single units); DiCaprio Forgione Terrace, 408 Main Street, Southington (16 double units and 24 single units); Joseph A. Zdunczyk Terrace, 500 Pleasant Street, Southington (14 double units, 40 single units and 6 handicap units); Lincoln Lewis Terrace, 43 Academy Street, Southington (4 double units, 32 single units and 4 handicap units).

The primary mission of the Authority is to create and preserve affordable housing for elderly individuals on a low income. Housing is also provided to disabled individuals who meet the State of Connecticut guidelines. The yearly income limits correspond to the percentage of area median income established by HUD (currently \$44,950 for single occupancy, and \$51,400 for double occupancy).

Applications are accepted during the months of January and July with the applicants added to a waiting list from which new residents are selected, based on needs and date of application.

The Housing Authority operates under the General Statutes of the State of Connecticut and in compliance with the regulations of the State Department of Economic and Community Development (DECD). The Connecticut Housing Finance Authority (CHFA) oversees the operation of the Housing Authority. Appointment of the five members of the Board of Commissioners is made by the Town Manager. The Commissioners meet on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Room Lincoln-Lewis Terrace, 43 Academy Street, Southington, CT. Once a year the monthly meeting is scheduled at each complex (Pulaski, DiCaprio-Forgione and Zdunczyk Terrace) during the months of April, May or June in their community halls.

The Executive Director's support staff consists of Gail Castiola - Resident Services Coordinator, Stefanie Farkas - Administrative Secretary; Maintenance employees, Bob McBride - Foreman, and Ned Denslow-Maintainer I. Due to the economic times, the resident services coordinator position remains at 30 hours per week and the maintenance supervisor position is vacant. This could not be accomplished without a dedicated and experienced support staff.

The winter of 2010-2011 stretched the demands of all authority employees. For a seven-week period, we cleared snow from parking areas and walks then moved snow to make room for more. To make matters even worse the last three weeks of this period the authority's eight flat roof buildings had all snow removed and twenty pitched roof buildings needed a portion of snow removed. Once snow was on the ground it needed to be clear from walks. The last week of this period the Authority hired three temporary workers. As a result of our efforts, the authority's buildings had no structural damage or roof leaks.

During 2011, the office continued to update computer equipment and software to streamline operations. The Authority continues to take a proactive approach on energy conservation participating in the Small Business Energy Advantage Program to update outside lighting at the authority's four complexes. The maintenance staff prepared 32 apartments for new residents. At Lincoln-Lewis Terrace, in house work continues on replacing wall hung bathroom sinks with new vanities and installing tub cuts (converting a bathtub to a walk-in shower. The work is accomplished along with the daily maintenance issues in the up keep of our complexes. The authority's original complex is Pulaski Terrace (1968). A plan started in 2009 on replacing bathtubs, plumbing fixtures, and tile surrounds with walk-in showers as needed or a minimum of two per year continues.

Capital Improvements include:

The Pulaski Terrace community hall roof replacement - \$23,400.00
Replace and widen maintenance garage bay door - \$4,959.00
Thirty-two inch Ariens Snow thrower - \$2,248.00
Zdunczyk and Pulaski Terrace complex signs - \$1,840.00
Pulaski Terrace walk-in showers - \$6,600.00

All residents were visited and their apartments inspected for preventive maintenance during the year. The maintenance staff performed smoke detectors, emergency lights, exit lighting and call-for-aid equipment testing.

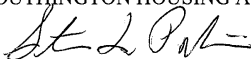
In July, a tenant picnic is held at each complex. The Authority supplies hamburgers, hot dogs and drinks with tenants providing side dishes and dessert. The year ends with a Christmas luncheon hosted by the Rotary Club. Approximately 100 residents attend each event.

The Housing Authority continues its mission in providing safe, decent, and affordable housing while seeking to provide programs and resources to help its residents maintain independent living styles. Staff members attended programs on resident service support and maintenances classes. Bread for Life provides lunch twice a week at Lincoln-Lewis Terrace, once a week at General Pulaski Terrace and Zdunczyk Terrace at no cost to tenants.

I wish to thank the Housing Authority Board of Commissioners for their dedication and commitment in making the authority an asset to our residents and the Town of Southington.

The Authority is thankful for the continued generosity and support of the Town Manager Office, Police Department, Fire Department, Public Works Department, Calendar House, and Community Services, as well as that of our civic leaders and local organizations. All have helped in our providing the highest quality of housing for the residents of the Housing Authority of the Town of Southington.

Respectfully submitted,
SOUTHINGTON HOUSING AUTHORITY



Stephen L. Palmieri, Executive Director
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Southington Library & Museum

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Create! Explore! Engage!

These three words express perfectly the unlimited opportunities Southington citizens were offered through the services and material available at Southington Library & Museum during the past year.

Create!

Every day the Library was full of people busy creating opportunities.

- ☐ Job-searchers came in to use our public computers to create new resumes.
- ☐ Students brought their laptops to use our free Wi-Fi to create dissertations and theses.
- ☐ Innovative cooks borrowed books and magazines to create new recipes.
- ☐ Children attended programs where they created clever crafts and artwork.

Explore!

Southington residents were given the opportunity to explore our world and our town in several new ways using Library resources.

- ☐ Adventurous travelers (or those simply interested in expanding their horizons) took advantage of BYKI, our new foreign language program that offers free online instruction in over 70 languages ranging from Azerbaijani to Zulu and everything in-between.
- ☐ Genealogists explored their family history using Ancestry.com.
- ☐ Young readers explored books together at “Cover to Cover” programs.
- ☐ Readers were able to explore eBooks for free using Overdrive, our new downloadable eBook service.

Engage!

This past year the Library offered programs, receptions and special events that allowed our patrons to engage with one another in diverse and rewarding ways. Here are just a few examples:

- ☐ Best-selling author Stephen Carter engaged over 175 people at the AquaTurf as our 2011 Southington Reads author.
- ☐ Renowned storyteller Valerie Tutson shared stories with a crowd of children and adults to celebrate Black History Month.
- ☐ Artists and art-lovers met at the Library’s annual Celebrate the Arts Exhibit and Reception.
- ☐ Talented children worked together as a cast to present a very special performance of *Cinderella*.
- ☐ Information seekers came in every day to engage our staff in their quest for knowledge.
- ☐ Families visited the Library booth at a STEPS event at Camp Sloper and The Healthy Family Fun Fest at the Aqua Turf.

Here are highlights of each department’s contributions to making the Library Southington’s community center and premier resource for information, lifelong learning and cultural enrichment.

Lending Department

Our Lending Department was busier than ever during the past year* with average daily checkouts increasing to 1284 checkouts/day as compared to 1,273. On Tuesday, July 6th we broke all previous records by checking out 2,727 items!

In an effort to significantly improve the efficiency and accuracy of the transactions the Lending Department:

- ☐ Created documentation to collect uniform information on “problem items” so that all staff members are aware of the status of each item and to identify the staff member dealing with the issue.
- ☐ Streamlined the process of sending items to Collection Management for repair and correction.
- ☐ Edited the patron registration form and instituted proofreading to ensure accuracy.
- ☐ Changed workflow patterns and added seating to decrease fatigue.

With the implementation of the Millennium Acquisitions Module, bibliographic records of on-order materials appear in the catalog immediately thus allowing patrons to place their own reserves. *Automatically Yours*, a standing order program for bestselling authors, was discontinued and a new method of ordering for upcoming publications was initiated allowing for more control of funds for new fiction.

Conscious of community needs, we extended the duration of our Food for Fines Program and arranged for ongoing pickup during the holiday months.

In an effort to "go green" we stopped offering complementary plastic book bags and replaced them with affordable, reusable cloth book bags.

The special *Book Group Selection* collection was updated with newer titles, just released in paperback. Downloadable eBooks of some of these titles were also purchased through the Overdrive program.

Residents of Mulberry Gardens continued to benefit from monthly visits by Michelle Lord, Head of Lending. This popular reader's advisory program involves discussion of new titles, distribution of *Book Pages*, *Bestsellers Lists*, *Book Alerts* and *Large Print Catalogs*. Each patron receives selections to choose from according to their likes and interests.

"Amazing service. Everyone is so helpful and nice!" Joseph G. The monthly *Afternoon Book Discussion Group* met at the Barnes Museum where participants enjoyed the ambiance of the venue, tea and refreshments, and a lively discussion of the selected title. This group of dedicated readers enjoyed such titles as: *The Help*, *My Name is Mary Sutter*, *Sarah's Key*, *Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet*, *The 19th Wife*, and many others.

Thanks to the professionalism and dedication of the Lending Team, the Southington Library and Museum is a friendly and welcoming community asset. Many of our residents and out of town visitors have commented on our customer service and helpful attitude.

*Note: At first glance circulation statistics for 2010/11 seem to indicate a slight decrease over the 2009/10 fiscal year. This is due to the fact that the library was open 5 days less than the previous year due to snow days and holiday schedules.

Reference Department

This past year the Reference Department tackled a project of major importance not only to our town but to the entire state: the digitization of our entire microfilm collection of Southington's local newspapers including *The Phoenix*, *The Southington News* and *The Southington Observer*. In the past our patrons had to scan through entire rolls of microfilm to locate specific articles. Most of the new digital version is keyword searchable and can be accessed from any computer through our homepage. (*We are still in the process of creating links to the papers on our homepage.*) The Reference staff reviewed the digitized files, made corrections and organized them for ease of use. The Friends of the Library provided funding for this project.

In other technology related news, the Library took advantage of a program offered by Ancestry.com to make Southington High School yearbooks accessible through that database. In exchange for providing them with Southington High School yearbooks to scan into their database we now have free access to Ancestry.com within the Library.

In order to gap the digital divide the Library provides access to technology to everyone in town through our public access computers and free Wi-Fi. This year modifications were made to Cassie, the system that manages our public computers to make them more user-friendly.

In Summer 2010 the Library migrated to a new online calendar. With this new system our patrons can reserve museum passes from home. This allowed us to circulate passes much more efficiently and effectively.

We continued to offer instruction in standard computer programs free of charge to the public throughout the year. Intermediate Excel and Intermediate Word were the most popular courses offered. The staff also held several computer classes for members of other town departments.

Inter-Library Loan service continues to grow as evidenced by a 146.96% increase in the fulfillment of ILL requests.

The Reference Department continued to provide multiple copies of books to local book clubs through page 2

Interlibrary Loan. Use of this service went up 10% over last year.

Gene Grass facilitated the Library's evening book discussion group. Titles reviewed included: *The Red Tent* by Anita Diamant, *A Reliable Wife* by Robert Goolrich, and *Glass Castle* by Jeanette Walls.

The Reference Department is responsible for development and maintenance of the non-circulating reference collection as well as the circulating nonfiction collection. Each member of the staff specializes in one or more subject specific collection, i.e. foreign language, business, cookbooks. In order to provide the best possible information to our patrons, subject collections are kept up-to-date by purchasing titles recommended in professional literature and removing out-of-date titles.

The Reference Department presented two of its extremely popular scholar-led "Reading Between the Lines" book discussion programs. The first was a series of Chris Bohjalian novels. The novels discussed were:

"Excellent! A great place with great helpful people. We use the Library a lot!" Rod F.

Before You Know Kindness, Double Bind, and Midwives.

The second series featured Jodi

Picoult novels: *Nineteen Minutes*, *The Pact* and *My Sister's Keeper*. These scholar-led discussions were co-sponsored by the Connecticut Humanities Council and funded by the Friends of Southington Library.

The department is in charge of selecting and maintaining our electronic databases such as *EbscoHost*, *Novelist* and the *Auto Repair Reference Center*. The continued proliferation of internet-based reference sources necessitated a closer look at traditional print material. The process of moving to digital formats is ongoing and will continue next year.

Children's Department

This year the Children's Department continued to use innovative methods to make our collection as child-friendly as possible. One of its major projects was to reorganize the nonfiction collection into topics of interest to children rather than traditional Dewey subjects. The new topic areas include: animals and pets, the arts, fun facts, history, myths, tales & legends, science & math, self help, sports, war, writing & poetry, religion & biography, geography, and encyclopedias, maps & atlases. Special stickers make it easy for even our youngest patrons to find just the right book.

The Parent's section was also reorganized last year. Staff members recognized that the majority of parents were looking for information on certain specific topics. With this in mind books are now displayed in high-interest topics including: adoption, the birds and the bees, bullies, death, discipline, divorce, help, illness, potty training, reading, school and special issues. Each of the topics is labeled with a brightly colored sticker and a coordinating colored sign. This method has made it significantly easier for busy moms and dads to choose books that meet their needs and the needs of their children.

"This is the most children-friendly library I have ever been to. I love how easy it is to find everything for kids and adults." - Danielle P.

The Children's Department Staff also completed a comprehensive

overhaul of the Juvenile Biography section. Through their efforts almost 1/4 of this collection was replaced with new, more pertinent titles.

QR or Quick Response codes were added to selected materials in the Children's Department. A Quick Response Code is a barcode that can be read by smartphones (Android, iPhone, Blackberry, etc.). These codes provide value-added material such as YouTube videos, or author/book web sites. For instance, a child who scans the QR code on a book about elephants might be directed to a video of an elephant using his trunk to paint a picture.

Through the generosity of the Southington Education Foundation and the American Legion Auxiliary a new collection of *Leveled Reader* books was added to our collection. This collection is designed to correspond with the classroom collection familiar to elementary school students.

Children's programs continue to thrive. These programs are designed to promote reading readiness, a love of reading and to offer children and parents the opportunity to engage with each other in a family-friendly atmosphere.

New programs added this year include:

- ☐ *Graphic Heroes* - A series that offers children the chance to explore their favorite heroes through activities and crafts.
- ☐ *Pops, Jolts and Blasts (PB&J)* - A fun, hands-on program that encourages kids to get engaged with science.
- ☐ *Story Sprouts* - A Saturday afternoon drop-in family storytime.
- ☐ *Crafty Crew* - A craft program where children ages 2 to 6 can create a craft they can take home with them.

And old-favorites continued to be popular:

- ☐ *Rookie Readers* - Due to popular demand we added an additional evening session of this program for 5 to 6-year-old novice readers.
- ☐ *American Girl Book Club* - A reading group for girls ages 7 to 10.
- ☐ *Cover to Cover* - A Reading & Eating Rave & Rant for "tweens," children 9 to 12.
- ☐ *Children's Theater* - This program offers children the opportunity to engage with each other as they explore the world of drama.
- ☐ *1000 Books Before Kindergarten* - Our award-winning, reading-readiness program remains one of the most popular programs offered by the Children's Department.

Adult Programming

The past year was full of programs for adults that highlighted the Library's active slogan: "Create! Explore! Engage!"

The 2010 Adult Summer reading theme was *Adventures in Reading*. Participants were offered opportunities for "armchair" adventures by attending movie matinees and evening travel programs. The Library staff

You have wonderful programs and staff... What an asset to the town! Joan Z.

also created
annotated

bibliographies highlighting adventurous books and movies. Each week "Lucky Readers" received a discount coupon from our local business sponsors.

In response to patron demand we offered new programs including:

- ☐ *Cruising Connecticut in a Picnic Basket* with author Jan Mann.
- ☐ *The Seasons of Connecticut* featuring local celebrity and newswoman Diane Smith.
- ☐ *The First Annual Connecticut Author Showcase*.

We also continued to offer programs that bring art, music and ideas to our patrons. Here are a few that demonstrate the depth and reach of our commitment to lifelong learning and cultural enrichment:

- ☐ *Artist of the Month* exhibits supported by the Town Council.
- ☐ *Make-your-own-collage*, a family-friendly program featuring nationally-known artist Michael Albert.
- ☐ Our Third Annual *Celebrate the Arts* reception co-sponsored with the Southington Arts Council.
- ☐ Highly acclaimed storyteller Valerie Tutson's inspirational stories to celebrate Black History Month.
- ☐ The "Why I Love My Library" bookmark challenge.
- ☐ *The Grand Old Flag* musical performance by Tom Callinan, Connecticut's First State Troubadour.
- ☐ *The Ancient Art of Henna* featuring local henna artist Rani Dawa.
- ☐ Science, Self-help and Wellness programs:
 - Art Horn's *Extreme Weather* seminar.
 - *Roadmap to the Stars* with Kevin Manning, astrophysicist and former consultant to NASA Science.
 - Healthy Living seminars cosponsored by the Hospital of Central Connecticut, Midstate Medical, Franciscan Life Center and the Heart Center of Greater Waterbury.
 - Helpful consumer programs such as *Connecticut Commuter Services*, *Buying and Selling on eBay*, and *Organic Land and Lawn Care*.

2011 Southington Reads

Southington Library was honored to present Stephen Carter, Yale Professor and *New York Times* best-selling author as our 2011 Southington Reads author. *Time* magazine named Professor Carter one of 50 leaders of the 21st century and the *The New York Times* called him one of the nation's leading public intellectuals. Carter's thought-provoking novel *New England White* was chosen as our Southington Reads book. Over 175 people came to the AquaTurf to hear the Professor's talk on his creative process. This event was generously co-sponsored by The Aqua Turf Club and the Calvanese Foundation.

In April the Library received an award for outstanding public relations for our "Tough Guys/Gals do Read" posters promoting our previous years' Southington Reads program.

Collection Management

Collection Management is the least visible department in the Library, but without it there would be no Library. Every book, DVD, and CD on the shelves has to be ordered, cataloged and processed in Collection Management before it can be circulated.

- ❑ Acquisitions - The past year was extremely challenging and busy for Collection Management. In Summer 2010 we added an acquisitions module to Millennium, our Integrated Library System. The acquisitions module added an entirely new set of variables to an already complex system. The final result is an integrated ordering, cataloging and invoicing system that provides more oversight for all of our acquisitions procedures. The new module also allows our patrons to reserve books as soon as we order them. To make this system work, the Collection Management staff had to work closely with various vendors setting up parameters and making changes to procedures.
- ❑ Public Computers - The Library's public computers were reorganized and re-wired. Collection Management also replaced the Library's public computers with new thin client computers to allow our patrons use of up-to-date software.
- ❑ Changes to our Collection - Our collection of music CDs was re-classified and reorganized with new call numbers to allow ease of use, and a project is underway to replace popular VHS titles with DVDs.
- ❑ Homepage - The Collection Management Department is also responsible for creating and maintaining the Library's homepage.

Library Statistics

Library Use

Southington Card Holders 32,026

Circulation Transactions*

Books 425,431

DVDs/Videos 205,002

Audio (Music) 27,112

Interlibrary Loans 4,868

Periodicals 12,984

Reserves 15,252

Museum Passes 2,213

Miscellaneous 8,992

Total 701,854

Reference Questions Answered 89,574

Computer Usage 35,232

Program Participation Children's 10,628

Adult 2,530

Total 13,158

*Items borrowed and returned

Library Collection

Books 103,898

Books-on-CD/Tape 2,083

Downloadable Audio Books 5,750

Downloadable eBooks* 1,165

Music CDs 1,524

Videos 2,293

DVDs 6,993

CD-Roms/Games 300

Blu-rays 260

Total 124,266

*New service funded by the
Friends of Southington Library

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Friends of Southington Library

The Friends of Southington Library is a vibrant organization that operates The Friends of the Library Bookstore located on the lower level of the Library. This past year Doris Larese, the President of the Friends of Southington Library was honored by the Friends of Connecticut Libraries for her many years of service. Here is an excerpt from the awards presentation:

“Under Doris’ direction as president, Friends of the Southington Library runs one of the most successful library bookstores in the state . . . Doris supervises and trains over 35 volunteers working in the bookstore. Her energy, efficiency, military-like precision are a large part of the success of the bookstore operation. She is the first to say that she does not accomplish this alone. Her team leadership includes Virginia Siton, Claudia Hudson, and Terry Bernard, [The funds they raise] support many children’s programs, scholar-led book discussions, on-going programs, as well as new initiatives.”

Proceeds from the bookstore are used to fund numerous Library projects and services not funded by the Library’s operating budget. This past year the Friends funded one of the most important projects the Library has ever undertaken: the digitization of our entire microfilm collection of Southington newspapers including *The Phoenix*, *The News* and *The Observer*. These papers will be available online to everyone.

Here are some of the ongoing services that are funded through the hard work of our Friends.

- ◆ Fast Track Best Sellers
- ◆ Downloadable Audio Books and eBooks
- ◆ Scholar-led Book Discussions
- ◆ 1,000 Books before Kindergarten
- ◆ Books for Babies
- ◆ The Road to Reading
- ◆ *What’s Happening @ the Library* newsletter
- ◆ Family-friendly DVDs and CDs
- ◆ Conference attendance by Library Staff
- ◆ Summer Reading Books for Tweens
- ◆ Outstanding Business Books
- ◆ Southington Reads, and other special programs



High quality best-sellers on display in the Friends Bookstore

Very Special thanks to the members of the Friends who make all this possible by volunteering their time and talent: Willa Babkirk, Joan Bauder, Martha Benevelli, Terry Bernard, Melizza Blanchette, Jane Caddick, Gloria Colonero, Barbara Curran, Pat Cutrali, Linda Daddi, Linda Ericsson, Marge Fuhman, Janet Galante, Robert Gionfriddo, Marilyn Gordon, Andy Hubeny, Claudia Hudson, Sheila Ierardi, Judy Krafick, Pat Kucinkas, Doris LaRese, Emily Looney, Pat Monahan, Paul Norton, Barbara Nugent, Lita Nyren, Barbara Okenquist, Nancy Pasco, Marcia Piaskowski, Roxanne Piazza, Gabriella Roether, Michael Rossi, Joan Savio, Virginia Siton, Sandra Voorhees, Joan Wallace, Janice Walsh, Madeline Zoni. Bookstore Coordinating Committee: Doris Larese, Virginia Siton, Terry Bernard, Claudia Hudson.

It is with sadness that the Friends mark the passing of Dorothy Hubeny, one of our faithful volunteers.

The Barnes Museum



What a year it has been for the Barnes Museum! 2011 marked the 175th Anniversary of the building of the original Bradley Homestead. To celebrate this historic milestone Barnes Curator Marie Secondo created a commemorative calendar featuring archival photographs and insightful, narrative descriptions of the photos. Special Anniversary events were held throughout the year including a Victorian Garden Party and Holiday Tea.

The Museum was also featured prominently in the July/August issue of *AAA Journey's* (released in Spring 2011). The article included photos of the exterior and interior of the Museum and generated lots of interest from travelers who visited Connecticut.

Marie Secondo visited elementary school classrooms to present her "What is it?" program that challenges curious students to identify various artifacts from the Museum's collection.

In the Summer of 2010 the Barnes' original slate roof, portions of which are 175 years old, was failing and in need of replacement. To that end Executive Director, Sue Smayda applied for an Historic Reconstruction Grant from the Historic Preservation and Museum Division of the Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism. In December word came that the Grant application was successful and we were awarded \$46,361 in matching funds.

In planning for this major renovation, the Library Board contacted the Bank of America to withdraw sufficient funds from the Bradley Barnes Trust to cover the matching funds required by the Grant. This proved to be more of an effort than was expected, however by the end of the fiscal year, we were assured that these funds would be made available. In the interim, to be certain the Museum would be able to pay its portion of the new roof, the Library Board decided to de-accession a number of items from the Museum's collection. The firm of Winter Associates was hired to assist with this process and following extensive examination of the collection it was decided to auction off several carpets and other items*. The Museum raised \$78,617 through the auction. The Barnes Restoration Fund was created with these funds.

*No items of historic significance to the family or the town were included in the auction.

The Library Board adopted a new Collection Management Policy for the Barnes Museum which states that the vision of the Barnes Museum is to “educate, entertain and inspire a diverse audience by maintaining

“My husband and I had a guided tour of this lovely Victorian home decorated for Christmas. . . It was the best historic house we ever toured because of the personal items and displays.” a visitor from Cheshire

and providing access to the Bradley Barnes Homestead and its contents in keeping with the explicit wishes of

benefactor Bradley Barnes. The Museum will encourage people to explore Southington’s history through collected artifacts and documents of three generations of the Bradley Barnes family.” The mission of the Barnes is “to preserve Southington’s history for future generations through careful preservation of the Bradley Barnes Homestead and the contents of the homestead.”

Work continues on major archival projects including transcribing and digitizing diaries and letters, cataloging collections, and restoring artwork. Through these efforts, and due to increased awareness of the Museum’s archives, there has been increase in the number of researchers coming to make use of our collection.

Programming and Special Exhibits at the Barnes

- ☐ 346 tours were given to 5,610 visitors from as far away as the Marshall Islands, Belgium and Great Britain.
- ☐ 34 events were held including:
 - The 9th Annual Taste of Southington.
 - Classic Book Discussions.
 - A Summer Soiree featuring Southington Chamber Singers.
 - A special “Tea” for Cheshire Red Hat Ladies Society.
 - The Library’s monthly book discussion group.
 - Downtown Merchants Hospitality Night.
 - Holiday Open House.
 - Candie Karle’s Victorian Lady;
 - Two Hundred Years of Hats.
 - Victorian Valentines,
 - The 6th Annual Antiques Appraisal Night.

Revenue

\$1,827 - Tour Donations
\$3,215 - Group, Event and Malcolm Orr Memorial donations
\$1,240 - Friends of the Barnes Museum
\$ 175 - Roof Repair fund
\$7,410 - Commemorative Calendar Proceeds
\$13,867 - Total

Southington Library & Museum Board of Directors

Fiscal Year 2010-2011

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Joanne Kelsey, Nicole Riedinger, Rebecca Mazrek, Wendi Roy, Molly Virello, Michael Zienka,

Mary Zygmunt

Barnes Museum Staff

Curator: Marie Secondo,

Part-time Curator/custodian: Joanne Cyr

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan I. Smayda, M.L.S.
Executive Director

DAVID A. LAPREAY
Director of Recreation

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Assistant Superintendent of Parks

GERRI ROPER
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ANNUAL REPORT SOUTHTON PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT 2010-2011

The 2010-2011 Fiscal Year saw a few major changes in the makeup of the Parks and Recreation Department. Long time Director of Recreation, William J. Masci, retired after nearly 40 years of being Southington's first Director of Recreation. With Williams's retirement, David A. Lapreay, whom has worked for the Parks and Recreation Department for nearly 16 years, was appointed to fill the role as Director, beginning on June 1, 2011. The Parks Department also saw a change in the management structure with long time employee, Michael S. Manware, being promoted to Assistant Superintendent of Parks in July of 2011.

The Recreation Department had another great year with its many programs and trips. A large participation from the townspeople, both young and adult, made all of these programs a success. Some of the programs offered were adult fitness programs, dance lessons, golf clinics, theatre program, Music on the Green, swim lessons, Middle School dances, summer playground camp and many more. Trips included Niagara Falls, Cooperstown, Radio City Christmas Show, NYC and Boston "Do Your Own Thing", Red Sox games, Uconn games and many, many more. Crescent Lake continues to be a jewel for Southington offering those a place for a hike, fishing, kayaking or a relaxing place to sit and enjoy the scenic view. For all information regarding programs and trips, go to www.southington.org or call the office at (860) 276-6219.

The Parks Department also had another busy year keeping the many parks and open space properties beautifully maintained. Two new additions to the Parks Department pieces of property are the new Drive-In Theatre area located at Recreation Park which saw the construction of a new all-purpose field as well as a Community Pavilion which can be used to accommodate small to large functions and gatherings. Phase II of the Linear Trail also opened this past year which runs from Plantsville Center to the Southington/Cheshire town line. The Linear Trail continues to be a favorite spot for a jog, walk, or a bike ride.

The Parks and Recreation Board consist of five members: John Fontana, Chairman, Joseph LaPorte, Vice Chairman, Joanne Palmieri, Michael Fasulo and David Kanute. The Recreation Department consists of David A. Lapreay, Director of Recreation and Gerri Roper, Office Assistant. The Parks Department consists of Michael S. Manware, Assistant Superintendent of Parks, Gary Mongillo, Stephen Pompei, William Hanson, Eric Perry, Gary O'hala, Todd Mongillo and Kurt Kula.

We thank the Town Council and the Board of Finance for providing the funds to run this Department. We also want to thank Mr. Garry Brumback, Town Manager and Attorney Mark Sciota, Deputy Town Manager/Town Attorney, for their guidance throughout the year on many town matters.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David A. Lapreay". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large, stylized initial "D" and a long, sweeping tail that loops back under the name.

David A. Lapreay
Director of Recreation

PLANNING AND ZONING DEPARTMENT

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2010 - 2011 ANNUAL REPORT SOUTHTON PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

The Planning and Zoning Commission reviewed 61 applications during the fiscal year including 4 subdivisions or re-subdivisions, 3 floodplain filling applications, 5 earth excavations applications, 11 special permit applications and 34 site plans for commercial and industrial projects. During the same period, the Planning and Zoning Department issued 451 zoning permits for new construction and renovations to existing structures. This permit activity is an increase from the last fiscal year.

The Planning and Zoning Department staff provides support services and technical assistance to the Planning and Zoning Commission, the Conservation Commission and the Zoning Board of Appeals. Staff provides support to subcommittees who have been working on regulation revisions and tasks associated with the West Street Corridor analysis. The staff also answers public inquiries regarding planning, development and land use regulations. The staff of the department interacts with local residents, engineers and agents and reviews permit applications which are submitted to the local land use boards and commissions for their consideration, as well as zoning permits for new constructions and additions. Staff is also responsible for inspecting all construction in town and signing off on projects upon completion.

The chairman of the Planning and Zoning Commission is Michael DelSanto, Kelly DelDebbio is the Vice-Chairman and Paul Chaplinsky is the Secretary. The other Commission members are Stephen Kalkowski, James Sinclair, Frances Kenefick, and Zaya G. Oshana. There are three alternates including James Macchio, Lisa Conroy and Randall Gage.

Respectfully submitted,
The Planning and Zoning Commission

BY: Mary F. Savage, Durham, AICP, Town Planner
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BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS 2010-2011

The Board of Police Commissioners, through this annual/fiscal report, would like to reflect, with the citizens of Southington, upon the vast accomplishments and activities of the Police Department during the past fiscal year. The Southington Police Department members are committed to continue their efforts to control criminal activity as well as traffic violators and a renewed effort to expand the department's crime prevention activities in our ongoing effort to keep our community a safe place to live.

The total number of authorized sworn personnel, as of July, 2010 is 66, including a Chief, two (2) Captains, three (3) Lieutenants, eleven (11) Sergeants, seven (7) Detectives, and forty-two (42) Patrol Officers. The Department also employs five (7) Supernumerary Officers (part-time), three (3) animal control personnel and a support staff that includes ten (11) civilian dispatchers four (4) records clerks, one (1) maintenance person, one (1) court liaison person and one (1) administrative secretary.

The Patrol Division has a primary responsibility to respond to calls for service within the Town of Southington. The coverage area is approximately 278 miles of paved roadway, which encompasses public, private and state roadways. The Patrol Division is tasked with keeping our roadways safe and maintaining a safe community environment which enhances the quality of life for our Southington residents.

The Park, Ride and Walk program continues to be a strong communication link with the business community at large. Officers check Southington Center monitoring the parking situation and speak with the business owners and shoppers. This community interaction allows for the review and deployment of services to improve the community environment within the Southington Center. The expansion of this program/interaction is continually being reviewed for possible expansion and/or improvements.

The Patrol Division has several resources which enhance the ability to deliver Law Enforcement services to the overall community. Three K9 Units are staffed within the Patrol Division. The Officers in addition to their patrol duties have the added resource of a K9. All the dogs are trained in the areas of tracking, drug detection and patrol operations.

Officers from the Patrol Division are part of the Central Region Emergency Response Team. This Regional Team is made up of police officers from the towns of Bristol, Plainville and Southington. This Team responds to critical incidents which occur within the participating towns. The Team is provided advanced training in the area of conflict resolution. The Central Region Emergency Response Team was activated twice during fiscal year 2010/2011.

The Accident Investigation Unit (AIT) has Officers assigned to the unit, as well as maintaining their primary patrol responsibilities. All members receive advanced training in the area of traffic accident investigation. This Unit is tasked with investigating all fatal and serious motor vehicle accidents that occur within the Town of Southington. The Officers provide information and assistance to other officers in the area of accident investigation.

Three officers are trained to operate the departments All-Terrain Vehicle (ATV) which is used to patrol open space, the Town watershed property, as well as parks and other parcels of land, within the Town of Southington. Eight Officers are certified as bicycle officers. These bicycles are used to patrol senior housing, the Town Centers, a variety of developments and the Town Linear Trail. Three Officers are trained to operate the T3. This three wheeled segway type vehicle was donated to the department in fiscal year 2009/2010 and is an effective resource in patrolling the Linear Trail. The resources listed provide direct support to the main mobile Patrol Force and prides itself on delivering full community police services to the Town of Southington and its population at large.

The Southington Police Department made approximately 88 arrests for Driving While Under the Influence of Alcohol and/or Drugs for this fiscal year which was a 66.00% increase from the 2009/2010 total. The department as a whole made 135 drug arrests which was an increase of 12.50% from the previous fiscal year. Alcohol related arrests involving minors increased by 70% totaling 53 for fiscal year 2010/2011. Compliance Checks (Business) yielded 12 arrests for the Sale of Alcohol to a Minor for fiscal year 2010/2011.

The Southington Police Department Patrol Division will continue to make substance abuse type incidents a community priority by using both proactive and reactive prevention enforcement techniques.

The primary mission of the Patrol Division is to provide the community with the needed resources to improve the quality of life within the Town of Southington. This mission is driven by providing a full service approach to the community. The full service approach encompasses the enforcement of laws and ordinances, providing guidance and direction as well as the development of relationships with other community service organizations.

The Southington Police Department as a whole understands the need to be a foundational part of the Southington Community at large.

The Investigative Services Division, also known as the Detective Division is a support function to the Patrol Division. The Investigative Services Division is staffed by a Lieutenant, a Sergeant and nine investigators, three of which make up the Department's Narcotics Enforcement Team. The Lieutenant of this division reports to the Operations Captain of the Department.

The Investigative Services Division is a support function to the Patrol Division. Many of the investigation conducted by the Investigative Services Division are initially handled by Patrol Officers. If the investigation is complex or appears that it will be rather time consuming, it most likely will be assigned to a Detective. Detectives generally handle any suspicious death investigation as well as serious assaults, financial crimes, computer crimes, burglaries and many other different crimes.

This past year we had several bank robberies that not only were investigated by Detectives, but arrests were made and monies recovered. These investigations also resulted in the suspects being arrested by other Police Departments for robberies in their respective Towns. Another sign of the troubled economy was the number of embezzlement cases that were reported and investigated. Some resulted in losses of hundreds of thousands of dollars. These investigations are very complex and time consuming, many times requiring the issuance of search warrants to obtain banking information as well as computer information in an attempt to follow the money.

Also this past year, members of the Detective Division in cooperation with the New Britain State's Attorney's Office and the United State's Marshall's Service extradited Xhelal Sherifi from Albania where he was living as a Fugitive from Justice. Sherifi had originally been arrested by members of the Southington Police Department in 2001 where he was charged with Criminal Attempt to Commit Murder along with other charges. In early 2002, he was bonded out of jail and fled this Country to Albania where he was originally from. Upon being brought back to the United States he was presented in New Britain Superior Court was he was eventually sentenced to a prison term.

The Narcotics Enforcement Team, made of up three investigators from within this division continued to focus on illegal narcotics being possessed and sold within the Town of Southington. Based upon their investigations a number of arrests were made and illegal narcotics were seized.

Members of the division also conducted several operations in conjunction with STEPS. Earlier in the year, the Community Relations Division went around to all package stores to educate them regarding the

sales to minors. This division followed up on that training with random checks of package stores and convenience stores to test their abilities to detect minors. As a result of several operations, a number of businesses were found to be in violation after they sold alcoholic beverages to a minor.

The current police fleet continues to operate at its maximum life potential. Our efforts to keep maintenance costs at a reasonable level and maintain a safe working environment have allowed for a mission ready fleet at the least possible cost. The Mobile Command truck witnessed several deployments during the winter months, acting as a command post for at least two major roof collapses and for police events that included missing person complaints and our Town's POD deployment exercise. Our Mobile Command truck continues to enjoy deployments to the Apple Harvest Festival and numerous events where the public can be educated on its mission.

Several traffic initiatives were worked on this year, including implementation of sign placement on DOT certified streets and our Rails to Trails safety initiative. The Rails to Trails "Safety Circles" effort began late in FY2010-2011 but has garnered significant press and allows for public safety personnel to pinpoint a complainant's location of the Trail by use of our GIS and CAD/RMS systems. Officers Watson (Traffic) and Kahn (IT) spearheaded the implementation of this effort with fantastic results.

We continue to move toward the federally unfunded mandate of narrow banding, which will take effect in January 2013. Portable radios continue to be replaced to meet the narrow banding requirements. In addition to narrow banding requirements, we initiated a system that reprogrammed our portable radios so that identification tags could be adjusted by SPD personnel, eliminating significant service fees. This project was completed and now allows for near instantaneous specialized deployment of portable radio assets. New technology was deployed in our black & white fleet of police cruisers, utilizing the latest in cellular technology. Data speeds are incredibly fast and reliable, allowing us to create both a primary and secondary connection to SPD IT assets using cellular and town owned Mercury technologies.

The second annual SPD Awards Ceremony was held September 30, 2010, at SHS. Led by the Police Pipes & Drums of Waterbury, the event recognized several police officers and civilians for their accomplishments. Notably, Officers Salerno, Lopa and K-9 Damon were recognized for their bravery during a knife point robbery. Several SPD Community Service Awards were also presented. Commissioner David DellaVecchia and Mr. William DellaVecchia were recognized for their donation of the department's \$12,000 T3 (3-wheeled electric vehicle) that is used for Rails to Trails patrol. Mr. Jody Joseph and Mr. John Napierski, of Jo-Jo's Gun Shop, were recognized for their continual support of the Southington Police Department. We look forward to honoring the men and women of both this department and community next year.

The Southington Police Department's Support Services Division continues to offer its Community Service programs throughout the town. In the interest of quality Community Policing, the Southington High School Resource Officer (SRO) provides for a safe educational environment while developing and mentoring students. The SRO investigates criminal activity that occurs on campus taking all appropriate enforcement action, guest lecturers in classes as regards law enforcement topics, mentors students as a positive role model, provides assistance to school officials as regards student intervention strategies and continually develops upon the school's security plan.

The Southington Police Department continues the Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE) program teaching the 10 week class in the town's eight public elementary schools and the two private schools. D.A.R.E. goes beyond traditional drug abuse and violence prevention programs. It gives children the skills needed to recognize and resist the subtle and overt pressures that cause them to experiment with drugs or become involved in gangs or violent activities. The program was taught to approximately 500 students during the past school year.

The Southington Police Department continues to run the Child Safety Seat check program by doing both appointments and large scale events. In the last fiscal year, the Southington Police Department checked approximately 200 child safety seats as well as assisting other agencies around the state with training. Southington Police also are only one of seven police agencies in the state with a certified Technician-Instructor.

Southington Police Explorer Post 57 had a very successful year. Law Enforcement Exploring is a worksite-based program for young men and women who have completed the eighth grade and are 14 years of age, or are 15 years of age but have not yet reached their 21st birthday. Law Enforcement Explorer posts help youth to gain insight into a variety of programs that offer hands-on career activities. For young men and women who are interested in careers in the field of law enforcement, Exploring offers experiential learning with lots of fun-filled, hands-on activities that promote the growth and development of adolescent youth.

The Support Services Division offers several other programs as follows: school visitations, senior citizen crime prevention programs, tours of headquarters (by appointment), bicycle safety, free emergency cell phones for seniors, Rollover Simulator (Statewide coordinator), citizen ride-alongs, internet safety, Child ID kits, Child bullying, File of Life, Texting/Driving program McGruff House, K-9 visitations/demonstrations, Blockwatch, Bicycle Patrols, Child Safe gunlocks, Community Room availability, Fatal vision goggles, college internships, fraud/scam programs, Business crime prevention, CERT- Community Emergency Response Team, Women's Self Defense/Crime Prevention, Homeland Security/Emergency Preparedness program, Stuff a Cruiser, and Seatbelt Convincer (statewide coordinator),...

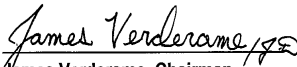
The Southington Police Department utilizes Facebook and Twitter as media sources. The goal is to enhance the capacity of law enforcement to prevent and solve crimes, strengthen police-community relations, enhance services and inform the community of important public information. Members of the Department also participated in other community events such as the Polar Plunge, Stuff a Cruiser, Torch Run for Special Olympics, and Medical/Prescription Drug drop off program.

The Department's Support Services Unit works with our local boards to help make Southington a strong community. The Unit has membership on the following boards: Youth Advisory Board, Juvenile Review Board, Southington Hunger Committee, Youth Committee of the United Way, Central Business Alliance, Teen Life Committee at Southington High School, Special Needs Committee, Drug Task Force, Southington SOS, STEPS, Senior Committee of the United Way, and Lincoln College Criminal Justice Committee.

As in the past, many letters received from merchants and citizens from Southington and other towns expressing their appreciation for services rendered, whether routine or above and beyond the call of duty, have been very gratifying. The Southington Police Department appreciates any feedback from the public in our continued effort to better serve the community.

The Southington Police Department is continually involved in a pattern of improving and otherwise doing its best to achieve peak performance and service. It is an exciting time and we wish to invite the people of Southington to share in our enthusiasm.

The Board also wishes to thank the people of Southington for their continued cooperation with the Board of Police Commissioners and the members of the Southington Police Department. Our police force is second to none in the State of Connecticut and needs continued support for the cost efficient, effective smooth operation of the Department. Only by cooperation, can we provide the best possible law enforcement to keep Southington a safe and peaceful community in which we live.


James Verderame, Chairman
Board of Police Commissioners

**SOUTHINGTON POLICE DEPARTMENT
FISCAL YEAR REPORT FOR GENERAL POLICE ACTIVITY 2010-2011**

INCIDENT SUMMARY	2009-2010	2010-2011	NIBRS CRIME REPORTING PART A OFFENSES	2009-2010	2010-2011
Operational Service Events	57,776	56,887	09A Murder & Nonnegligent Manslaughter	0	1
Investigative Case Numbers	21,641	20,725	09B Negligent Manslaughter	0	0
Investigative Reports	24,137	23,739	09C Justifiable Homicide	0	0
911 Phone System Calls	11,538	11,120	100 Kidnapping/Abduction	5	8
			11A Forcible Sexual Assault	3	7
TRAFFIC INVESTIGATIONS	2009-2010	2010-2011	11B Forcible Sodomy	1	0
Occurred On Roadway	1,002	1,047	11C Sexual Assault With An Object	0	1
Pedestrian Accidents	11	14	11D Forcible Fondling	8	11
Motorcycle Accidents	13	17	120 Robbery	5	12
Fatal Accidents	2	2	13A Aggravated Assault	4	10
Parking Lot Accidents	425	426	13B Simple Assault	200	376
Driver Reported Accidents	9	11	13C Intimidation	156	160
Total Motor Vehicle Accidents	1,436	1,484	200 Arson	7	8
			210 Extortion/Blackmail	0	0
ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS	2009-2010	2010-2011	220 Burglary/Breaking And Entering	101	121
Vehicle Equipment Violations	2,792	1,433	23A Pocket-Picking	1	0
Operator Violations	7,132	8,130	23B Purse Snatching	0	0
Parking Violations	867	409	23C Shoplifting	60	123
Total Enforcement Action	10,791	9,972	23D Theft From A Building	68	160
			23E Theft From Coin-Operated Machine or Device	9	6
CRIMINAL ARRESTS	2009-2010	2010-2011	23F Theft From A Motor Vehicle	217	133
Adults	945	895	23G Theft Of Motor Vehicle Parts Or Accessories	33	42
Juvenile	55	98	23H All Other Larceny	158	148
Total Enforcement Action	1,000	993	240 Motor Vehicle Theft	46	32
			250 Counterfeiting/Forgery	34	48
GENERAL INVESTIGATIONS	2009-2010	2010-2011	26A False Pretenses/Swindle/Confidence Game	84	113
Alarms	1,978	2,046	26B Credit Card/Automatic Teller Machine Fraud	19	20
Animal Control	1,214	1,253	26C Impersonation	28	39
Computer Crime	6	7	26D Welfare Fraud	0	0
Court Orders	435	420	26D Wire Fraud	0	0
Domestic/Physical Violence	231	211	270 Embezzlement	14	14
Drug and Alcohol Related	100	147	280 Stolen Property Offenses	3	24
Fire Calls with Police Response	531	633	290 Destruction/Damage/Vandalism Of Property	456	478
Fugitives/Assist/DCF/State	841	709	35A Drug/Narcotic Violations	80	151
Threatening/Harassment	483	460	35B Drug Equipment Violations	11	38
Medical	3,194	3,239	36A Incest	0	1
Missing Person/Located Person	83	73	36B Statutory Sexual Assault	1	0
Overdose	3	4	370 Pornography/Obscene Material	0	2
Registered Sex Offender	10	13	39A Betting/Wagering	0	0
Suicide Attempts	50	34	39B Operating/Promoting/Assisting Gambling	0	0
Suicides	2	1	39C Gambling Equipment Violations	0	0
Trespass	128	84	39D Sports Tampering	0	0
Untimely Death	19	28	40A Prostitution	0	0
			40B Assisting Or Promoting Prostitution	0	0
COMMUNITY SERVICES	2009-2010	2010-2011	510 Bribery	0	0
Civil Matter No Crime	1,144	1,193	520 Weapon Law Violations	18	24
Unlock Car Doors	664	665	Year Totals	1,830	2,311
DARE Class	60	60			
**Car Seats Installed	200	205			
Person Fingerprinted	631	705			
Community Programs	698	698			
Community Services Totals	3,397	3,526			

SOUTHINGTON POLICE DEPT

RECEIPTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2010-2011

CATAGORIES	TOTALS	AMOUNTS
BURGLAR ALARM PERMITS	66	\$550.00
PISTOL PERMIT (INCL TO SELL) 1 at \$35.00 231 at \$70.00	232	\$16,205.00
VENDOR PEMITS	62	\$1,314.00
PINBALL ,ELECTRONIC GAME, OR POOL TABLE PERMITS	4	\$170.00
RAFFLE PERMITS	11	\$215.00
FEES FOR ACCIDENT REPORTS (COPIES & PHOTOS)		\$5,858.00
BURGLAR ALARM TAG FEES		\$1,395.00
RECORD CHECK FEES		\$291.00
PARKING TAG FEES		\$6,115.00
PRECIOUS METAL PERMIT APPLICATIONS		\$350.00
PRECIOUS METAL PERMITS		\$225.00
PAWN BROKER PERMITS		\$25.00
POSTAGE		\$6.83
		<hr/> \$32,719.83
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE		\$77,522.88
AMOUNT RECEIVED BY TOWN OF SOUTHLINGTON FROM CIRMA FOR WORKERS COMPENSATION FOR POLICE DEPARTMENT		
	TOTAL	\$110,242.71

SOUTHINGTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2010 - JUNE 30, 2011

DATE	PARKING TAGS	PISTOL PERM.	VENDOR PERM.	PINBALL PERM.	RAFFLE PERM.	ALARM PERM.	ALARM TAG	REC'D CHECK	ACCS/ REPS	POSTAGE	APL.FEE	PREC. METAL PERMIT	PAWN BRKR	MONTH TOTALS
07/30/10	200.00	1925.00	133.00	0.00	25.00	25.00	75.00	46.00	420.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2849.50
08/31/11	340.00	630.00	0.00	80.00	20.00	55.00	0.00	15.00	577.75	0.00	200.00	0.00	0.00	1917.75
09/29/10	359.00	1540.00	737.00	0.00	0.00	15.00	0.00	10.00	488.50	0.00	50.00	100.00	0.00	3299.50
10/29/10	740.00	1750.00	171.00	0.00	0.00	10.00	20.00	20.00	386.00	0.44	0.00	25.00	0.00	3122.44
11/30/10	205.00	910.00	65.00	0.00	0.00	40.00	825.00	5.00	482.50	0.44	0.00	0.00	0.00	2532.94
12/30/10	449.00	560.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	25.00	175.00	10.00	497.25	1.39	0.00	0.00	0.00	1717.64
01/31/11	745.00	1120.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	40.00	0.00	10.00	346.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2261.50
02/28/11	889.00	910.00	0.00	0.00	60.00	60.00	150.00	25.00	468.00	0.00	50.00	0.00	0.00	2612.00
03/31/11	505.00	1120.00	56.00	0.00	50.00	40.00	0.00	35.00	904.00	4.56	50.00	75.00	25.00	2864.56
04/28/11	808.00	1190.00	56.00	0.00	0.00	55.00	150.00	10.00	455.50	0.00	0.00	25.00	0.00	2749.50
05/27/11	505.00	2660.00	6.00	0.00	60.00	155.00	0.00	45.00	297.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3728.50
06/30/11	370.00	1890.00	90.00	90.00	0.00	30.00	0.00	60.00	534.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3064.00
TOTALS	6,115.00	\$16,205.00	\$1,314.00	\$170.00	\$215.00	\$550.00	\$1,395.00	\$291.00	5,858.00	\$6.83	\$350.00	\$225.00	\$25.00	\$32,719.83
YR TOTAL														

JULY 2010 - JUNE 2011 RECEIPT TOTALS FOR YEAR \$32,719.83
SOUTHINGTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

SOUTHINGTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

FISCAL JULY 2010 - JUNE 2011

TOTALS OF MONTHLY RECEIPTS TO FINANCE DIRECTOR

2010

July 15	\$1,870.00
July 30	\$979.50
August 16	\$1,013.75
August 31	\$904.00
September 15	\$976.00
September 29	\$2,323.50
October 15	\$1,280.00
October 29	\$1,842.44
November 15	\$1,598.94
November 30	\$934.00
December 15	\$940.14
December 30	\$777.50

2011

January 14	\$1,102.00
January 31	\$1,159.50
February 14	\$1,305.50
February 28	\$1,306.50
March 15	\$1,174.00
March 31	\$1,690.56
April 15	\$2,091.00
April 28	\$658.50
May 15	\$2,154.00
May 27	\$1,574.50
June 15	\$1,136.50
June 30	\$1,927.50

TOTAL	\$32,719.83
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Town of Southington

Tax Collector

75 Main Street, PO Box 579
Southington, CT. 06489

Telephone Number: (860)-276-6259

Facsimile Number: (860)-276-6265

Annual Report of the Southington Tax Collector 2010-2011

The collecting of taxes is both historic and statutory and steeped with legal traditions and precedents. While the office operates under the General Statutes of the State of Connecticut in conjunction with the Office of Policy & Management, it also has a very contemporary business dimension with respect to operational policies and procedures, equipment, personnel, forms, collection techniques and public relations.

The Tax Collector's office is responsible for collecting all monies due the town on the current and delinquent Grand Lists in the form of taxes, interest and fees. Once the money has been balanced and deposited, it is transferred to the Treasurer by the 10th of every month as specified in Sec. 12-147 of the Connecticut State Statutes. All collections require daily, monthly, quarterly and annual reporting.

State reports are completed as required including the request for various types of reimbursements including totally disabled and co-signature of the elderly "circuit breaker". Assessors Certificates of Change, Legal Additions and Deductions and Suspense transfers have been placed on file in the office of the Town Clerk in accordance with Sec. 12-167 of the Connecticut General Statutes.

We provide information requested daily by Attorneys, Realtors, banks and the public.

We have implemented credit card availability as requested by our taxpayers. The taxpayer is able to charge their tax by phone, on line or in the office. There is no cost to the town; the companies charge a separate convenient fee for each transaction directly to the taxpayer.

Our staff understands that no one likes to pay taxes, but we owe it to our taxpayers to see that the collection is done as efficiently as possible and always courteously.

Attached is the report of property tax collection for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2011.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn Dorau, CCMC
Tax Collector

cc:
Emilia Portelinha, Finance Director

World Wide Web Address: <http://www.southington.org>

GRAND LIST	TAXES COLLECTIBLE	LEGAL ADDITIONS	LEGAL DEDUCTIONS	TRANSFER SUSPENSE	ADJUSTED TAXES	TAXES COLLECTED	INTEREST	WARRANTS LIENS/FEEs	AMT PAID TO TREASURER	BAL PER MONIES COLLECTED	CREDIT BALANCE	TAXES UNCOLLECTED
2009	\$96,879,962.50	41,176.40	(456,635.87)	(90,765.41)	\$96,373,737.62	\$95,296,177.87	271,422.48	588.00	95,556,188.35	1,077,559.75	176,927.13	1,254,486.88
2008	1,342,536.55	2,077.97	(17,556.07)	(64,420.34)	1,262,638.11	687,394.42	138,954.63	4,727.00	831,076.05	575,243.69	11,677.50	586,921.19
2007	633,707.52	666.82	(8,191.95)	(24,171.43)	602,009.96	245,759.29	123,968.42	2,016.00	371,743.71	356,250.67	6,307.03	362,557.70
2006	265,013.18		(1,656.98)	(6,163.28)	257,192.92	145,031.70	81,497.61	1,152.00	227,681.31	112,161.22	423.60	112,584.82
2005	123,738.38	414.52	(1,533.10)	(6,571.95)	116,047.85	35,607.16	28,585.71	336.00	64,528.87	80,440.89	394.40	80,835.09
2004	57,004.52		(1,687.51)	(2,795.15)	52,521.96	14,769.85	17,773.62	168.00	27,711.47	37,752.01	747.81	38,499.82
2003	31,865.64		(1,088.31)	(7,444.58)	29,332.75	8,387.64	8,691.58	96.00	17,175.22	20,945.11	180.53	21,125.64
2002	20,690.86		(849.32)	(976.44)	18,865.10	3,835.03	4,350.17	84.63	8,269.83	15,030.07		15,030.07
2001	11,734.06		(237.70)		11,496.36	2,275.72	3,058.80	48.00	5,382.52	9,220.64		9,220.64
2000	9,767.44		(135.82)		9,631.62	2,059.40	3,720.07	24.00	5,803.47	7,572.22		7,572.22
1999	7,990.29	141.49	(126.42)	(18.83)	7,986.53	2,480.15	3,734.18	48.00	6,262.33	5,506.38		5,506.38
1998	7,884.84	91.58	(125.50)	(28.04)	7,832.98	1,994.22	4,024.08	24.00	6,042.30	5,838.76		5,838.76
1997	7,689.90	90.65	(122.66)		7,657.89	1,950.53	4,268.43	24.00	6,242.96	5,707.36		5,707.36
1996	7,689.90	64.73	(122.66)		7,631.97	1,859.88	5,226.35	24.00	7,110.23	5,772.09		5,772.09
1995	7,115.83		(121.26)		6,994.57	2,471.60	5,023.40	48.00	7,543.00	4,522.97		4,522.97
	\$99,414,401.51	44,723.16	(490,191.13)	(197,355.45)	\$98,771,578.09	96,452,054.46	669,299.53	9,407.63	97,160,761.62	2,319,523.63	196,658.00	2,516,181.63
SUSPENSE												
2009						4,025.26	677.43		4,702.69			
2008						10,126.43	2,893.70		13,020.13			
2007						11,580.18	5,045.89		16,626.07			
2006						8,745.84	5,445.29		14,191.13			
2005						4,504.85	3,568.59		8,071.44			
2004						5,155.95	4,967.19		10,123.14			
2003						2,461.73	2,694.23		5,155.96			
2002						2,210.80	2,872.82		5,083.62			
2001						1,477.95	2,210.28		3,688.23			
2000						917.97	1,550.75		2,468.72			
1999						708.88	1,249.91		1,956.79			
1998						313.19	658.79		969.98			
1997						516.25	1,158.49		1,674.74			
1996						495.37	1,201.07		1,696.44			
1995						317.36	862.77		1,180.13			
						53,556.01	37,053.20		90,609.21			
	\$99,414,401.51	44,723.16	(490,191.13)	(197,355.45)	\$98,771,578.09	96,505,610.47	736,352.73	9,407.63	97,251,370.83	2,319,523.63	196,658.00	2,516,181.63



Town of SOUTHTON, Connecticut

Leslie G. Cotton, Town Clerk and Registrar of Vital Statistics

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

2010-2011

Over the last couple of years the decline in the Real Estate market has impacted land record volume and subsequently the conveyance tax revenue; two of our largest revenue producers. Last year, however, with the federal government incentive program for first time buyers, we did experience a 26% increase in revenue. That program is no longer in effect and the revenue for this year has declined.

- The "Bottom Line Contribution" in Net total fees this year is \$ 974,708 – a decrease of 21.9% from last year. The decrease is, however, less than a 2% decrease from the 2008/2009 fiscal year.

The volume of land record recordings dipped slightly from last year although the revenue increased by 4.5%. The conveyance tax revenue, however, has dropped by 30.5% as a result of the decrease in property sales. Since February 2004, the town's municipal conveyance tax rate has been \$5.00 per thousand. The good news this year was that the legislature has finally made that rate increase permanent.

The Town Clerk's office was pleased this year to coordinate the Korean War Veterans Award ceremonies sponsored by the Secretary of the State's office. The Southington ceremonies were held at Aqua Turf on Tuesday, November 23 at 10:00am and 3:00pm. There were close to 600 veterans honored at the ceremonies. By researching our discharge records and cross checking with the active Assessor's records, we were able to identify the veterans who received the awards.

The Military Honor Wall installed in 2009 in the lobby of Town Hall is an impressive monument to Southington residents currently serving our country. The Town Clerk's office continues to work with the Unified Military Families group to coordinate the display. Deputy Town Clerk Kathy Larkin has taken on the challenge of keeping the display wall up to date.

The town's website continues to be a big priority for the Town Clerk's office. Making government information and services more accessible to residents remains a goal of the Town Clerk. Residents can access up to date town information 24 hours a day, seven days a week, either by using the town's website at www.southington.org or through government access TV which is operated out of the Town Clerk's office.

Beginning May 1, 2010 the town instituted a new permit program for use of the Bulky Waste Transfer Station. The permits are available at the Town Clerk's office and on line at the Southington website www.southington.org. The Town Clerk's staff works together with the Highway Department to provide residents with a smooth operation of the program. In the first year of operation the Town Clerk's office issued a total of 8,083 permits.

Passports continue to be available at town hall due to collaboration between the Town Clerk and Economic Development offices. When the Southington Probate Court was consolidated in Cheshire earlier this year the service was discontinued. Through the efforts of the Town Clerk passports are now available to residents in the Economic Development office and the Town Clerk's office handles the fiscal responsibilities.

I am pleased with the solid contribution made by the staff in the Town Clerk's office everyday. Ericka Witkoski has completed her first year in the clerk's office. Her winning smile and solid grasp of technology has been very helpful. Julia Berardinelli continued to work with both the website and government access TV. Sandra Brunoli continues to oversee the very detailed Vital Statistics responsibilities and helps coordinate the Town Records Management program. Deputy Town Clerk Kathy Larkin oversees the day to day operation of the office. I am very proud of the professional manner in which Kathy manages her duties. The goal of the Southington Town Clerk's Office is to provide outstanding service in an efficient and cost effective manner. I am pleased to say that our staff meets that challenge every day.

Sincerely,

Leslie G. Cotton
Leslie G. Cotton, MMC
Town Clerk



Town of SOUTHTON, Connecticut

Leslie G. Cotton, Town Clerk and Registrar of Vital Statistics

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

JULY 1, 2010 - JUNE 30, 2011

LAND RECORD DOCUMENTS (38,657 PGS. 30 VOLS)	9,193
TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES - PAGES RECORDED	610
LIQUOR PERMITS FILED	79
VETERANS DISCHARGES RECORDED	82
TRADE NAMES FILED	136
MAPS FILED	64
SPORTS LICENSES & TAGS	1,345
DOG LICENSES ISSUED	2,699
DOG-KENNEL LICENSES ISSUED	2
TRANSFER STATION PERMITS	8,083

VITAL STATISTICS

BIRTHS-SOUTHTON RESIDENTS	345
MARRIAGES IN TOWN	222
MARRIAGE LICENSES ISSUED	226
DEATHS IN TOWN	324
BURIALS IN TOWN	227
VITAL STATISTIC COPIES ISSUED	3,132

RECEIPTS-FEES OF TOWN CLERKS OFFICE

RECORDING DOCUMENTS-LAND RECORDS	224,624.00
CONVEYANCE TAX	648,275.54
HISTORIC PRESERVATION FEES	23,349.00
FARMLAND PRESERVATION FEE	311,320.00
MISCELLANEOUS FILING, COPIES ETC.	32,146.92
MAPS COPIES	1,675.00
VITAL STATISTIC COPIES	62,335.00
MARRIAGE LICENSE FEES	6,780.00
SPORT LICENSES & TAGS	14,829.00
DOG LICENSES	23,726.00
PASSPORT APPLICATION FEES	2,375.00
<u>GRAND TOTAL-FEES COLLECTED</u>	1,349,060.46

PAID TO STATE FOR MARRIAGE LICENSE SURCHARGE	4,294.00
PAID TO STATE FOR SPORT LICENSES & TAGS	14,360.00
PAID TO TOWN FOR DOG ACCOUNT	21,029.50
PAID TO STATE FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION FEE	15,566.00
PAID TO TOWN FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION FEE	7,783.00
PAID TO STATE FOR FARMLAND PRES FEE	280,188.00
PAID TO TOWN FOR FARMLAND PRES FEE	31,132.00
<u>TOTAL FEES DEDUCTED</u>	374,352.50

NET TOTAL

974,707.96


LESLIE G. COTTON, MMC

BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS
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Robert M. Berkmoes, SECRETARY & TREASURER
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Cheryl S. Lounsbury



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December 14, 2011

Mr. Garry Brumback
Town Manager
Town Hall
75 Main Street
Southington, CT 06489

Dear Mr. Brumback:

Attached in the Annual Report of the Board of Water Commissioners for the year ending
June 30, 2011.

Sincerely,

Thomas R. West, P.E.
Superintendent

Attachments

ONE HUNDRETH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS
FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2011

WATER SUPPLIES

On January 3, 2003, the Water Department's updated, Water Supply Plan was approved by the State of Connecticut Commissioner of Health. This is the Water Department's third approved Water Supply Plan. The information in the updated plan includes all proposed capitol improvements for the next five years, an overall view of our current water supply system and revised population projections based on 2000 census data. The Town of Southington's Plan of Development was also used to more accurately predict water supply needs over the next fifty years. The updated plan shows that based on projected population demands current water supplies are adequate to meet customer demand through the year 2020. At that point under the updated plan additional water supply options consisting of the Tomasso Well Field off Deerbrooke Circle, stream flow augmentation of the Quinnipiac River using the Plainville Reservoir and interconnections with neighboring water suppliers will need to be considered.

Major capitol improvements that occurred during this year include the installation of mains on, Curtiss Street, East Summer Street, Fieldstone Lane, Mount Vernon Road, Lazy Lane, Norton Street, Pacer Lane, Timberwood Drive, Todd Road, Triano Drive, Welch Road, West Street, West Center Street.

ADDITIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS

A total of 2.60 miles of new mains were installed. Thirty-four (34) new hydrants were installed during the year. Seventy-four (74) new services were added during the year and seven (7) services were retired. Three hundred and sixty-one (361) services remain inactive in the system for future use.

STATISICAL

	<u>July 1911</u>	<u>June 30, 2011</u>
Miles of Main in use, 1" to 4"	10.885	4.43
Miles of Main in use, 6" to 16"	<u>10.542</u>	<u>192.02</u>
	21.427	196.45
Estimated Population served-within Town	4,620	43,180
Estimated Population served-outside Town	-0-	471
Total Valves in use	189	2,397
Fire Hydrants, Public	90	1,384
Fire Lines, Private	-0-	262
Meters in Service	22	12,472
Active Services	986	12,734

FINANCIAL

The Financial Statement as prepared by the auditor appears elsewhere in the Town Report. The Financial Statements for this report are for the period of July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011

WATER CONSUMPTION

Rainfall for the period July 1, 2010, through June 30, 2011, totaled 59.86 inches, 11.94 inches above Southington's median annual precipitation.

The highest demand occurred July 7, 2010, when consumption reached 8.50 million gallons. This is 220.8 % of the average daily consumption.

Water consumption for the year:

From Reservoir	58,594,000 Gallons
From Well # 1	185,742,000 Gallons
From Well # 2	217,813,000 Gallons
From Well # 3	115,945,000 Gallons
From Well # 4	-0- Gallons
From Well # 5	-0- Gallons
From Well # 6	-0- Gallons
From Well # 7	41,058,000 Gallons
From Well # 8	27,564,000 Gallons
from Well # 9	761,050,000 Gallons
from New Britain Well	1,720,000 Gallons
Total Pumped From Wells	1,349,172,000 Gallons
Total Consumption	1,409,486,000 Gallons
Average Daily Consumption	3,853,386 Gallons

PLANT ADDITIONS
2010-2011

The following additions to the plant were made during the year:

Miscellaneous Tangible Plant	\$	-
Land & Land Rights	\$	-
Structures & Improvements	\$	6,965.00
Collect & Impound Reservoirs	\$	-
Wells & Springs	\$	-
Distribution Mains & Accessories	\$	210,463.66
Meters & Installations	\$	83,097.13
Hydrants	\$	14,308.89
Pumping Equipment	\$	20,963.00
Treatment Equipment	\$	-
Office Furniture & Equipment	\$	-
Computer	\$	6,244.97
Communications Equipment	\$	1,470.00
Tools & Work Equipment	\$	5,559.98
Laboratory Equipment	\$	-
Transportation Equipment	\$	29,712.58
Power Equipment	\$	29,900.00
Miscellaneous Equipment	\$	-
	\$	408,685.21

10/6/2011

BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

The Board is organized as follows:

Thomas J. Murphy, President	Term expires October 2013
Erik E. Semmel, Vice President	Term expires October 2011
Robert M. Berkmoes, Secretary & Treasurer	Term expires October 2011
Angelina Santa Maria	Term expires October 2013
Michael S. Domian	Term expires October 2011
Cheryl S. Lounsbury	Term expires October 2013

Respectfully Submitted,

SOUTHINGTON WATER DEPARTMENT

Thomas R. West
Superintendent

Town of Southington

Water Pollution Control

999 Meriden Waterbury Turnpike
Plantsville, CT 06479

Phone: 860-628-8530

Fax: 860-621-7707

John De Gioia-Superintendent



ANNUAL REPORT

FISCAL YEAR 2010-2011

During Fiscal Year 2010-2011, the Town's Water Pollution Control facility treated 1.487 billion gallons of wastewater (average=4.07 million gallons per day) and 752,750 gallons of septage. The yearly average effluent discharge results for this period include 5.9 mg/l CBOD (permit=30mg/l), 11.0 mg/l UOD (permit=27.1mg/l summer, no limit winter), 3.7 mg/l suspended solids (permit=30mg/l), and 0.51mg/l ammonia (permit=2.0mg/l summer, 20mg/l winter). Our average survival rate for all species for our aquatic toxicity testing was 99.0%. This facility also processed almost 3.7 million gallons of biosolids to 300 dry tons, which were trucked by us to the Hartford MDC Treatment Plant, Synagro in Waterbury and Naugatuck Treatment for final disposal. Our solids digestion system produced over 24.23 million cubic feet of methane gas, which was used to heat our buildings in the winter and heat our digesters year round.

This Department responded to 56 trouble calls, including 24 sewer blockages (7 grease, 4 roots and 13 other), 5 rattling manhole covers and 27 calls found not to be our problem.

This fiscal year found many overdue projects being implemented. Among them is the East Summer Street bypass, Farmstead interceptor, pump station roof, two buried oil tanks, Queen Street Pump Station and the elimination of the Plantsville tanks.

We again had problems in the spring in the Misery Brook Interceptor area, and have hired an engineering firm to help determine the cause and solution.

Once again, our facility has performed to the satisfaction of Federal and State regulatory agencies, thanks to the efforts of a professional crew, two highly qualified and capable foremen and the support of the Town Manager and Town Council.

John De Gioia
Superintendent
Water Pollution Control

Southington Youth Services

Phone (860) 276-6281
Fax (860) 276-6277

93 Main Street

Susan Saucier
Director



John Sperduti
Counselor

Susan Williams
Counselor

Southington, Connecticut 06489

ANNUAL REPORT

2011

The Youth Services Department has just completed its 37th year of operation. Responding to the needs of the community, we offer an ever changing variety of services to youth and their families. Most of our programs become filled up shortly after being announced and we often have waiting lists. This is a testament to the quality of our staff and programming, and our visibility within the community.

Despite the poor economic climate, the state legislature realized the importance of community based youth service bureaus and fully funded the line item that brings Southington \$26,705 in grant money through the State Department of Education. In addition, the Enhancement Grant funding, \$7,550, intended for YSB direct service projects 2 years ago, was saved too. Our staffing includes a Director, 2 Counselors, a Secretary, and thanks to Year 2 of the federal Drug Free Communities Grant of \$125,000 awarded to Southington in September 2009, our part time Youth Prevention Coordinator is again funded full time to work on the Southington Town wide Effort to Promote Success or STEPS initiative. For Youth Services, it was a very good year.

Youth Services Programs

Therapeutic Individual Counseling, Family Intervention, Group Counseling.

Diversion Juvenile Review Board, Alternative to Suspension.

Education Student Workshops, Parent Information Series, Teacher In- services.

Community Programs S.T.E.P.S., Youth Employment Service, Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Support Group, Kristen's Klostet.

Positive Youth Development Peer Advocate Training, Success Café, While I'm in Charge, Babysitting.



THERAPEUTIC PROGRAMS

Referrals to our **individual counseling and family intervention programs** come from the school system, the police department, parents and youth themselves. As a matter of convenience and for community outreach reasons, we held many of our counseling sessions at the schools. The remainder of our clients met with us in the Town Hall Annex, 93 Main Street next door to the Southington Town Hall.

Some of the problems we help youth and families with are: family dysfunction, self-esteem, child abuse and neglect, truancy, drug and alcohol abuse, grief, depression, educational issues and stress. This year we met with 74 youth in individual counseling and served over 43 families. After school, our times for meeting with students were full most of this year and we were often forced to refer residents to other services.

Our group counseling program has given us the opportunity to make contact with many more students than we could meet with individually. Working with the social work staff at Southington High School, we provided **in school group counseling** services to 96 students on topics including high school adjustment, young women's issues, grief, anger management, stress, and alcohol and drug issues.

DIVERSIONARY PROGRAMS

The **Juvenile Review Board** confidentially reviews all cases of juvenile arrests and after weighing all available information, makes appropriate recommendations to the Police Chief. This year only 1 case was reviewed and the student was diverted from the juvenile court to the Juvenile Review Board. The juvenile's accountability consisted of letters of apology, an on-line education program and counseling. This program of diverting youth from the court system, though not used frequently this year, is valuable because it benefits both the youth and our community.

Youth Services Staff continued working with Southington High School's **Alternative to Suspension Program**. This groundbreaking program allowed our staff to offer prevention and early intervention services to students in after-school groups, instead of these students being suspended from school. This year continued a successful collaboration between us and the school system. Our staff facilitated 16 sessions throughout the school year and reached 68 students in this program.

COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

Youth Services is a founding member of the prevention initiative entitled "**Southington's Town wide Effort to Promote Success**" or **S.T.E.P.S.** The S.T.E.P.S. goal is to reduce risky behaviors among our children and youth by engaging the entire community in partnerships. Our Youth Prevention Coordinator heads up STEPS and was extremely busy this year, because STEPS really has gained a presence in our community. Just a few of the accomplishments that our staff member has been responsible for are: a monthly STEPS newsletter, an updated STEPS website (www.southingtonsteps.org), a STEPS

brochure, public services announcements on local cable stations and creating partnerships with all sectors of the community. Changing the culture of our community will take a long time, but Southington Youth Services is in for the duration!

The Youth Services continues to sponsor the **Youth Employment Service (Y.E.S.)**, which matches able and willing youth aged 14-16, with town residents needing help with odd jobs. Last year 18 jobs were filled and this year 22 new youth were interviewed and were accepted into the program. They will be filling jobs that will be called in to us over the next year, such as babysitting, yard work, shoveling snow, leaf raking and house cleaning. Evaluation forms filled out by the employers help us to keep tabs on the work our young workers are doing. Good reports entitle these workers to special rewards compliments of the Youth Services staff!

Youth Services works with Calendar House Senior Center to sponsor a **Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Support Group**. This year, after 2 planning meetings, our group struck out on their own with members taking leadership positions to find a location, arrange refreshments and plan the programs. They held 4 spring meetings and even wrote a grant and received \$600 in funding through the Calvanese Foundation. Throughout the year, we had 62 grandparents attend the 6 monthly meetings and 31 grandchildren were in attendance, too. A light dinner was offered as was child care for the grandchildren. Meetings offered speakers on behavioral issues, childhood development, and legal issues for grandparents. For the 3rd time, our group co-sponsored a regional Grandparents Conference again entitled "The Not-So Empty Nest" with Plainville and Farmington grandparent groups. 10 grandparents from Southington were able to attend this year.

This was our 5th year of **Kristen's Klosest Prom Project**. Named after a local teen tragically killed in a car accident, the program has become one of our most successful and community supported projects! It provides prom clothing and accessories to students having financial difficulties. Working with donations from local businesses, agencies and residents, the program assisted 46 students with tickets, gowns, tuxes, shoes, jewelry at no cost. It also included a shop at 2211 Meriden Waterbury Road, open during prom season where girls could purchase low cost prom items and 143 others took advantage of this opportunity generating funds which are turned back into the program to help other Southington students in future years. We received so much positive feedback this year from students and parents who were grateful that they could find beautiful, gently used prom attire that was affordable. In addition, we recruited 33 wonderful committed volunteers who ran the shop, putting in over 445 hours of service so it could be open more hours than ever before. It was a wonderful prom season!

EDUCATION

The Youth Services offered **workshops to students** in Health classes on a variety of topics including dating violence, and suicide and depression. We reached 462 8th grade students.

Our **Parent Information Series** consisted of 6 parenting programs this year. Sessions discussed: “Growing Up Too Fast”, “Transforming the Difficult Child”, “Love and Logic”. “Peer Pressure and Bullying” and “My Baby’s Going to Middle School!”. 67 parents attended these workshops.

The Youth Services staff continues to be called upon to provide **in-service training** to Southington teachers. We provided an update on depression and suicide issues to 40 staff at Strong School this year.

POSITIVE YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

The **Peer Advocate Program** at both the middle schools has been in existence for quite a few years and Youth Services’ staff again provided the training for 56 students. For one week during their summer vacation, middle schoolers chosen for this program participate in role playing and other activities led by Youth Services. They will now be ready to work on prevention projects within their schools as well as helping out their peers.

Thanks to the 4th year of the Youth Service Bureau Enhancement Grant Program (\$7,550), we were able to continue our popular after school program entitled “Success Café”. At each middle school, the **Success Café** was offered for 4 seven week sessions to students throughout the school year. This after-school club focused on building developmental assets, or building blocks to a healthy and successful life. This is the prevention model that is being used by S.T.E.P.S., Southington’s Town wide Effort to Promote Success. Students worked on internal assets such as integrity, honesty, caring and self-esteem. Parents reported that participation in the club improved student’s attitude at home, in school and within themselves. 53 students participated, and the YSB Enhancement Grant, a grant from the Women and Girls Fund of the Main Street Foundation of \$5,000 and donations from the DePaolo Family Foundation, the Manor Inn, Inc., and a resident, Carol Besecheck made it possible to offer scholarships to students who could not afford the program.

“When I’m in Charge”, a Red Cross certified program was offered 6 times this year. Geared towards children aged 10-13, the 2 hour training teaches how to stay safe if you are left home alone. This popular program has been filled every time we have offered it. 52 students participated this year.

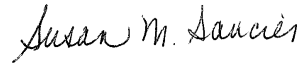
We also offer the Red Cross Certified **Babysitting** Course because it is in such demand. We were able to hold 4 sessions this year and 67 girls and boys became certified by taking the class and passing their tests. We will continue to hold this class as long as the demand is there. We also added a CPR and First Aid Certification class this year and offered it 1 time. We were able to certify 16 students. Summer is a good time for students to take advantage of these classes, which are offered at a very small fee.

This has been a busy, exciting year at Southington Youth Services. We have managed to reach many more youth and families who have been affected by the state of the economy and other social issues, by reinventing programming, collaborating more with other

groups and organizations, and offering scholarships to eligible students for our programs that charge a fee.

In summary, we have been able to live within our budget, increase our services and bring in grants and donations of \$31,311.00 In an economy such as this, we feel fortunate to have had such a productive and successful year.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Susan M. Saucier".

SUSAN M. SAUCIER
Director

Zoning Board of Appeals Town of Southington

Robert Salka, Chairman
Patricia Potter, Secretary
Jeffery Gworek
Bryan M. Wysong
Ronald Bohigian, Alternate
Matthew J. O'Keefe, Alternate
Michael Milo, Alternate
Juanita Champagne, Alternate

ANNUAL REPORT JULY 1, 2010 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2011

The Connecticut General Statutes require that in each municipality having a zoning commission, there be an appeals board. The appeals board has three specific duties: first, to hear and decide appeals where it is alleged that there is an error in any order, requirement, or decision of the Zoning Enforcement Officer, second, to hear and decide on applications for special exception, and third, to determine and vary the application of the zoning bylaws.

This past year, sixty-six applications were received. This was down ten from the previous year. Of the sixty-six applications, twenty-eight were to vary the building setback requirements for new construction as well as additions to existing structures. Other applications included requests to vary the size of accessory buildings, vary the height, size, and location of signs, and to change nonconforming uses. Twenty-six applications were received for special exception. These included the sale and dispensing of alcoholic beverages, automotive sales and repair, and temporary events including the Apple Harvest and Italian festivals.

The ZBA meets in the Town Council Chambers every second and fourth Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m., except when a holiday interrupts the normal schedule. The meetings are open to the public.

MEMBERSHIP

The Chairman of the Zoning Board of Appeals is Robert Salka, there is currently a vacancy for the position of Vice-Chairman and Patricia Potter serves as Secretary. Other members include Jeffrey D. Gworek, Bryan Wysong and Alternates Ronald Bohigian, Michael Milo, Matthew J. O'Keefe and Juanita Champagne.

Respectfully submitted,



Robert Librandi, Zoning Enforcement Officer

TOWN OF SOUTHINGTON, CONNECTICUT



COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

Comprehensive Annual Financial Report

of the

Town of Southington Connecticut

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2011

Prepared by:
Department of Finance
Emilia C. Portelinha
Director of Finance

TOWN OF SOUTHTON, CONNECTICUT
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TOWN OF SOUTHTON, CONNECTICUT

PRINCIPAL OFFICIALS

JUNE 30, 2011

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John Dobbins, Vice Chairman
John Barry
Anthony D' Angelo
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Garry Brumback

Administration

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Town Attorney/Assistant Town Manager
Building Inspector
Economic Development Coordinator
Public Works Director/Town Engineer
Director of Finance
Health Director
Fire Chief
Librarian
Town Planner
Police Chief
Director of Recreation
Superintendent of Highways and Parks
Tax Collector
Town Clerk
Town Treasurer
Water Pollution Plant Superintendent
Director of Youth Services
Director of Calendar House Senior Center

Brian Lastra
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Harold Clark
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Mary Savage-Dunham
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David Lapreay
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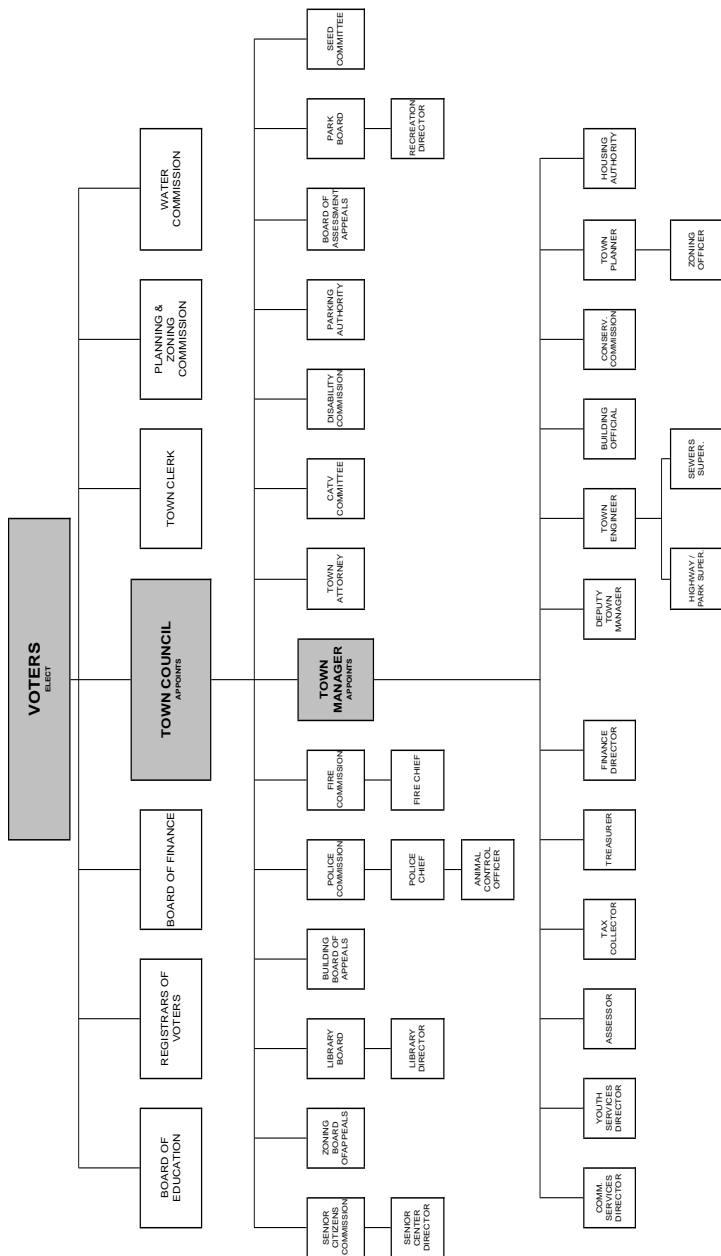
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Superintendent of Schools

Dr. Joseph Erardi, Jr.

TOWN OF SOUTHLINGTON

GENERAL GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



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Town of Southington

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December 21, 2011

To the Honorable Members of the Town Council, Members of the Board of Finance and Citizens of the Town of Southington:

State law requires that all general-purpose local governments publish within six months of the close of each fiscal year a complete set of financial statements presented in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) and audited in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America by a firm of licensed certified public accountants. Pursuant to the requirement, issued herein is the comprehensive annual financial report of the Town of Southington for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2011.

This report consists of management's representation concerning the financial statements of the Town of Southington. Consequently, management assumes full responsibility for the completeness and reliability of all of the information presented in this report. To provide a reasonable basis for making these representations, management of the Town of Southington has established a comprehensive internal control framework that is designed both to protect the government's assets from loss, theft or misuse and to compile sufficient reliable information for the preparation of the Town of Southington's financial statements in conformity with GAAP. Given that the cost of internal controls should not outweigh their benefits, the Town of Southington's comprehensive framework of internal controls has been designed to provide reasonable, rather than absolute, assurance that the financial statements will be free from material misstatement. Management asserts that, to the best of its knowledge and belief, this financial report is complete and reliable in all material respects.

The Town of Southington's financial statements have been audited by Blum, Shapiro & Company, P.C., a firm of licensed certified public accountants. The goal of the independent audit was to provide reasonable assurance that the financial statements of the Town of Southington for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2011 are free of material misstatement. The independent audit involved examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements; assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management; and evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. The independent auditor concluded, based upon the audit, that there was a reasonable basis for rendering an unqualified opinion that the Town of Southington's financial statements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2011 are fairly presented in conformity with GAAP. The independent auditors' report is presented as the first component of the financial section of this report.

The independent audit of the financial statements of the Town of Southington was part of a broader federal and state mandated “Single Audit” designed to meet the special needs of federal and state grantor agencies. The standards governing Single Audit engagements require the independent auditor to report not only on the fair presentation of the financial statements, but also on the Town’s internal controls and compliance with legal requirements for the federal and state grant awards. These reports are available in the Town of Southington’s separately issued Federal Single Audit and State Single Audit reports.

GAAP requires that management provide a narrative introduction, overview and analysis to accompany the basic financial statements in the form of Management’s Discussion and Analysis (MD&A). This letter of transmittal is designed to complement the MD&A and should be read in conjunction with it. The Town of Southington’s MD&A can be found immediately following the report of the independent auditors.

PROFILE OF THE GOVERNMENT

Description of the Municipality

The Town of Southington was originally settled in 1698 and incorporated in 1779. It has a land area of approximately 36.9 square miles and a population of 43,130 located in Hartford County. Found in the geographical center of the State, Southington lies approximately 20 miles west of Hartford, the state capital, and 9 miles east of Waterbury. Other bordering cities include Meriden, New Britain and Bristol. Some of Connecticut’s major highways provide access to the Town. Interstate 84 bisects Southington and Route 691 leads directly to Interstate 91. Route 10 also runs through it.

Form of Government

The Town of Southington is governed under the provisions of a charter and the Connecticut General Statutes. Southington has had a Council-Manager form of government since 1966. The Town Council, which is comprised of nine members who are elected for two-year terms, appoints the Town Manager. The Town Manager is responsible for the supervision and administration of all commissions, boards, departments, offices and agencies of the Town, except those elected by the people, appointed by the Council, or appointed by a regional, State or Federal authority.

The Town of Southington provides a full range of services including: General Government, Public Safety, Public Works, Health and Welfare, Human Services, Parks and Recreation, Public Library and Museum, Planning and Development, and Education.

ECONOMY AND FACTORS AFFECTING FINANCIAL CONDITION

The information presented in the financial statements is perhaps best understood when it is considered from the perspective of the specific environment within which the Town of Southington operates.

Local Economy: The Town of Southington enjoys a stable economic environment with moderate growth. The Town of Southington’s October 1, 2009 Net Taxable Grand list of \$4.0 billion is an increase of \$51.1 million or 1.3% over the previous year.

The Town of Southington, through its aggressive economic development efforts, has a diverse industrial and commercial tax base. The top ten taxpayers account for only 4.35% of the total taxable Grand List and include a medical device manufacturer, a steel processor, three real estate agencies, two public utilities, and three retail facilities. The overall goals of the economic development efforts are to retain existing businesses and attract new ones, especially small manufacturers, which is a growing segment of the regional and national business market. The Town utilizes its Enterprise Zone for this purpose. This Enterprise Zone comprises approximately 2,000 acres, one of the largest in New England. Companies

may qualify for local tax abatements and state tax credits for job creation within the Enterprise Zone. Several new incentives have been added including a Brownfield Tax Abatement Program to assist with Brownfield redevelopment, a Tax Partnership Program and a Manufacturing Benefits Program with the intent of providing assistance to manufacturers outside of the Enterprise Zone.

Since 2008, the nation as a whole has slipped into a recession. As a result, the national unemployment rate remains at a 25-year high of 9.2%. The Town's unemployment rate of 7.5% as of June 2011 continues to be well below the Hartford County's rate of 9.7% and the State of Connecticut's rate of 9.1%.

Relevant Financial Policies

The Town has adopted the following key financial policies:

Budgetary Control. Expenditures may not legally exceed budgeted appropriations at the object level. Management cannot amend the budget. Supplemental appropriations and transfers within the same department must be approved by the Board of Finance and, if \$500 or over, the Town Council. Transfers between departments may be made only in the last three months of the fiscal year. Monthly revenue and expenditure actual vs. budget reports are reviewed with the Board of Finance.

Fund Balance Policy. The Town shall strive to maintain during the year, and specifically at fiscal year end, a level of general fund undesignated fund balance, also known as accumulated surplus or the "rainy day" fund of 9% of actual year end general fund revenues. The 9% shall be known as the Town's "target floor." As of June 30, 2011, the Town has surpassed the target and achieved a 10.4% Undesignated Fund Balance (Unassigned Fund Balance). The Town is currently in the process of revising this policy to conform to the language contained in Government Accounting Standards Board No. 54, *Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions*.

Utilization of Fund Balance Policy. The Town has set a goal to reduce and eventually eliminate any use of general fund balance to balance the budget, therefore eliminating "Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures" within the Fund Balance section on the audited general fund balance sheet. This goal shall be accomplished by the reduction of \$100,000 - \$125,000 per year of such a budget balancing revenue source until the source/use is completely eliminated. Due to the current economic environment, the Board of Finance and Town Council have decided to reduce the utilization of fund balance by the lesser amount of 50,000 for the new fiscal year. The Town utilized \$375 thousand to balance the fiscal year 2011-2012 budget.

Debt Management Policy. The Town shall utilize the following limits to guide issuance of debt:

- a. Total Direct Indebtedness shall not exceed 3% of full market valuation (equalized grand list). As of June 30, 2011, total direct indebtedness is 1.27 %.
- b. Total Direct Service shall be below 8% of general fund expenditures. As of June 30, 2011, total debt service as a percentage of general fund expenditures is 5.47%.
- c. All general obligation debt shall be structured to retire at least 25% in five years and 70% within 10 years. With the general obligation bond issue of March 2011, the Town structured the debt so that 42.1% of total debt would be retired in 5 years and 75.3% would be retired in 10 years.

Contingency Planning Policy. The Town shall require sufficient contingency fund levels to avoid the use of undesignated fund balance. Contingency shall not exceed 1.125% of previous fiscal year budgeted expenditures. Due to the current economic environment, the Town approved the contingency account for fiscal year 2011-2012 budget at \$850 thousand, the same funding level as the prior year's budget.

Investment Policy. The Town invests its idle cash and seeks to maintain safety, liquidity, and optimum yields on its investments. Under existing State statutes, allowable investments include certificates of deposit, money market and other short term liquid accounts, repurchase agreements, U.S. Government securities, and investment pools which possess the aforementioned investment instruments. The Town's funds were primarily invested in municipal money market accounts and investment pools containing U.S. Government securities during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2011. Due to the drastic decrease in the interest rate environment the Town earned interest between 0.20% and 0.75% on its investments. Approximately \$131 thousand of investment income was generated for the General Fund.

The Town will look to update its investment policy and implement additional financial policies in the near-future.

Long-term financial planning

The Town views infrastructure maintenance and improvements as vital to future economic growth and financial planning. By assessing needs and developing a capital improvement plan to spread the improvements over a period of years, the tax mill rate effect can be lessened.

The Town Council approved the Town's Capital Improvement Plan which includes various infrastructure projects and major equipment, totaling \$84.8 million for the six-year period beginning with fiscal year 2009-10 and ending with fiscal year 2014-15. The Town is currently working on an updated comprehensive Capital Improvement Plan which will be jointly presented by the Town and Board of Education to the Board of Finance and Town Council within the next couple of months.

AWARD

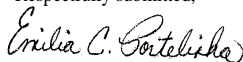
The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) awarded a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting to the Town of Southington for its comprehensive annual financial report (CAFR) for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2010. This was the twentieth consecutive year that the Town has received this prestigious award. In order to be awarded a Certificate of Achievement, the Town published an easily readable and efficiently organized CAFR. This report satisfied both generally accepted accounting principles and applicable legal requirements.

A Certificate of Achievement for Excellence is valid for a period of one year only. We believe that our current CAFR continues to meet the Certificate of Achievement Program's requirements and we are submitting it to the GFOA to determine its eligibility for another certificate.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The preparation of this report could not have been accomplished without the daily efforts of the entire staff of the Department of Finance. The preparation of the CAFR requires a major effort, and I would like to express my appreciation to those who assisted and contributed to the preparation of this report. I would also like to thank the Town Council, the Board of Finance and the Town Manager for their interest and support in planning and conducting the financial operations of the Town in a responsible and progressive manner. Finally, the professional assistance and guidance provided by our independent auditors, Blum, Shapiro & Company, P.C., was most appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,



Emilia C. Portelinha
Director of Finance

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Independent Auditors' Report

To the Board of Finance
Town of Southington, Connecticut

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Southington, Connecticut, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2011, which collectively comprise the Town of Southington, Connecticut's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Town's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the basic financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and the significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Southington, Connecticut, as of June 30, 2011 and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows, where applicable, for the year then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated December 21, 2011 on our consideration of the Town of Southington, Connecticut's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

Management's discussion and analysis on pages 3 through 13 and the budgetary comparison information on pages 44 through 57 are not required parts of the basic financial statements but are supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town of Southington, Connecticut's basic financial statements. The introductory section, combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements and schedules, and statistical tables are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. The combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements and schedules have been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The introductory section and statistical tables have not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements, and, accordingly, we express no opinion on them.

Blum, Shapiro & Company, P.C.

December 21, 2011

TOWN OF SOUTHTON, CONNECTICUT

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

JUNE 30, 2011

As management of the Town of Southington, Connecticut (the Town) we offer readers of the financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Town for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2011. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here in conjunction with additional information that we have furnished in our letter of transmittal, as well as the Town's basic financial statements that follow this section.

Financial Highlights

- On a government-wide basis, the assets of the Town exceeded its liabilities resulting in total net assets at the close of the fiscal year of \$160.9 million. Total net assets for governmental activities at fiscal year-end were \$111.9 million and total net assets for business-type activities were \$49.0 million.
- On a government-wide basis, during the year, the Town's net assets increased by \$11.1 million or 7.4% from \$149.8 million to \$160.9 million. Net assets increased by \$9.9 million for governmental activities and increased by \$1.1 million for business-type activities. Governmental activities expenses and transfers out were \$137.6 million, while revenues were \$147.5 million.
- At the close of the year, the Town's governmental funds reported, on a current financial resource basis, combined ending fund balances of \$19.5 million, an increase of \$24.2 million from the prior fiscal year (Exhibit IV).
- At the end of the current fiscal year, the total fund balance for the General Fund alone was \$15.1 million, an increase of \$1.8 million from the prior fiscal year. Of the total fund balance \$13.5 million represents unassigned fund balance. The unassigned General Fund balance at year-end represents 10.4% of total General Fund revenues (\$129.6 million), an increase of .3% from last year.
- The tax collection rate was 98.70% of the current levy, exceeding last year's rate of 98.55%.

Overview of the Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the Town's basic financial statements. The basic financial statements comprise three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the financial statements. This report also contains supplementary information and a statistical section.

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the Town's finances, in a manner similar to private-sector business. All of the resources the Town has at its disposal are shown, including major assets such as buildings and infrastructure. A thorough accounting of the cost of government is rendered because the statements present all costs, not just how much was collected and disbursed. They provide both long-term and short-term information about the Town's overall financial status.

The statement of net assets presents information on all of Southington's assets and liabilities, with the difference reported as net assets. One can think of the Town's net assets - the difference between assets and liabilities - as one way to measure the Town's financial health or financial position. Over time, increases or decreases in net assets may serve as an indicator of whether the financial position of the Town is improving or deteriorating. It speaks to the question of whether or not the Town, as a whole, is better or worse off as a

result of this year's activities. Other nonfinancial factors will need to be considered, however, such as changes in the Town's property tax base and the condition of the Town's roads, to assess the overall health of the Town.

The statement of activities presents information showing how the Town's net assets changed during the most recent fiscal year. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are taken into account regardless of when cash is received or paid. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flow in some future fiscal period, for example uncollected taxes and earned but unused vacation leave.

Both of the government-wide financial statements distinguish functions of the Town that are principally supported by property taxes, charges for services and intergovernmental revenues (governmental activities) from other functions that are intended to recover all or a significant portion of their costs through user fees and charges (business-type activities). The governmental activities of the Town encompass the Town's basic services and include governmental and community services, administration, public safety, health and welfare, and education. The business-type activities of the Town include the Sewer Operating Fund.

The government-wide financial statements (statement of net assets and statement of activities) can be found on Exhibits I and II of this report.

Fund Financial Statements

A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control and accountability over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The Town, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. The Town has three kinds of funds:

Governmental Funds. Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of expendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating a government's near-term financing requirements.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, the readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities.

The Town maintains 23 individual governmental funds. Information is presented separately in the governmental fund balance sheet and in the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances for the General Fund, Capital Projects Fund and the Sewer Assessment Fund, all of which are considered to be major funds. Data from the other 20 governmental funds are combined into a single, aggregated presentation as other non-major governmental funds.

Individual fund data for each of these non-major governmental funds is provided in the combining balance sheet and in the combining statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances on Exhibit B-1 and B-2.

The basic governmental fund financial statements (balance sheet and statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances) can be found on Exhibits III and IV of this report.

Proprietary Funds. The Town maintains two different types of proprietary funds. Enterprise funds are used to report the same functions presented as business-type activities in the government-wide financial statements. The Town of Southington uses an enterprise fund to account for its Sewer Fund. Internal service funds are an accounting device used to accumulate and allocate certain costs internally among the Town of Southington's various functions. The Town uses internal service funds to account for its Employee Health Self-Insurance Fund.

Proprietary funds provide the same type of information as the government-wide financial statements, only in more detail. The proprietary fund financial statements provide separate information for the Sewer Enterprise Fund and the Health Insurance Internal Service Fund.

The proprietary fund financial statements can be found on Exhibits V-VII of this report.

Fiduciary Funds. Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the government. Fiduciary funds are not reflected in the government-wide financial statements because the resources of those funds are not available to provide services to the Town's constituency. The Town has two agency funds: the Student Activity Fund and the Escrow Deposit Fund. The accounting used for fiduciary funds is much like that used for proprietary funds. The basic fiduciary fund financial statements can be found on Exhibit VIII.

Notes to the Financial Statements

The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements can be found on pages 24 through 43 of this report.

Certain required supplementary information is reported concerning the Town's progress in funding its obligations to provide pension benefits and other post employment benefits to its employees. This information can be found on pages 44 through 57 of this report.

Government-Wide Financial Analysis

As noted earlier, net assets may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position and an important determinant of its ability to finance services in the future. The Town's total assets exceeded liabilities by \$ 160.9 million on June 30, 2011. Governmental activities assets exceeded liabilities by \$111.9 million. Business-type activities assets exceeded liabilities by \$49.0 million.

TABLE 1
NET ASSETS
In Thousands

	Governmental Activities		Business-Type Activities		Total	
	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010
Current and other assets	\$ 38,106	\$ 29,548	\$ 2,037	\$ 1,526	\$ 40,143	\$ 31,074
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	177,919	175,402	47,450	47,103	225,369	222,505
Total assets	<u>216,025</u>	<u>204,950</u>	<u>49,487</u>	<u>48,629</u>	<u>265,512</u>	<u>253,579</u>
Long-term debt outstanding	98,259	75,703			98,259	75,703
Other liabilities	5,913	27,323	452	737	6,365	28,060
Total liabilities	<u>104,172</u>	<u>103,026</u>	<u>452</u>	<u>737</u>	<u>104,624</u>	<u>103,763</u>
Net Assets:						
Invested in capital assets, net of debt	104,035	99,125	47,450	47,103	151,485	146,228
Restricted	1,032	985			1,032	985
Unrestricted	<u>6,786</u>	<u>1,814</u>	<u>1,585</u>	<u>789</u>	<u>8,371</u>	<u>2,603</u>
Total Net Assets	<u>\$ 111,853</u>	<u>\$ 101,924</u>	<u>\$ 49,035</u>	<u>\$ 47,892</u>	<u>\$ 160,888</u>	<u>\$ 149,816</u>

By far the largest portion of the Town's net assets reflects its investment in capital assets (e.g., land, buildings, machinery and equipment, and infrastructure), less any related debt used to acquire those assets that is still outstanding. The Town uses these capital assets to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Although the Town's investment in its capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

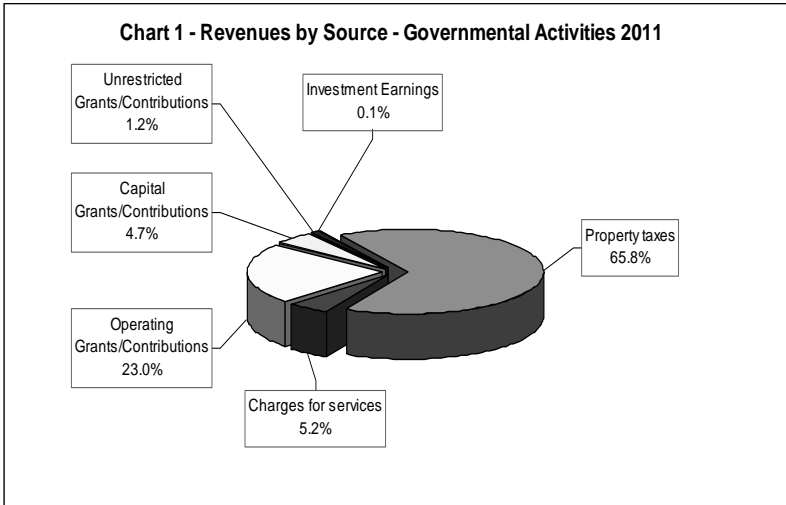
TABLE 2
CHANGES IN NET ASSETS
In Thousands

	Governmental Activities		Business-Type Activities		Totals	
	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010
Revenues:						
Program revenues:						
Charges for services	\$ 7,718	\$ 8,056	\$ 4,297	\$ 3,727	\$ 12,015	\$ 11,783
Operating grants and contributions	33,906	33,301			33,906	33,301
Capital grants and contributions	6,920	8,329			6,920	8,329
General revenues:						
Property taxes	97,004	92,919			97,004	92,919
Grants and contributions not restricted to specific purposes	1,755	2,201			1,755	2,201
Unrestricted investment earnings	219	278			219	278
Total revenues	<u>147,522</u>	<u>145,084</u>	<u>4,297</u>	<u>3,727</u>	<u>151,819</u>	<u>148,811</u>
Program expenses:						
General government	4,176	4,464			4,176	4,464
Public safety	18,711	17,749			18,711	17,749
Public works	9,402	9,712			9,402	9,712
Health and welfare	1,047	940			1,047	940
Human services	1,671	1,477			1,671	1,477
Parks and recreation	1,903	1,994			1,903	1,994
Public library	1,844	1,830			1,844	1,830
Planning and development	1,245	1,131			1,245	1,131
Education	94,128	92,209			94,128	92,209
Interest on long-term debt	1,621	2,060			1,621	2,060
Sewer			4,999	4,849	4,999	4,849
Total program expenses	<u>135,748</u>	<u>133,566</u>	<u>4,999</u>	<u>4,849</u>	<u>140,747</u>	<u>138,415</u>
Excess (deficiency) before transfers	11,774	11,518	(702)	(1,122)	11,072	10,396
Transfers	<u>(1,845)</u>	<u>(3,869)</u>	<u>1,845</u>	<u>3,869</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Increase in Net Assets	<u>\$ 9,929</u>	<u>\$ 7,649</u>	<u>\$ 1,143</u>	<u>\$ 2,747</u>	<u>\$ 11,072</u>	<u>\$ 10,396</u>

The Town's net assets increased by \$11.1 million during the fiscal year, with net assets of governmental activities increasing \$9.9 million and business-type activities increasing by \$1.1 million. The total cost of all programs and services was \$140.7 million. Our analysis below separately considers the operations of governmental and business-type activities.

Governmental Activities

Approximately 65.8% of the revenues were derived from property taxes, followed by 23.0% from operating grants and contributions, 5.2% from charges for services, 4.7% from capital grants and contributions, 1.2% from unrestricted grants and contributions and 0.1% from investment earnings.



Major revenue factors include:

- Property tax revenue increased by \$4.1 million or 4.4% over last year. The increase is attributable to a 1.3% increase in the grand list (\$51.1 million), an increase in the mill rate from 23.27 to 24.02 or 3.2%, and an increase in prior years' tax collections and interest on taxes.
- Capital Grants and Contributions decreased by \$1.4 million from \$8.3 million in fiscal year 2010 to \$6.9 million in fiscal year 2011. This decrease is due to the reduction in grants received from the State for the Plantsville Elementary School Renovation and the New South End Elementary School.

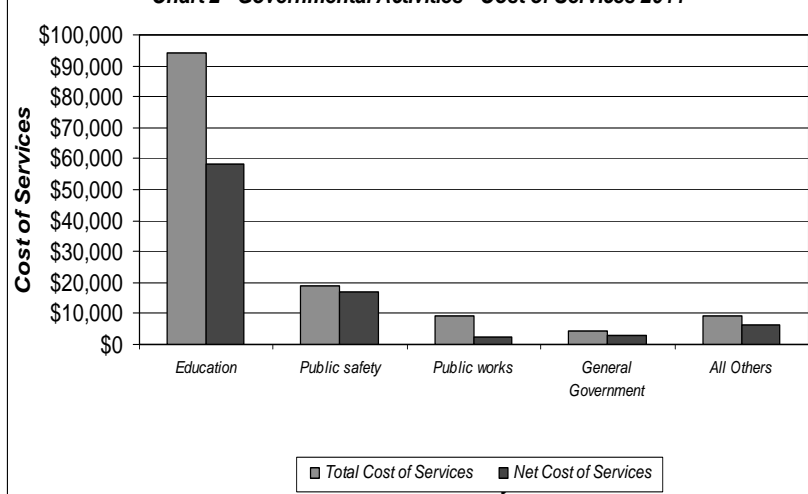
For governmental activities, 69.3% of the Town's expenses related to education. Public safety accounted for 13.8%, public works accounted for 6.9% and general government accounted for 3.1% of expenses. The remaining 6.9% related to health and welfare, human services, parks and recreation, public library, planning and development and interest on long-term debt.

Overall, total program expenses increased \$2.2 million or 1.6% over last year. Education expenses increased 2.1%, Town operating expenses increased 1.8% and interest on long-term debt decreased 21.3%.

Major expense factors include:

- The cost of education services increased \$1.9 million over fiscal year 2010 due to higher operating, health care and special education costs.
- Town operating costs increased \$702 thousand due to increased pension contributions to MERS, 1.5% to 2% increases in wages and various other costs.
- Interest on long-term debt decreased by \$439 thousand due to the pay down of current debt and the bond refunding of January 2010.

Chart 2 - Governmental Activities - Cost of Services 2011



Business-Type Activities

Business-type activities (see Table 2) increased the Town's net assets by \$1.1 million primarily due to the 15% increase in the sewer fees. The increased revenue is necessary to pay for the State mandated nitrogen credit purchases, the higher maintenance costs for the new Denitrification Facility, and the aggressive efforts to televise, clean and maintain the sewer system.

Financial Analysis of the Town's Funds

As noted earlier, the Town uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance related legal requirements.

Governmental Funds

The focus of the Town's governmental funds is to provide information on the near-term inflows, outflows and balances of expendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing the Town's financing requirements.

As of June 30, 2011, the Town's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$19.5 million, an increase of \$24.1 million from last year's deficit fund balance of \$4.6 million. This increase is mostly due to the permanent financing of last year's \$21.1 million deficit in the Capital Projects Fund, which represented projects with bond ordinances yet to be financed. In March of 2011, the Town issued \$15.4 million in general obligation bonds (GOB) for the two elementary school projects, two major sewer projects, two Water Company projects (\$3.4 million) and other smaller projects. Additionally, in June 2011, the Town permanently financed the \$11.1 million Clean Water Fund loan used to fund the new Denitrification Facility.

General Fund

The General Fund is the primary operating fund of the Town. As of June 30, 2011, unassigned fund balance increased by \$805 thousand to \$13.5 million in the General Fund, while total fund balance increased \$1.8 million to \$15.1 million.

Key factors that contributed to the financial outcome are as follows:

- Property tax revenues exceeded budget estimates by approximately \$563 thousand. The surplus is due to the collection rate and the successful efforts of the Town to collect on delinquent taxes. The increase in the property tax revenue has allowed the Town to withstand local revenue losses in intergovernmental revenues, interest income and charges for services.
- Intergovernmental revenues came in under budget by \$254 thousand, mostly due to the reduction in the Manufacturing, Machinery and Equipment Grant.
- Despite the anticipated decline in the investment income during the FY 2011 budget process, the further decline in the interest rates made it impossible to achieve the budget estimates. The investment income category came in \$165 thousand under budget. This environment is expected to continue for an extended period of time.
- The Town Council had adopted a cost containment policy for fiscal year 2011, which prompted department heads to reduce costs and delay non-urgent expenditures. Savings due to cost avoidance were aggregated and utilized to transfer to pre-fund \$616 thousand of fiscal year 2012 projects.
- Several departments had aggregate cost savings creating the \$1.7 million expenditure under budget. Of this amount, \$972 thousand was assigned to fiscal year 2012 for continued appropriations.
- The Town returned \$64 thousand in the budgeted Contingency account.

Proprietary Funds

The Town's proprietary fund provides the same type of information found in the government-wide financial statements, but in more detail.

Net assets of the Sewer Fund at year-end totaled \$49.0 million. Unrestricted net assets were \$1.6 million, an increase of \$1.1 million. The Sewer Fund experienced an operating loss of \$702 thousand, and \$1.8 million of capital assets were contributed from the Capital Fund.

Net assets of the Health Insurance Fund were \$3.7 million. The Internal Service Fund's unrestricted net assets increased by \$2.7 million, from \$951 thousand. The Town's medical claims have taken an unexpected down turn in the last 16 months, resulting in this surplus. The Town is in the process of implementing a Self-Insurance Reserve Policy.

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

The Town's adopted General Fund budget for 2010 - 2011 was \$123.1 million (\$122.2 million for expenditures plus \$850 thousand for contingency appropriations). In addition to the \$786 thousand which was appropriated from the Contingency Fund, the Town appropriated \$555 million to the expenditure budget with corresponding revenue budget increases, and \$89 thousand was appropriated per fiscal year 2010 designation, for a total amended budget of \$123.7 million. The following lists the key changes to the budget during the year:

- \$89 thousand was appropriated for the amount of Fund Balance Designated for Continued Appropriations at the end of fiscal year 2010.
- \$221 thousand was appropriated to the Board of Education Operations for preschool and special education outside tuitions, and rent revenues received.
- \$129 thousand was appropriated with a revenue match, to the Board of Education Building/Facilities Maintenance account to fund the Derynoski School boiler, 49 Beecher Street site assessment and smart boards for Southington High School.
- \$300 thousand was appropriated to Snow and Ice for Overtime and Contracted Services due to the harsh winter season. This winter the crews were out 68 days plowing, sanding, clearing catch basins and related work. This represents a 26% increase from last year's 54 days.
- \$599 thousand was appropriated or transferred for the following Capital Projects: \$293 thousand for the Pondview Pump Station legal costs; \$180 thousand for Phase I of a New IT Network; \$56 thousand for the Drive-in Park Development; \$40 thousand to the Middle School Feasibility Study; and \$30 thousand for various other projects.

- \$300 thousand was transferred to the Environmental Problems Budget to partially cash fund the final NRD payment and a cash call due next year for the Old Southington Landfill.
- \$136 thousand was transferred to pre-fund six capital and major maintenance projects originally submitted in the Fiscal Year 2012 Operating Budget.

Capital Assets and Debt Administration

Capital Assets. The Town's investment in capital assets for its governmental and business-type activities as of June 30, 2011 totaled to \$225.3 million, net of accumulated depreciation. This investment in capital assets includes land, buildings, vehicles and equipment, roads and sewer lines. This amount represents a net increase (including additions and deductions) of \$2.8 million a 1.3% increase over last year.

TABLE 3
CAPITAL ASSETS AT YEAR-END (Net of Depreciation)
In Millions

	Governmental Activities		Business-Type Activities		Totals	
	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010
Land	\$ 19.5	\$ 19.3	\$	\$	\$ 19.5	\$ 19.3
Buildings and systems	69.2	71.9	47.4	46.7	116.6	118.6
Equipment	5.4	6.0		0.3	5.4	6.3
Infrastructure	47.1	45.5			47.1	45.5
Construction in progress	36.7	32.8			36.7	32.8
Totals	<u>\$ 177.9</u>	<u>\$ 175.5</u>	<u>\$ 47.4</u>	<u>\$ 47.0</u>	<u>\$ 225.3</u>	<u>\$ 222.5</u>

Major capital asset events during the current fiscal year included the following:

Governmental Activities:

- Construction in progress for the New South End Elementary of \$1.6 million.
- Construction in progress for Plantsville Elementary Renovation of \$404 thousand.
- Construction in progress for Rails to Trails Phase II of \$854 thousand.
- Construction in progress for South End Road Reclamation of \$254 thousand.
- Construction in progress for Mount Vernon Road Reclamation of \$347 thousand.

Business-Type Activities:

- Construction of Denitrification Facility for \$677 thousand.
- Construction of Marion Highlands Interceptor for \$289 thousand.
- Construction of Roseanna, Lagana, Hickory Hill Sewers for \$467 thousand.

The Town's fiscal year 2011-2012 Capital Budget includes another \$1.8 million for capital projects principally for road resurfacing and maintenance, upgrading the Town Hall infrastructure and network connectivity, and various other smaller projects.

Additional information on the Town's capital assets can be found in Note 5 of this report.

Long-Term Debt. At the end of the current fiscal year, the Town had total bonded debt outstanding of \$66.0 million. All this debt is backed by the full faith and credit of the Town government.

TABLE 4
OUTSTANDING DEBT, AT YEAR-END
In Thousands

	Governmental Activities		Business-Type Activities		Totals	
	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010
General obligation bonds:						
Town	\$ 61,665	\$ 55,166	\$	\$	\$ 61,665	\$ 55,166
Southington Water Company	4,360	1,419			4,360	1,419
Clean Water Fund Notes Payable	11,068				11,068	-
Total	<u>\$ 77,093</u>	<u>\$ 56,585</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 77,093</u>	<u>\$ 56,585</u>

The Town of Southington's bonded debt increased by \$9.4 million or 16.7% during the 2010-2011 fiscal year.

In March 2011, the Town issued \$15.4 million of new General Obligation Bonds at a phenomenal 3.17% TIC (True Interest Cost), paying off \$10 million in Bond Anticipation Notes. The general obligation bonds were used to finance public improvements including Sewers, School Improvements, Town Infrastructure and Water Department Infrastructure (\$3.4 million of which is paid by the Water Company). Additionally, the Town issued \$8.7 million General Obligation Refunding Bonds in June 2011 and realized \$483 thousand in aggregate budgetary savings over the 13 years.

In May 2009, Standard & Poor's Rating Services raised its underlying rating on the Town's general obligation debt two notches from "AA-" to "AA+" due to the Town's improved financial position, good management practices and low debt burden.

In June 2011, Standard & Poor's assigned a AA+ long-term rating to the new debt issue and affirmed its AA+ rating on the Town's GO bonds outstanding. The rating agency cited the Town's "strong financial position," "low debt burden," and the "expectation of the consistently strong reserve levels" among the factors influencing the Town's rating.

As a result of the Moody's rating recalibration to a "Global Scale" in May of 2010, the Town's underlying rating has been officially changed to Aa2 from A1. (The recalibration is not a change in credit rating, but rather a change from a municipal scale to a global scale).

The overall statutory limit for the Town is equal to 7 times annual receipts from taxation, or \$678.7 million. As of June 30, 2011, the Town recorded long-term debt of \$77.5 million, well below the statutory debt limits.

Additional information on the Town's long-term debt can be found in Note 7 of this report.

Other obligations include vacation pay and sick leave. More detailed information about the Town's long-term liabilities is presented in Note 7 to the financial statements.

Economic Factors and Next Year's Budgets and Rates

The Town's unemployment rate at June 30, 2011 was 7.5%. Although the Town's unemployment has increased considerably in the last couple of years, it still compares favorably to the 9.1% for the State of Connecticut and the 9.2% nationally (the highest in 25 years). The increasing unemployment rates are a major concern in this recessionary environment. Unfortunately, leading economic indicators continue to indicate a slow economic rebound.

Elected and appointed officials considered these factors, among others, when setting the fiscal year 2011 - 2012 General Fund budget and tax rates.

As previously stated, the General Fund total fund balance increased from \$13.3 million at June 30, 2010 to \$15.1 million at June 30, 2011. Of this \$15.1 million General Fund balance, \$231 thousand was nonspendable due to form (inventories and prepaid accounts), and \$1.3 million was assigned (\$375 thousand to balance the 2011-2012 budget and \$972 thousand for continued appropriations), leaving an unassigned fund balance of \$13.5 million in the General Fund at June 30, 2011. The Town feels that this level is strong enough to withstand unexpected events which may have a negative budget impact and is within the average of comparable towns of our size in Connecticut. This increase in the "rainy day" fund is pivotal to maintaining the Town's enhanced bond rating, thereby reducing the cost of the Town's current and future debt service payments.

The Town adopted a General Fund budget of \$125.0 million for 2011-2012 compared to an adopted budget of \$123.1 million for 2010-2011, for an overall increase of \$1.8 million or 1.6%. Most of this increase was for the Town for the following: \$1.1 million for the first year's payment on the State of Connecticut Clean Water Loan (18 months of principal and 12 months of interest); \$521 thousand for Bond Principal and Interest due to the Bond Issue of January 2010; and \$355 thousand to the Payroll taxes and MERS budget due to the second dramatic increase in the Town's MERS required contributions as a result of the State's poor investment returns. Only \$176 thousand of this increase was for the Board of Education Operations. The remainder of the Board of Education's additional operational costs will be paid from the one-time Jobs Grant of \$1.2 million received from the State of Connecticut through the Federal and State Grants Special Revenue Fund.

If these estimates are realized, the Town's budgetary General Fund balance is expected to remain consistent with the June 30, 2011 level.

Costs of the Town's business-type activities, accounted for in the Sewer Operating Fund, are expected to decrease by approximately 3.3% during fiscal year 2011-2012. After four years of double digit rate increases to pay for the cumulative costs of the denitrification credits, the higher costs of the Denitrification Facility and the aggressive maintenance efforts of the Sewer System, the Sewer Fund is finally starting to stabilize. The Town will review the current systems in an effort to gain better efficiencies in the Sewer's Operations.

Requests for Information

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Town's finances for all those with an interest in the government's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to Emilia C. Portelinha, Finance Director, Town of Southington, 75 Main Street, Southington, Connecticut 06489 or visit Southington's website at www.Southington.org.

Basic Financial Statements

TOWN OF SOUTHTON, CONNECTICUT

STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS

JUNE 30, 2011

(In Thousands)

	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total
Assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 23,979	\$ 476	\$ 24,455
Investments	721		721
Receivables, net	12,877	1,549	14,426
Inventory	116		116
Other assets	413	12	425
Capital assets:			
Assets not being depreciated	56,163	39	56,202
Assets being depreciated, net	121,756	47,411	169,167
Total assets	<u>216,025</u>	<u>49,487</u>	<u>265,512</u>
Liabilities:			
Accounts and other payables	5,578	275	5,853
Other current liabilities		177	177
Unearned revenue	335		335
Noncurrent liabilities:			
Due within one year	9,221		9,221
Due in more than one year	89,038		89,038
Total liabilities	<u>104,172</u>	<u>452</u>	<u>104,624</u>
Net Assets:			
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	104,035	47,450	151,485
Restricted for:			
Trust purposes:			
Expendable	106		106
Nonexpendable	926		926
Unrestricted	6,786	1,585	8,371
Total Net Assets	<u>\$ 111,853</u>	<u>\$ 49,035</u>	<u>\$ 160,888</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements

TOWN OF SOUTHTON, CONNECTICUT

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011
(In Thousands)

Functions/Programs	Expenses	Program Revenues			Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Assets		
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total
Governmental activities:							
General government	\$ 4,176	\$ 1,085	\$ 12	\$	\$ (3,079)	\$	\$ (3,079)
Public safety	18,711	1,250	280		(17,181)		(17,181)
Public works	9,402	2,442	485	4,041	(2,434)		(2,434)
Health and welfare	1,047	43	285		(719)		(719)
Human services	1,671	17	545		(1,109)		(1,109)
Parks and recreation	1,903	221	189	854	(639)		(639)
Public library	1,844	39	23		(1,782)		(1,782)
Planning and development	1,245	648			(597)		(597)
Education	94,128	1,973	32,087	2,007	(58,061)		(58,061)
Interest on long-term debt	1,621			18	(1,603)		(1,603)
Total governmental activities	<u>135,748</u>	<u>7,718</u>	<u>33,906</u>	<u>6,920</u>	<u>(87,204)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(87,204)</u>
Business-type activities:							
Sewer	4,999	4,297				(702)	(702)
Total	<u>\$ 140,747</u>	<u>\$ 12,015</u>	<u>\$ 33,906</u>	<u>\$ 6,920</u>	<u>(87,204)</u>	<u>(702)</u>	<u>(87,906)</u>
General revenues:							
Property taxes					97,004		97,004
Grants and contributions not restricted to specific programs					1,755		1,755
Unrestricted investment earnings					219		219
Transfers					(1,845)	1,845	-
Total general revenues and transfers					<u>97,133</u>	<u>1,845</u>	<u>98,978</u>
Change in net assets					9,929	1,143	11,072
Net Assets at Beginning of Year					101,924	47,892	149,816
Net Assets at End of Year					<u>\$ 111,853</u>	<u>\$ 49,035</u>	<u>\$ 160,888</u>

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TOWN OF SOUTHTON, CONNECTICUT

BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

JUNE 30, 2011

(In Thousands)

	General	Capital Projects	Sewer Assessments	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 16,748	\$	\$ 935	\$ 1,522	\$ 19,205
Investments				721	721
Receivables, net	3,036	2,175	816	577	6,604
Due from other funds	216			111	327
Inventories	54			62	116
Prepaid expenses	177				177
Total Assets	<u>\$ 20,231</u>	<u>\$ 2,175</u>	<u>\$ 1,751</u>	<u>\$ 2,993</u>	<u>\$ 27,150</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES					
Liabilities:					
Accounts and other payables	\$ 2,963	\$ 593	\$ 13	\$ 488	\$ 4,057
Due to other funds	111	172		44	327
Deferred revenue	2,093		815	335	3,243
Total liabilities	<u>5,167</u>	<u>765</u>	<u>828</u>	<u>867</u>	<u>7,627</u>
Fund balances:					
Nonspendable	231			988	1,219
Restricted		1,410		152	1,562
Committed			923	986	1,909
Assigned	1,347				1,347
Unassigned	13,486				13,486
Total fund balances	<u>15,064</u>	<u>1,410</u>	<u>923</u>	<u>2,126</u>	<u>19,523</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	<u>\$ 20,231</u>	<u>\$ 2,175</u>	<u>\$ 1,751</u>	<u>\$ 2,993</u>	<u>\$ 27,150</u>

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TOWN OF SOUTHTON, CONNECTICUT

BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS (CONTINUED)

JUNE 30, 2011

(In Thousands)

Reconciliation of the Balance Sheet - Governmental Funds to the Statement of Net Assets:

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net assets (Exhibit I) are different because of the following:

Fund balances - total governmental funds	\$	19,523
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Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds:

Governmental capital assets	\$	269,774	
Less accumulated depreciation		<u>(91,855)</u>	
Net capital assets			177,919

Other long-term assets are not available to pay for current-period expenditures and, therefore, are not recorded in the funds:

Property tax receivables greater than 60 days	2,093
Interest receivable on property taxes	962
Assessments receivable greater than 60 days	815
Interest receivable on assessments	195
Deferred amount in refunding	1,029
Bond issuance costs	236
Long term receivable	4,360
Receivable from the state for school construction projects	757

Internal service funds are used by management to charge the costs of risk management to individual funds. The assets and liabilities of the internal service funds are reported with governmental activities in the statement of net assets.

3,687

Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the funds:

Bonds and notes payable	(77,093)
Premium on issuance	(1,566)
Interest payable on bonds and notes	(435)
Compensated absences	(7,840)
Capital lease	(614)
OPEB liability	(4,580)
Heart and Hypertension	(7,219)
Landfill closure	<u>(376)</u>

Net Assets of Governmental Activities (Exhibit I)	\$	<u>111,853</u>
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TOWN OF SOUTHTON, CONNECTICUT

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

(In Thousands)

	General	Capital Projects	Sewer Assessments	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Revenues:					
Property taxes	\$ 97,026	\$	\$	\$	\$ 97,026
Intergovernmental	29,520	3,796		5,961	39,277
Charges for services	2,757		57	4,778	7,592
Income on investments	131		13	74	218
Other revenues	129	158		217	504
Total revenues	<u>129,563</u>	<u>3,954</u>	<u>70</u>	<u>11,030</u>	<u>144,617</u>
Expenditures:					
Current:					
General government	3,214			51	3,265
Public safety	11,460			1,227	12,687
Public works	4,816			2,372	7,188
Health and welfare	863			17	880
Human services	811			576	1,387
Parks and recreation	1,397			26	1,423
Public library	1,417			55	1,472
Planning and development	877				877
Miscellaneous	29				29
Employee fringe benefits	8,115				8,115
Education	86,524			6,639	93,163
Debt and sundry	6,591		410	-	7,001
Capital outlay		7,041			7,041
Total expenditures	<u>126,114</u>	<u>7,041</u>	<u>410</u>	<u>10,963</u>	<u>144,528</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over Expenditures	<u>3,449</u>	<u>(3,087)</u>	<u>(340)</u>	<u>67</u>	<u>89</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses):					
Issuance of general obligation bonds		11,945			11,945
Refunding bonds issued	8,745				8,745
Premium on refunding bonds	887				887
Payment to refunded bond escrow agent	(9,515)				(9,515)
Premium on general obligation bonds	329				329
Issuance of notes payable		11,068			11,068
Issuance of capital leases	614				614
Transfers in	100	2,602		193	2,895
Transfers out	(2,795)			(100)	(2,895)
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>(1,635)</u>	<u>25,615</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>93</u>	<u>24,073</u>
Net Change in Fund Balances	1,814	22,528	(340)	160	24,162
Fund Balances at Beginning of Year	<u>13,250</u>	<u>(21,118)</u>	<u>1,263</u>	<u>1,966</u>	<u>(4,639)</u>
Fund Balances at End of Year	<u>\$ 15,064</u>	<u>\$ 1,410</u>	<u>\$ 923</u>	<u>\$ 2,126</u>	<u>\$ 19,523</u>

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TOWN OF SOUTHTON, CONNECTICUT

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN
FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

(In Thousands)

Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund
Balances of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities:

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities (Exhibit II) are different because:

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds (Exhibit IV)	\$ 24,162
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Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. In the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense:

Capital outlay	4,823
Depreciation expense	(5,056)
Donated assets	2,794

The statement of activities reports losses arising from the trade-in of existing capital assets to acquire new capital assets. Conversely governmental funds do not report any gain or loss on a trade-in of capital assets.	(44)
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Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds, and revenues recognized in the funds are not reported in the statement of activities:

School building grant receipts	(338)
Long term receivable receipts	2,941
Property tax receivable - accrual basis change	(12)
Property tax interest and lien revenue - accrual basis change	(10)
Sewer assessment receivable-accrual basis change	(23)
Sewer assessment interest and lien revenue - accrual basis change	165

The issuance of long-term debt (e.g., bonds, leases) provides current financial resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of the principal of long-term debt consumes the current financial resources of governmental funds. Neither transaction has any effect on net assets. Also, governmental funds report the effect of issuance costs, premiums, discounts and similar items when debt is first issued, whereas these amounts are amortized and deferred in the statement of activities. The details of these differences in the treatment of long-term debt and related items are as follows:

Issuance of refunding bonds	(8,745)
Premium on refunding	(887)
Deferred amount in refunding	355
Issuance costs on refunding	117
Issuance of general obligation bonds	(15,355)
Issuance of notes payable	(11,068)
Bond principal payments	14,660
Capital leases	(614)
Accrued interest	241
Amortization of deferred charge on refunding	(63)
Amortization of issue costs	(11)
Amortization of bond premiums	64

Some expenses reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in the governmental funds.

Compensated absences	(40)
OPEB obligation	(931)
Heart and hypertension	(161)
Landfill post closure care and settlement	229

Internal service funds are used by management to charge costs to individual funds. The net revenue of certain activities of internal services funds is reported with governmental activities.	<u>2,736</u>
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Change in Net Assets of Governmental Activities (Exhibit II)	<u>\$ 9,929</u>
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TOWN OF SOUTHTON, CONNECTICUT

STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS - PROPRIETARY FUNDS

JUNE 30, 2011

(In Thousands)

	<u>Business-Type Activities Sewer Enterprise Fund</u>	<u>Governmental Activities Internal Service Fund</u>
Assets:		
Current:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 476	\$ 4,774
Accounts and other receivables	1,549	
Other assets	12	
Total current assets	<u>2,037</u>	<u>4,774</u>
Capital assets, net	<u>47,450</u>	
Total assets	<u>49,487</u>	<u>4,774</u>
Liabilities:		
Current:		
Accounts and other payables	275	1,087
Other accrued liabilities	177	
Total liabilities	<u>452</u>	<u>1,087</u>
Net Assets:		
Invested in capital assets	47,450	
Unrestricted	<u>1,585</u>	<u>3,687</u>
Total Net Assets	<u>\$ 49,035</u>	<u>\$ 3,687</u>

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TOWN OF SOUTHTON, CONNECTICUT

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES
IN FUND NET ASSETS - PROPRIETARY FUND

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

(In Thousands)

	<u>Business-Type Activities Sewer Enterprise Fund</u>	<u>Governmental Activities Internal Service Fund</u>
Operating Revenues:		
Fund premiums	\$	\$ 20,955
Charges for services	4,140	
Intergovernmental	31	
Fines, penalties and interest	126	
Total operating revenues	<u>4,297</u>	<u>20,955</u>
Operating Expenses:		
Plant	2,990	
Benefits	233	17,170
Depreciation	1,536	
Administration and other	240	1,050
Total operating expenses	<u>4,999</u>	<u>18,220</u>
Operating Income (Loss)	(702)	2,735
Nonoperating Revenue:		
Income on investments	<u> </u>	<u>1</u>
Income before Capital Contributions	(702)	2,736
Capital Contributions	<u>1,845</u>	<u> </u>
Change in Net Assets	1,143	2,736
Net Assets at Beginning of Year	<u>47,892</u>	<u>951</u>
Net Assets at End of Year	\$ <u>49,035</u>	\$ <u>3,687</u>

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TOWN OF SOUTHTON, CONNECTICUT

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS - PROPRIETARY FUND

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

(In Thousands)

	Business-Type Activities Sewer Enterprise Fund	Governmental Activities Internal Service Fund
Cash Flows from Operating Activities:		
Cash received from customers and granting agencies	\$ 3,817	\$
Cash received for premiums - Town departments and agencies		20,955
Cash payments to suppliers for goods and services	(2,583)	
Cash payments to employees for services	(928)	
Cash payments to providers of benefits	(233)	(17,387)
Cash payments for service fees		(1,050)
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>73</u>	<u>2,518</u>
Cash Flows from Capital Financing Activities:		
Acquisition of capital assets	<u>(38)</u>	
Cash Flows from Investing Activities:		
Income on investments		<u>1</u>
Net Increase in Cash and Cash Equivalents	35	2,519
Cash and Cash Equivalents at Beginning of Year	<u>441</u>	<u>2,255</u>
Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of Year	\$ <u><u>476</u></u>	\$ <u><u>4,774</u></u>
Reconciliation of Operating Income (Loss) to Net Cash		
Provided by Operating Activities:		
Operating income (loss)	\$ (702)	\$ 2,735
Depreciation	1,536	
Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to net cash		
provided by operating activities:		
(Increase) decrease in accounts receivable	(480)	
Decrease in inventory	4	
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable and accrued liabilities	<u>(285)</u>	<u>(217)</u>
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	\$ <u><u>73</u></u>	\$ <u><u>2,518</u></u>
Noncash Capital Financing Activities:		
Capital assets transferred from governmental funds	\$ <u><u>1,845</u></u>	\$ <u><u></u></u>

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TOWN OF SOUTHLINGTON, CONNECTICUT

STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS - FIDUCIARY FUNDS

JUNE 30, 2011

(In Thousands)

	<u>Agency Funds</u>
Assets:	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 3,288
Investments	<u>214</u>
Total assets	\$ <u><u>3,502</u></u>
Liabilities:	
Fiduciary deposits	<u>3,502</u>
Total liabilities	\$ <u><u>3,502</u></u>

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TOWN OF SOUTHTON, CONNECTICUT

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(In Thousands)

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of the Town of Southington, Connecticut (the Town) have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) as applied to government units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The more significant policies of the Town are described below.

A. Reporting Entity

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the reporting entity include the primary government and its component units, entities for which the government is considered to be financially accountable, all organizations for which the primary government is financially accountable and other organizations that by the nature and significance of their relationship with the primary government would cause the financial statements to be incomplete or misleading if excluded.

Related Organizations

The Town of Southington Water Company operates the only water system in the Town. The operations of the Water Company benefit primarily Town residents. The Southington Water Company is an agency that is independent from the Town in all administrative, operational and financial matters. The Board of Water Commissioners is elected by the voters of the Town independently from the Town Council and they do not report nor answer to the Town Council. The Southington Water Company may independently issue its own debt. In prior years, the Town included the Water Company in their general obligation debt only for the purposes of obtaining a lower interest rate for the Water Company. In 2001 legal counsel determined that the Southington Water Company is legally capable of issuing its own debt and it is the Town's option to include them in their debt issuance at their discretion.

The Southington Housing Authority, Inc., a body corporate and politic, provides services primarily to Town residents. Although the Town appoints the governing body, the Town does not have the ability to significantly influence the programs, projects, activities or level of services performed or provided by the Housing Authority. The Southington Housing Authority, Inc., is not fiscally dependent on the Town.

B. Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net assets and the statement of activities) report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the Town. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities, which normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business-type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. Program revenues include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use or directly benefit from goods, services or privileges provided by a given function or segment and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues.

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds, proprietary funds and fiduciary funds, even though the latter are excluded from the government-wide financial statements. Major individual governmental funds and major individual enterprise funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

C. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting, as are the proprietary funds financial statements. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the Town considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due.

Property taxes, charges for services, licenses and interest associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal period. Only the portion of special assessments receivable due within the current fiscal period is considered to be susceptible to accrual as revenue of the current period. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received.

The Town reports the following major governmental funds:

The General Fund is the Town's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the Town, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

The Capital Projects Fund accounts for the financial resources to be used for the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities.

The Sewer Assessments Fund accounts for the proceeds of sewer line assessments used to fund debt service costs related to sewerline extension projects within the Town. The major source of revenue is sewer assessments.

The Town reports the following as a major proprietary fund:

The Sewer Fund accounts for the activities of the government's sewer operations.

Additionally, the Town reports the following fund types:

The Internal Service Fund accounts for health benefits program for Town employees.

The agency funds include the student activities and the escrow deposits. They are custodial in nature and do not involve measurement of results of operation.

Private-sector standards of accounting and financial reporting issued prior to December 1, 1989 generally are followed in both the government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements to the extent that those standards do not conflict with or contradict guidance of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. Governments also have the option of following subsequent private-sector guidance for their business-type activities and enterprise funds, subject to this same limitation. The Town has elected not to follow subsequent private-sector guidance.

As a general rule, the effect of interfund activity has been eliminated from the government-wide financial statements. Exceptions to this general rule are payments in lieu of taxes and other charges between certain Town's functions because the elimination of these charges would distort the direct costs and program revenues reported for the various functions concerned.

Amounts reported as program revenues include 1) charges to customers or applicants for goods, services or privileges provided, 2) operating grants and contributions, and 3) capital grants and contributions, including special assessments. Internally dedicated resources are reported as general revenues rather than as program revenues. Likewise, general revenues include property taxes.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from nonoperating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of the Sewer Fund and of the Town's Internal Service Fund are charges to customers for sales and services. Operating expenses for the enterprise fund and the internal service fund include the cost of sales and services, administrative expenses, and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as nonoperating revenues and expenses.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the Town's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed. Unrestricted funds are used in the following order: committed, assigned then unassigned.

D. Deposits and Investments

The Town's cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition.

State statutes authorize the Town to invest in obligations of the U.S. Treasury, commercial paper, corporate bonds, repurchase agreements and certain other investments.

Investments for the Town are reported at fair value.

E. Receivables and Payables

Activity between funds that are representative of lending/borrowing arrangements outstanding at the end of the fiscal year are referred to as either "due to/from other funds" (i.e., the current portion of interfund loans) or "advances to/from other funds" (i.e., the noncurrent portion of interfund loans). All other outstanding balances between funds are reported as "due to/from other funds." Any residual balances outstanding between the governmental activities and business-type activities are reported in the government-wide financial statements as "internal balances." All trade and property tax receivables are shown net of an allowance for uncollectibles. The property taxes receivable allowance of \$156 is equal to 6.2% of outstanding property taxes at June 30, 2011.

The Town's property tax is levied each July 1 on the assessed value as of the prior October 1 for all real property, motor vehicles and commercial personal property located in the Town. Assessed values are established by the Town Assessment Board at 70% of estimated market value. A revaluation of all real property is required to be completed no less than every ten years. The Town performed a full revaluation of its property as of October 1, 2005 and is in the process of performing a statistical revaluation as of October 1, 2011. The assessed value for the Grand List of October 1, 2009, upon which the fiscal 2011 levy was based, was \$4.0 billion. A 24.02 mill rate was applied to the Grand List.

Taxes are due in two equal installments on the July 1 and January 1 following the levy date, although a 30-day grace period is provided. Current tax collections for the years ended June 30, 2011 and 2010 were 98.7% and 98.55%, respectively, of the adjusted tax levy. Uncollected property taxes are recorded as receivables, net of an allowance for estimated uncollectible accounts. Unpaid taxes are liened on or before June 30 following the due date. The revenue relating to property taxes not collected during the fiscal year and within 60 days after the close of the fiscal year is deferred.

F. Inventories and Prepaid Items

All inventories are valued at cost using the first-in/first-out (FIFO) method. Inventories of governmental funds are recorded as expenditures when consumed rather than when purchased.

Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid items in both government-wide and fund financial statements.

G. Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include property, plant, equipment and infrastructure assets (e.g., roads, bridges, sidewalks and similar items), are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities columns in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the government as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$10,000 (amount not rounded) and an estimated useful life in excess of 5 years. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation.

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets lives are not capitalized.

Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed.

Property, plant and equipment of the primary government is depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

<u>Assets</u>	<u>Years</u>
Buildings	50
Building improvements	25
Public domain infrastructure	35-70
System infrastructure	15
Vehicles	7
Office equipment	7
Computer equipment	7

H. Compensated Absences

A limited amount of vacation earned may be accumulated by certain employees until termination of their employment, at which time they are paid for accumulated vacation. Sick leave may be accumulated by Fire Department and AFSCME employees in accordance with union contracts until retirement, termination or death, at which time they are paid for a percentage of their accumulated sick leave.

The Town's accounting and financial reporting policy for compensated absences is based on GASB Statement 16. Compensated absences are accrued at current salary rates and paid by the General Fund.

I. Long-Term Obligations

In the government-wide financial statements, and proprietary fund types in the fund financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities, business-type activities or proprietary fund type statement of net assets. Bond premiums and discounts, as well as issuance costs, are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds using the effective interest method. Bonds payable are reported net of any significant applicable bond premium or discount. Significant bond issuance costs are reported as deferred charges and amortized over the term of the related debt.

In the fund financial statements, governmental fund types recognize bond premiums and discounts, as well as bond issuance costs, during the current period. The face amount of debt issued is reported as other financing sources. Premiums received on debt issuances are reported as other financing sources while discounts on debt issuances are reported as other financing uses. Issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the actual debt proceeds received, are reported as debt service expenditures.

J. Fund Equity and Net Assets

In the government-wide financial statements and in proprietary fund types, net assets are classified in the following categories:

Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt and Accumulated Depreciation - This category groups all capital assets, including infrastructure, into one component of net assets. Accumulated depreciation and the outstanding balances of debt that are attributable to the acquisition, construction or improvement of these assets reduces this category.

Restricted Net Assets - This category represents the net assets of the Town which are restricted by externally imposed constraints placed on the net assets by grantors, contributors or laws and regulations of other governments.

Unrestricted Net Assets - This category represents the net assets of the Town which are not restricted for any project or other purpose.

In the fund financial statements, fund balances of governmental funds are classified in five separate categories. The five categories, and their general meanings, are as follows:

Nonspendable Fund Balance - This represents amounts that cannot be spent due to form (e.g., inventories and prepaid amounts).

Restricted Fund Balance - This represents amounts constrained for a specific purpose by external parties, such as grantors, creditors, contributors, or laws and regulations of their governments.

Committed Fund Balance - This represents amounts constrained for a specific purpose by a government using its highest level of decision-making authority (Town Council).

Assigned Fund Balance - For all governmental funds other than the General Fund, this represents any remaining positive amounts not classified as restricted or committed. For the General Fund, this includes amounts constrained for the intent to be used for a specific purpose by a governing board or a body or official that has been delegated authority to assign amounts by the Town Charter.

Unassigned Fund Balance - This represents fund balance in the General Fund in excess of nonspendable, restricted, committed and assigned fund balance. If another governmental fund has a fund balance deficit, it is reported as a negative amount in unassigned fund balance.

The Town has adopted a written fund balance policy which states that the Town shall strive to maintain during the year and specifically at fiscal year end a level of general fund undesignated fund balance, also known as accumulated surplus or the rainy day fund at 9% of actual year end general fund revenues. The 9% shall be known as the Town's "target floor."

The Town is currently in the process of revising this policy to conform to the language contained in the Governmental Accounting Standards Board No. 54, *Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions*.

2. STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY

A. Budgetary Information

Chapter VII of the Town Charter governs the financial provisions of the Town. The Town Manager presents the budget to the Board of Finance. After required hearings, the Board of Finance recommends its budget to the Town Council. At the annual budget meeting held in May, the Council may adopt the recommended budget or may reduce or increase the proposed estimated expenditures, by the required number of votes. After completing such action, the Council shall adopt the budget by resolution and notify the Board of Finance, the Board of Education and the Town Manager.

The Board of Finance shall, upon adoption of the budget by the Town Council, fix a rate of taxation on the last Grand List, sufficient to produce the required revenue to preserve a balanced relation between estimated receipts and expenditures, net of provision for other estimated revenue and cash surplus or deficit.

Additional Appropriations and Transfers:

The control level on which expenditures may not legally exceed appropriations is the object level. Each department must seek approval from the Board of Finance and/or the Town Council for any appropriations or transfers. The Town Council, on the recommendation of the Board of Finance, may appropriate at any time, subject to the other provisions of Chapter VII, any unappropriated and unencumbered cash balance in the Town treasury. The Board of Finance may at any time transfer any unencumbered appropriation balance, or portion thereof, between general classifications of expenditures within an office, department or agency, not to exceed \$500 (amount not rounded). Transfers in excess of \$500 (amount not rounded) within departments, and all transfers between departments must be approved by the Town Council. During the last three months of the fiscal year, the Council may, upon the recommendation of the Board of Finance, by resolution transfer any unencumbered appropriation balance, or portion thereof, from one office, department or agency to another to meet a pressing need for public expenditure. No money shall be expended, or obligation for such expenditure incurred, by any department, office, board, commission or agency of the Town, except in accordance with an appropriation by the Council.

The budget is prepared on a modified accrual basis of accounting except for the accrual of payroll. All appropriations lapse at the end of the budget year to the extent that they have not been expended or lawfully encumbered. Encumbrances outstanding at the end of the year are reappropriated as continued appropriations. Encumbrances are established by adoption of the Town Council (continuing appropriations). Authorized continuing appropriations are presented as reservations of fund balances since the commitments will be honored in subsequent years. Encumbrances do not constitute expenditures or liabilities for accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America or budgetary purposes. Only the General Fund has a legally adopted annual budget.

Budgeted amounts are as originally adopted or as amended by the Town Council. During the year, \$1,430 of supplemental budgetary appropriations from the General Fund were made, of which \$786 was from Contingency, \$555 from revised revenue estimates, and \$89 from continued appropriations from the prior year. Also, at year end \$963 of appropriations were reappropriated.

3. CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS

The deposit of public funds is controlled by the Connecticut General Statutes (Section 7-402). Deposits may be made in a “qualified public depository” as defined by Statute, or, in amounts not exceeding the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation insurance limit in an “out of state bank,” as defined by the Statutes, which is not a “qualified public depository.”

The Connecticut General Statutes (Section 7-400) permit municipalities to invest in: 1) obligations of the United States and its agencies; 2) highly rated obligations of any state of the United States or of any political subdivision, authority or agency thereof; and 3) shares or other interests in custodial arrangements or pools maintaining constant net asset values and in highly rated no-load open end money market and mutual funds (with constant or fluctuating net asset values) whose portfolios are limited to obligations of the United States and its agencies, and repurchase agreements fully collateralized by such obligations. Other provisions of the Statutes cover specific municipal funds with particular investment authority. The provisions of the Statutes regarding the investment of municipal pension funds do not specify permitted investments. Therefore, investment of such funds is generally controlled by the laws applicable to fiduciaries and the provisions of the applicable plan.

The Statutes (Sections 3-24f and 3-27f) also provide for investment in shares of the State Short-Term Investment Fund (STIF) and the State Tax Exempt Proceeds Fund (TEPF). These investment pools are under the control of the State Treasurer, with oversight provided by the Treasurer’s Cash Management Advisory Board and are regulated under the State Statutes and subject to annual audit by the Auditors of Public Accounts. Investment yields are accounted for on an amortized-cost basis with an investment portfolio that is designed to attain a market-average rate of return throughout budgetary and economic cycles. Investors accrue interest daily based on actual earnings, less expenses and transfers to the designated surplus reserve, and the fair value of the position in the pool is the same as the value of the pool shares.

Deposits

Deposit Custodial Credit Risk - Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of a bank failure, the Town’s deposit will not be returned. The Town does not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk. The deposit of public funds is controlled by the Connecticut General Statutes. Deposits may be placed with any qualified public depository that has its main place of business in the State of Connecticut. Connecticut General Statutes require that each depository maintain segregated collateral (not required to be based on a security agreement between the depository and the municipality and, therefore, not perfected in accordance with federal law) in an amount equal to a defined percentage of its public deposits based upon the depository’s risk based capital ratio.

Based on the criteria described in GASB Statement No. 40, *Deposits and Investment Risk Disclosures*, \$27,979 of the Town’s bank balance of \$29,894 was exposed to custodial credit risk as follows:

Uninsured and uncollateralized	\$ 25,050
Uninsured and collateral held by the pledging bank’s trust department, not in the Town’s name	<u>2,929</u>
Total Amount Subject to Custodial Credit Risk	<u>\$ 27,979</u>

Cash Equivalents

At June 30, 2011, the Town's cash equivalents amounted to \$1,191. The following table provides a summary of the Town's cash equivalents (excluding U.S. government guaranteed obligations) as rated by nationally recognized statistical rating organizations. The pools all have maturities of less than one year.

	<u>Standard & Poor's</u>
Wells Fargo*	
Citizens Securites*	
Cutwater - Cooperative Liquid Assets	
Securities System (CLASS)	AAAm

*Not rated

Investments

As of June 30, 2011, the Town had the following investments:

Investment Type	Credit Rating	Fair Value	Investment Maturities (Years)		
			Less Than 1	1 - 10	More Than 10
Interest-bearing investments:					
Certificates of deposit	*	\$ 541	\$ 541	\$ -	\$ -
Other investments:					
Common stock		32			
Mutual funds		362			
Total Investments		\$ 935			

*Subject to coverage by Federal Depository Insurance and collateralization.

N/A Not applicable

Interest Rate Risk - The Town does not have a formal investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates.

Credit Risk - Investments - As indicated above, State Statutes limit the investment options of cities and towns. The Town has no investment policy that would further limit its investment choices.

Concentration of Credit Risk - The Town's investment policy does not allow for an investment in any one issuer that is in excess of 5% of the Town's total investments.

Custodial Credit Risk - Custodial credit risk for an investment is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty (the institution that pledges collateral or repurchase agreement securities to the Town or that sells investments to or buys them for the Town), the Town will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The Town does not have a policy for custodial credit risk. At June 30, 2011, the Town did not have any uninsured and unregistered securities held by the counterparty, or by its trust department or agent that were not in the Town's name.

4. RECEIVABLES

Receivables as of year end for the Town's individual major funds and nonmajor, internal service and fiduciary funds in the aggregate, including the applicable allowances for uncollectible accounts, are as follows:

	<u>General</u>	<u>Capital Projects</u>	<u>Sewer Assessment</u>	<u>Sewer Enterprise</u>	<u>Nonmajor and Other Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>
Receivables:						
Taxes *	\$ 2,516	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$ 2,516
Accounts	170		2	1,518	438	2,128
Special assessments			814			814
Intergovernmental	506	2,175		31	139	2,851
Interest **						-
Gross receivables	<u>3,192</u>	<u>2,175</u>	<u>816</u>	<u>1,549</u>	<u>577</u>	<u>8,309</u>
Less allowance for uncollectibles	<u>156</u>					<u>156</u>
Net Total Receivables	<u>\$ 3,036</u>	<u>\$ 2,175</u>	<u>\$ 816</u>	<u>\$ 1,549</u>	<u>\$ 577</u>	<u>\$ 8,153</u>

* Does not include amount due from Southington Water Company for bonds (\$4,360) and accrued interest (\$29) - Note 7.

** Does not include accrued interest on property taxes and assessments receivable of \$962 and \$195, respectively.

Governmental funds report deferred revenue in connection with receivables for revenues that are not considered to be available to liquidate liabilities of the current period. Governmental funds also defer revenue recognition in connection with resources that have been received, but not yet earned. At the end of the current fiscal year, the various components of deferred revenue and unearned revenue reported in the governmental funds were as follows:

	<u>Unavailable</u>	<u>Unearned</u>	<u>Total</u>
Delinquent property taxes receivable	\$ 2,093	\$	\$ 2,093
Special assessments	815		815
Other		335	335
Total Deferred/Unearned Revenue for Governmental Funds	<u>\$ 2,908</u>	<u>\$ 335</u>	<u>\$ 3,243</u>

5. CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity for the year ended June 30, 2011 was as follows:

	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Increases</u>	<u>Decreases</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>
Governmental activities:				
Capital assets not being depreciated:				
Land	\$ 19,325	\$ 150	\$	\$ 19,475
Construction in progress	<u>32,750</u>	<u>3,938</u>		<u>36,688</u>
Total capital assets not being depreciated	<u>52,075</u>	<u>4,088</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>56,163</u>
Capital assets being depreciated:				
Buildings	117,162	54		117,216
Machinery and equipment	17,612	674	(86)	18,200
Infrastructure	<u>75,394</u>	<u>2,801</u>		<u>78,195</u>
Total capital assets being depreciated	<u>210,168</u>	<u>3,529</u>	<u>(86)</u>	<u>213,611</u>
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Buildings	(45,300)	(2,672)		(47,972)
Machinery and equipment	(11,658)	(1,176)	42	(12,792)
Infrastructure	<u>(29,883)</u>	<u>(1,208)</u>		<u>(31,091)</u>
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>(86,841)</u>	<u>(5,056)</u>	<u>42</u>	<u>(91,855)</u>
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	<u>123,327</u>	<u>(1,527)</u>	<u>(44)</u>	<u>121,756</u>
Governmental Activities Capital Assets, Net	<u>\$ 175,402</u>	<u>\$ 2,561</u>	<u>\$ (44)</u>	<u>\$ 177,919</u>
Business-type activities:				
Capital assets not being depreciated:				
Land	\$ 39	\$	\$	\$ 39
Capital assets being depreciated:				
Buildings and system	72,256	1,845		74,101
Machinery and equipment	<u>1,175</u>	<u>38</u>	<u>(53)</u>	<u>1,160</u>
Total capital assets being depreciated	<u>73,431</u>	<u>1,883</u>	<u>(53)</u>	<u>75,261</u>
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Buildings and system	(25,510)	(1,461)		(26,971)
Machinery and equipment	<u>(857)</u>	<u>(75)</u>	<u>53</u>	<u>(879)</u>
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>(26,367)</u>	<u>(1,536)</u>	<u>53</u>	<u>(27,850)</u>
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	<u>47,064</u>	<u>347</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>47,411</u>
Business-Type Activities Capital Assets, Net	<u>\$ 47,103</u>	<u>\$ 347</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 47,450</u>

Depreciation expense was charged to functions/programs of the primary government as follows:

Governmental activities:

General government	\$ 416
Public safety	855
Public works	1,220
Planning and development	77
Park and recreation	151
Library	36
Health and welfare	59
Education	<u>2,242</u>

Total Depreciation Expense - Governmental Activities	\$ <u>5,056</u>
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Business-type activities:

Sewer Enterprise Fund	\$ <u>1,536</u>
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Construction Commitments

The Town has active construction projects as of June 30, 2011. The projects include roads, bridges, water and sewer lines, and school building improvements. At year end the Town's commitments with contractors are as follows:

<u>Project</u>	<u>Spent-to-Date</u>	<u>Commitment</u>
East St. Realignment	\$ 243	\$ 4
Marion Highlands & Roseanna, Lagana	2,456	50
Rails to Trails II	1,364	134
Lazy Lane Recon/Spring Street Recon	961	20
South End/Mt. Vernon Road Paving	591	60
Drive in Theater	191	65
Triano Drive Development	53	3
South End Elementary	<u>9,442</u>	<u>127</u>
Total	\$ <u>15,301</u>	\$ <u>463</u>

The commitments are being financed as follows:

- School projects are financed by bonds and grants from the State Department of Education.
- Other projects are primarily funded by Town general obligation bonds.

6. INTERFUND RECEIVABLES, PAYABLES AND TRANSFERS

Individual fund interfund receivable and payable balances, which result from short-term cash flows needs, are as follows:

<u>Receivable Fund</u>	<u>Payable Fund</u>	<u>Amount</u>
General Fund	Capital Fund	\$ 172
General Fund	Nonmajor Governmental	44
Nonmajor Governmental	General Fund	<u>111</u>
Total		\$ <u>327</u>

Interfund transfers are generally used to supplement revenues of other funds. The transfers that occurred during the year are as follows:

	Transfers In			
	General Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Nonmajor Governmental	Total
Transfers out:				
General Fund	\$	\$	\$	\$
Nonmajor Funds	100	2,602	193	2,795
				100
	\$ 100	\$ 2,602	\$ 193	\$ 2,895

7. LONG-TERM DEBT

Changes in Long-Term Liabilities

Long-term liability activity for the year ended June 30, 2011 was as follows:

	Beginning Balance	Additions	Reductions	Ending Balance	Due Within One Year
Governmental Activities:					
Bonds payable:					
General obligation bonds:					
Town	\$ 55,166	\$ 20,690	\$ 14,191	\$ 61,665	\$ 5,255
Southington Water Company	1,419	3,410	469	4,360	460
Premium on bonds	743	887	64	1,566	
Less deferred amounts	(737)	(355)	(63)	(1,029)	
State of Connecticut - serial note		11,068		11,068	838
Total bonds and notes payable	56,591	35,700	14,661	77,630	6,553
Compensated absences	7,800	1,681	1,641	7,840	1,672
Capital leases		614		614	233
OPEB obligation	3,649	931		4,580	
Heart and hypertension	7,058	645	484	7,219	533
Landfill closure and postclosure	605		229	376	230
Total Governmental Activities	\$ 75,703	\$ 39,571	\$ 17,015	\$ 98,259	\$ 9,221

Bonds payable at June 30, 2011 are comprised of the following issues:

	Date of Issue	Original Issue	Interest Rate (%)	Date of Maturity	Principal Outstanding June 30, 2011
General Purpose Bonds:					
Refunding (General Purpose)	2004	\$ 379	2.00-3.25	09/15/14	\$ 90
General Purpose	2005	5,765	3.50-5.50	11/01/25	3,925
General Purpose	2007	3,025	4.00-5.00	08/01/27	2,280
General Purpose	2009	2,175	3.00-4.00	08/01/27	2,000
Refunding (General Purpose)	2010	2,098	2.00-5.00	05/15/21	1,918
General Purpose	2011	1,713	2.50-4.25	08/01/30	1,713
Refunding (General Purpose)	2011	6,042	2.00-5.00	02/01/24	6,042
					<u>17,968</u>
School Bonds:					
Refunding (Schools)	2004	7,032	2.00-3.25	09/15/14	1,670
Schools	2005	3,510	3.50-5.50	11/01/25	2,250
Schools	2007	2,880	4.00-5.00	08/01/27	1,590
Schools	2009	12,965	3.00-4.00	08/01/27	12,190
Refunding (Schools)	2010	8,008	2.00-5.00	05/15/21	7,430
Schools	2011	6,902	2.50-4.25	08/01/30	6,902
Refunding (Schools)	2011	745	2.00-5.00	02/01/24	745
					<u>32,777</u>
Sewer Bonds:					
Refunding (Sewers)	2004	86	2.00-3.25	09/15/14	20
Sewers	2005	2,900	3.50-5.50	11/01/25	2,150
Sewers	2007	3,070	4.00-5.00	08/01/27	2,555
Sewers	2009	300	3.00-4.00	08/01/27	240
Refunding (Sewers)	2010	959	2.00-5.00	05/15/21	667
Sewers	2011	3,330	2.50-4.25	08/01/30	3,330
Refunding (Sewers)	2011	1,958	2.00-5.00	02/01/24	1,958
State of Connecticut serial notes payable:					
Clean Water Fund Loan 590-C	2011	11,068	2.00	06/30/30	11,068
					<u>21,988</u>
Water Bonds:					
Water	1991	2,044	5.75-6.75	08/15/11	95
Refunding (Water)	2004	3,683	2.00-3.25	09/15/14	855
Water	2011	3,410	2.50-4.25	08/01/21	3,410
					<u>4,360</u>
Total					<u>\$ 77,093</u>

The annual requirements to amortize bond and notes principal and interest are as follows:

<u>Fiscal Year Ending</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>
2012	\$ 6,553	\$ 2,388
2013	6,398	2,327
2014	6,118	2,128
2015	6,133	1,936
2016	5,513	1,763
2017-2021	25,302	6,156
2022-2026	14,272	2,393
2027-2031	6,804	446
Total	<u>\$ 77,093</u>	<u>\$ 19,537</u>

All bonds are general obligation bonds secured by the general revenue raising powers of the Town. Payment will be provided by General Fund revenues for general purpose bonds and user fees charged by the Southington Water Company, an independent entity, for water bonds. The Town issued debt on behalf of the Southington Water Company. At June 30, 2011, \$4,360 is recorded as amounts to be provided by other entities in the government-wide financial statements. The Town does not have any overlapping debt.

The Town is subject to the General Statutes of the State of Connecticut, which limit the amount of debt outstanding at June 30, 2011. In no case shall total indebtedness exceed seven times annual receipts from taxation. The maximum debt amount permitted under this formula would be approximately \$678.7 million.

General Obligation Bonds-Advance Refunding

On June 3, 2011, the Town issued \$8,745 of general obligation refunding bonds with interest rates ranging from 2% to 5% to currently refund the outstanding principal amounts of \$9,160 General Obligation Bonds, Series 2004, dated February 1, 2004.

The net proceeds of \$9,519 (including a premium of \$887 and issuance costs of \$113, including underwriter's fees) will reduce total debt service payments over the next 13 years by approximately \$483 and represents an economic gain (difference between present values of the debt service payments on the old and new debt) of \$467. As a result, the refunded bonds are considered defeased, and all future interest and principal on the defeased bonds will be paid from the proceeds of the refunding issue which were placed into an irrevocable escrow account until all the defeased bonds have been called. The principal balance in escrow was \$9,408 at June 30, 2011. The outstanding balance of the defeased bonds as of June 30, 2011 is \$9,160.

Capital Leases

The Board of Education has entered into several lease agreements as lessee for financing the acquisition of computer equipment. These lease agreements qualify as capital leases for accounting purposes and, therefore, have been recorded at the present value of their future minimum lease payments as of the inception date. The net undepreciated value of assets purchased by capital lease approximates the principal balance payable of \$614 at June 30, 2011. The following is a summary of capital lease commitments as of June 30, 2011.

<u>Year Ending June 30,</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2012	\$ 243
2013	243
2014	<u>162</u>
Subtotal	648
Less interest	<u>(34)</u>
Principal Balance	<u><u>\$ 614</u></u>

Bond Anticipation Notes

The following is a schedule of changes in bond anticipation notes for the year ended June 30, 2011:

<u>Date Issued</u>	<u>Maturity Date</u>	<u>Interest Rate (%)</u>	<u>Balance July 1, 2010</u>	<u>Issued</u>	<u>Retired</u>	<u>Balance June 30, 2011</u>
03/03/10	03/02/11	0.41%	\$ 10,000	\$ -	\$ 10,000	\$ -

8. RISK MANAGEMENT

The Town is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. These risks are covered by commercial insurance purchased from independent third parties. Settled claims from these risks did not exceed commercial insurance coverage during the years ended June 30, 2011, 2010 or 2009. Town insurance can be described as follows:

Employee Health Insurance - The Medical Claims Fund (the Fund), which has been recorded as an Internal Service Fund, was established to account for the medical claims activity of the Town's employees as well as the related funding. Anthem Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Connecticut administers the plan for which the Fund pays a fee.

The Fund establishes claims liabilities based on estimates of claims that have been incurred but not reported; accordingly, the Fund recorded an additional liability at June 30, 2011 of \$1,088.

Premium payments are reported as quasi-external interfund transactions for Town entities, and accordingly, they are treated as operating revenues of the Self-Insurance Fund and operating expenditures of the participating funds.

A schedule of changes in the claims liability for the years ended June 30, 2011 and 2010, is presented below:

		Accrued Liability Beginning of Fiscal Year	Current Year Claims and Changes in Estimates	Claim Payments		Accrued Liability End of Fiscal Year
2009-2010	\$	1,402	\$ 17,409	\$ 17,537	\$	1,274
2010-2011		1,274	16,983	17,170		1,087

Interlocal Risk Pool

The Town is a member of the Connecticut Interlocal Risk Management Agency (CIRMA), an unincorporated association of Connecticut local public agencies that was formed in 1980 by the Connecticut Conference of Municipalities for the purpose of establishing and administering an interlocal risk management program pursuant to the provisions of Section 7479a et. seq. of the Connecticut General Statutes.

The Town participates in CIRMA's Workers' Compensation Pool, a risk sharing pool, which was begun on July 1, 1980. The Workers' Compensation Pool provides statutory benefits pursuant to the provisions of the Connecticut Workers' Compensation Act. CIRMA currently has 220 members in the Workers' Compensation Pool. The coverage is subject to an incurred loss retrospective rating plan and losses incurred in coverage period 2010-11 will be evaluated at 18, 30, and 42 months after the effective date of coverage. The deposit contribution (premium) paid in 2010-11 for the Town and Board of Education was \$1,323. The contribution (premium) is subject to payroll audit at the close of the coverage period. CIRMA's Workers' Compensation Pool retains up to \$1 million per occurrence. Claims over \$1 million are reinsured.

9. FUND EQUITY

The components of fund balance at June 30, 2011 are as follows:

	General Fund	Capital Projects	Sewer Assessments	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total
Fund balances:					
Nonspendable:					
Inventory	\$ 54	\$	\$	\$ 62	\$ 116
Prepaid expenses	177				177
Trust				926	926
Restricted for:					
Grants				46	46
Trust				106	106
Bonds		1,410			1,410
Committed to:					
Public safety				365	365
Public works			923	154	1,077
Human services				149	149
Parks and recreation				91	91
Education				227	227
Assigned to:					
General government	155				155
Public works	473				473
Public safety	108				108
Education	129				129
Other	107				107
Next years budget	375				375
Unassigned	13,486				13,486
Total Fund Balances	\$ 15,064	\$ 1,410	\$ 923	\$ 2,126	\$ 19,523

10. SUMMARY DISCLOSURE OF SIGNIFICANT CONTINGENCIES

The Town's Old Turnpike Road (Old Southington) Landfill, which was closed in 1967, was placed on the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Superfund List for cleanup in the early 1990s. Three hundred and twenty five parties, including the Town, were identified by the EPA as potentially responsible parties (PRPs) for the cleanup costs. The Town, per agreement with the EPA, is responsible for \$4.4 million of the costs for constructing a cap at the site. However, the EPA granted the Town credit of \$3.2 million for landfill costs paid by the Town since 1989, leaving the Town with a net liability of approximately \$1.2 million. This amount was authorized for bonding at referendum in May of 1998. Construction of the cap was completed during fiscal year 2000-01. The Town paid approximately \$840 thousand of its \$1.2 million net share for the cap during 2000-01, which was bonded on May 15, 2001.

In December 2006, EPA issued a final Record of Decision. As a result of that, a passive groundwater remedy has been selected rather than an active remedy. The remedy will consist of institutional controls and fairly extensive groundwater monitoring. The effect of these items on future budgets will be very small.

A settlement in United States versus the Town of Southington was reached on November 24, 2010. The Town was required to make three payments of \$210 thousand to the State of Connecticut, the last of which is due on November 24, 2011.

The Town and its employees are defendants in numerous claims and legal actions. It is the opinion of Town officials that such pending litigation will not be finally determined so as to result individually, or in the aggregate, in a final judgment against the Town that would materially adversely affect its financial position.

The Town participates in a number of federal and state assisted grant programs. These programs are subject to financial and compliance audits by the grantors or their representatives. The audits of certain of these programs for or including the year ended June 30, 2011 have not yet been conducted. Accordingly, the Town's compliance with applicable grant requirements will be established at some future date. The amount, if any, of expenditures that may be disallowed by the granting agencies cannot be determined at this time although the Town expects such amounts, if any, to be immaterial.

The Town may be subject to rebate penalties to the federal government relating to various bond and note issues. The Town expects such amounts, if any, to be immaterial.

11. OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

A. Overview

The Town and Board of Education do not offer retirees any post-employment benefits. They do, however, allow retirees to remain on the Health Self-Insurance plan as long as they pay the full COBRA rates. The only exception to the no post-employment benefits would be for those employees who have retired under Heart and Hypertension and have negotiated these benefits. There are no stand-alone financial statements available for the plan.

At July 1, 2009, plan participation consisted of the following:

Active participants	1,163
Retirees	191
Spouses of retirees	<u>68</u>
Total Participants	<u><u>1,422</u></u>

B. Funding Policy

These other post-employment benefits (OPEB) for former employees are currently funded on a pay-as-you-go basis out of the Self-Insurance Fund and the Heart and Hypertension Department in the General Fund. As of June 30, 2011, the Town has not established a trust fund to segregate assets to fund the liability associated with these benefits.

C. Annual OPEB Cost and Net OPEB Obligations

The Town's annual OPEB cost is calculated based on the annual required contribution (ARC), an amount actuarially determined in accordance with the parameters of GASB Statement No. 45. The ARC represents a level of funding that, if paid on an ongoing basis, is projected to cover normal cost each year and amortize any unfunded actuarial liabilities (or funding excess) over a period not to exceed 30 years. The following table shows the components of the Town's annual OPEB cost for the year ended June 30, 2011, the amount actually contributed to the plan and changes in the Town's net OPEB obligation:

Annual required contribution (ARC)	\$ 3,054
Interest on OPEB obligation	182
Adjustment to annual required contribution	<u>(226)</u>
Annual OPEB cost	3,010
Contributions made	<u>2,079</u>
Increase in net OPEB obligation	931
Net OPEB obligation, beginning of year	<u>3,649</u>
Net OPEB Obligation, End of Year	<u><u>\$ 4,580</u></u>

The Town's annual OPEB cost, the percentage of annual OPEB cost contributed to the plan and the net OPEB obligation for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2011, 2010 and 2009 are presented below.

Fiscal Year Ended	Annual OPEB Cost (AOC)	Actual Contribution	Percentage of AOC Contributed	Net OPEB Obligation (Asset)
6/30/2011	\$ 3,010	\$ 2,079	69.1%	\$ 4,580
6/30/2010	3,455	1,359	39.3%	3,649
6/30/2009	3,425	1,872	54.7%	1,553

D. Schedule of Funding Progress

Actuarial Valuation Date	Actuarial Value of Assets	Actuarial Accrued Liability (AAL)	Unfunded AAL	Funded Ratio	Covered Payroll	UAAL as a Percentage of Covered Payroll
7/1/2007	\$ -0-	\$ 37,107	\$ 37,107	0.0%	\$ 61,102	60.7%
7/1/2009	-0-	37,666	37,666	0.0%	58,386	64.5%

Actuarial valuations of an ongoing plan involve estimates of the value of reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future. Examples include assumptions about future employment, mortality and the healthcare cost trend. Amounts determined regarding the funded status of the plan and the annual required contributions of the employer are subject to continual revision as accrual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future.

Projections for benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the substantive plan (the plan as understood by the employer and plan members) and include the types of benefits provided at the time of each valuation and the historical pattern of sharing benefit costs between the employer and plan members to that point. The actuarial methods and assumptions used include techniques that are designed to reduce the effects of short-term volatility in actuarial accrued liabilities and the actuarial value of assets, consistent with the long-term perspective of the calculations. The plan is a single-employer plan.

In the July 1, 2009 actuarial valuation, the projected unit actuarial credit cost method was used. The annual required contribution (ARC) reflects an open 30-year, level amortization of the unfunded actuarial accrued liability (AAL). The actuarial assumptions include a 5% investment rate of return and an inflation rate of 3%. The annual healthcare cost trend rate is 10% initially, grading down to 5% for 2014 and later.

12. EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT SYSTEMS

Municipal Employees' Retirement System

All Town of Southington full-time employees, except teachers who are eligible to participate in the State of Connecticut Teachers' Retirement System, participate in the Municipal Employees' Retirement Fund (MERF), a cost-sharing multiple-employer public employee retirement system (PERS) established by the State of Connecticut and administered by the State Retirement Commission to provide retirement and disability benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments and death benefits to the employees and beneficiaries of participating municipalities. Chapter 113 Part II of the General Statutes of Connecticut, which can be amended by legislative action, establishes PERS benefits, member contribution rates and other plan provisions. MERF is considered to be a part of the State of Connecticut financial reporting entity and is included in the State's financial reports as a pension trust fund. Those reports may be obtained by writing to the State of Connecticut, Office of the State Comptroller, 55 Elm Street, Hartford, Connecticut 06106 or by calling 860-702-3480.

Funding Policy - Plan members are required by State Statute to contribute 2-1/4% of earnings upon which Social Security tax is paid plus 5% of earnings on which no Social Security tax is paid. Each participating municipality is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. The current rate is 11.56% of annual covered payroll. The contribution requirements of the Town are established and may be amended by the State Retirement Commission. The Town's contributions to MERS for the years ended June 30, 2011, 2010 and 2009 were \$3,024, \$2,212, and \$1,972, respectively, equal to the required contributions for each year.

Teachers' Retirement

All Town of Southington teachers participate in the State of Connecticut Teachers' Retirement System under Section 10.183 of the General Statutes of the State of Connecticut. A teacher is eligible to receive a normal retirement benefit if he or she has: 1) attained age 60 and has accumulated 20 years of credited service in the public schools of Connecticut or 2) attained any age and has accumulated 35 years of credited service, at least 25 years of which are service in the public schools of Connecticut.

The Board of Education withholds 7.25% of all teachers' annual salaries and transmits the funds to the State Teachers' Retirement Board. Certified payroll subject to retirement amounted to \$39,258 or 74.8% of total Board of Education payroll of \$52,449.

The retirement system for teachers is funded by the State based upon the recommendation of the Teachers' Retirement Board. Such contribution includes amortization of the actuarially computed unfunded liability. These obligations are established under the authority of the Connecticut General Statutes. For the year ended June 30, 2011 the Town has recorded, in the General Fund, intergovernmental revenue and education expenditures in the amount of \$6,287 as payments made by the State of Connecticut on behalf of the Town. The Town does not have any liability for teacher pensions.

The State of Connecticut Teacher Retirement System is considered to be a part of the State of Connecticut financial reporting entity and is included in the State's financial reports as a pension trust fund. Those reports may be obtained by writing to the State of Connecticut, Office of the State Comptroller, 55 Elm Street, Hartford, Connecticut 06106.

Required Supplementary Information

TOWN OF SOUTHTON, CONNECTICUT

GENERAL FUND

SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES
BUDGET AND ACTUAL (NON-GAAP BUDGETARY BASIS)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

(In Thousands)

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
	Original	Final		
Property taxes, interest and lien fees:				
Taxes	\$ 95,951	\$ 95,951	\$ 96,227	\$ 276
Suspense taxes	30	30	54	24
Interest and lien fees	482	482	745	263
Total property taxes, interest and lien fees	96,463	96,463	97,026	563
Licenses, fees and permits:				
Building	550	550	586	36
Police	32	32	33	1
Library	30	30	28	(2)
Miscellaneous		23	23	-
Total licenses, fees and permits	612	635	670	35
Educational Cost Sharing	17,009	17,009	16,974	(35)
Education Cost Sharing ARRA	2,830	2,830	2,830	-
Non-public school transportation	44	44	47	3
Public school transportation	268	268	198	(70)
Excess Cost Supplement		129	129	-
School building construction grants	350	350	357	7
Vocational Agriculture	160	160	175	15
Children/youth services	26	26	27	1
Youth Service/Drug free	32	37	36	(1)
Town aid road transportation grant	262	262	261	(1)
Health education/risk reduction grant	6	6	6	-
Non-public health services	58	58	55	(3)
Telephone access lines	110	110	83	(27)
Pequot/Mohegan Grant	143	143	145	2
Telecommunications fund grant	200	200	88	(112)
Municipal video grant	15	15	14	(1)
FEMA reimbursements			87	87
Local capital improvement grant	284	284	278	(6)
In lieu of taxes:				
Hospital	145	145	146	1
Tax relief for elderly	290	290	298	8

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TOWN OF SOUTHTON, CONNECTICUT

**SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES
BUDGET AND ACTUAL (NON-GAAP BUDGETARY BASIS) (CONTINUED)**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011
(In Thousands)**

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>			Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>	<u>Actual</u>	
Intergovernmental revenues (continued):				
Veterans' exemption	\$ 48	\$ 48	\$ 50	\$ 2
State properties	34	34	34	-
Disability exemption	5	5	5	-
Boats	7	7	11	4
Manufacturers machinery and equipment	800	800	659	(141)
Distressed municipalities	65	65	58	(7)
Miscellaneous	1	3	24	21
Traffic enforcement grant		4	4	-
Bioterrorism grant	64	64	63	(1)
Health plan flu grant	25	91	91	-
Total intergovernmental revenues	<u>23,281</u>	<u>23,487</u>	<u>23,233</u>	<u>(254)</u>
Investment Income	<u>296</u>	<u>296</u>	<u>131</u>	<u>(165)</u>
Charges for services:				
Town Clerk	1,025	1,025	977	(48)
Health department services	40	40	43	3
Recreation	200	200	183	(17)
Planning and zoning	45	45	35	(10)
Fire Department services	6	35	40	5
Police Department services	50	50	50	-
Engineering services	2	2	11	9
Assessors returns	1	1	1	-
School tuition and fees	575	711	695	(16)
School building rentals	14	98	63	(35)
Miscellaneous	10	23	39	16
Total charges for services	<u>1,968</u>	<u>2,230</u>	<u>2,137</u>	<u>(93)</u>

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**SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES
BUDGET AND ACTUAL (NON-GAAP BUDGETARY BASIS) (CONTINUED)**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

(In Thousands)

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
Other revenues:				
Sale/lease of town property	\$ 2	\$ 2	\$ 9	\$ 7
Loss/damage to town property			17	17
Prior year appropriated funds returned	1	1	4	3
Miscellaneous	5	69	99	30
Fund balance utilized	425	425		(425)
Total other revenues	433	497	129	(368)
Transfers In			50	50
Total Revenues and Other Financing Sources	\$ <u>123,053</u>	\$ <u>123,608</u>	123,376	\$ <u>(232)</u>

Budgetary revenues are different than GAAP revenues because:

State of Connecticut on-behalf contributions to the Connecticut State Teachers'

Retirement System for Town teachers are not budgeted 6,287

Proceeds from issuance of capital leases are not budgeted 614

Refunding bonds and premiums issued that are not budgeted 9,961

Total Revenues and Other Financing Sources as Reported on the Statement of
Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds
Exhibit IV

\$ 140,238

TOWN OF SOUTHTON, CONNECTICUT

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SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES AND OTHER FINANCING USES
BUDGET AND ACTUAL (NON-GAAP BUDGETARY BASIS)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

(In Thousands)

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
General Government				
Town Council:				
Personnel service	\$ 9	\$ 9	\$ 9	\$ -
Contractual services	18	21	21	
Materials and supplies	8	8	6	2
Fixed charges	30	30	30	-
Total	<u>65</u>	<u>68</u>	<u>66</u>	<u>2</u>
Town Manager:				
Personnel service	176	208	208	-
Contractual services	20	50	44	6
Materials and supplies	5	5	5	-
Fixed charges	5	5	5	-
Capital outlay		10		10
Total	<u>206</u>	<u>278</u>	<u>262</u>	<u>16</u>
Board of Finance:				
Personnel service	4	4	4	-
Contractual services	3	3	3	-
Fixed charges	1	1	1	-
Total	<u>8</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>-</u>
Finance Department:				
Personnel service	419	422	422	-
Materials and supplies	11	14	14	-
Fixed charges	1	1	1	-
Total	<u>431</u>	<u>437</u>	<u>437</u>	<u>-</u>
Town Treasurer:				
Personnel service	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>-</u>

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TOWN OF SOUTHTON, CONNECTICUT

GENERAL FUND

**SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES AND OTHER FINANCING USES
BUDGET AND ACTUAL (NON-GAAP BUDGETARY BASIS) (CONTINUED)**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011
(In Thousands)**

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance Positive (Negative)</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
Town Clerk:				
Personnel service	\$ 245	\$ 243	\$ 243	\$ -
Contractual services	38	40	36	4
Materials and supplies	8	8	8	-
Fixed charges	2	2	2	-
Capital outlay	2			-
Total	<u>295</u>	<u>293</u>	<u>289</u>	<u>4</u>
Tax Department:				
Personnel service	234	234	234	-
Contractual services	16	12	12	-
Materials and supplies	45	45	41	4
Fixed charges	2	2	2	-
Capital outlay	2	2	2	-
Total	<u>299</u>	<u>295</u>	<u>291</u>	<u>4</u>
Assessor:				
Personnel service	271	270	269	1
Contractual services	267	265	125	140
Materials and supplies	12	11	11	-
Fixed charges	4	4	3	1
Capital outlay	4	1	1	-
Total	<u>558</u>	<u>551</u>	<u>409</u>	<u>142</u>
Board of Assessment Appeals:				
Personnel service	2	2	2	-
Contractual services	1	1		1
Total	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>
Information Technology:				
Capital outlay	<u>116</u>	<u>116</u>	<u>115</u>	<u>1</u>
Probate Court:				
Contractual services	5	6	6	-
Materials and supplies	6	6	6	-
Total	<u>11</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>-</u>

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**SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES AND OTHER FINANCING USES
BUDGET AND ACTUAL (NON-GAAP BUDGETARY BASIS) (CONTINUED)**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011
(In Thousands)**

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>			<u>Variance Positive (Negative)</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>	<u>Actual</u>	
Town Attorney/Legal:				
Personnel service	\$ 185	\$ 185	\$ 185	\$ -
Contractual services	54	48	48	-
Materials and supplies	4	3	3	-
Fixed charges	3	2	2	-
Total	<u>246</u>	<u>238</u>	<u>238</u>	<u>-</u>
Elections Department:				
Personnel service	105	109	103	6
Contractual services	7	6	6	-
Materials and supplies	31	25	21	4
Fixed charges	2	1	1	-
Capital outlay	2			-
Total	<u>147</u>	<u>141</u>	<u>131</u>	<u>10</u>
Insurance:				
Fixed charges	<u>1,051</u>	<u>955</u>	<u>908</u>	<u>47</u>
Annual Audit:				
Fixed charges	<u>34</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>-</u>
Total general government	<u>3,473</u>	<u>3,432</u>	<u>3,205</u>	<u>227</u>
Public Safety				
Police Department:				
Personnel service	5,766	5,638	5,626	12
Contractual services	274	353	239	114
Materials and supplies	362	391	372	19
Fixed charges	54	44	35	9
Capital outlay	211	202	184	18
Total	<u>6,667</u>	<u>6,628</u>	<u>6,456</u>	<u>172</u>
Central Dispatch:				
Personnel service	617	627	612	15
Contractual services	50	50	50	-
Total	<u>667</u>	<u>677</u>	<u>662</u>	<u>15</u>

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**SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES AND OTHER FINANCING USES
BUDGET AND ACTUAL (NON-GAAP BUDGETARY BASIS) (CONTINUED)**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

(In Thousands)

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>			<u>Variance Positive (Negative)</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>	<u>Actual</u>	
Fire Department:				
Personnel service	\$ 3,097	\$ 3,220	\$ 3,216	\$ 4
Contractual services	253	247	237	10
Materials and supplies	308	304	303	1
Fixed charges	48	47	46	1
Capital outlay	54	52	52	-
Continued appropriations		16	16	-
Total	<u>3,760</u>	<u>3,886</u>	<u>3,870</u>	<u>16</u>
Fire Hydrant rentals:				
Fixed charges	<u>410</u>	<u>410</u>	<u>409</u>	<u>1</u>
Safety Program:				
Contractual services	4	5	3	2
Materials and supplies	50	30	26	4
Capital outlay	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>-</u>
Total	<u>59</u>	<u>39</u>	<u>33</u>	<u>6</u>
Parking Authority:				
Personnel service	1	1	1	-
Contractual services	13	12	6	6
Materials and supplies	1	2	1	1
Fixed charges	1	1	1	-
Continued appropriations		4	4	-
Total	<u>16</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>7</u>
Total public safety	<u>11,579</u>	<u>11,660</u>	<u>11,443</u>	<u>217</u>
Public Works:				
Town Hall and Annex:				
Contractual services	68	68	60	8
Materials and supplies	<u>97</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>96</u>	<u>4</u>
Total	<u>165</u>	<u>168</u>	<u>156</u>	<u>12</u>
Historical Buildings:				
Materials and supplies	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>1</u>
Total	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>1</u>

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SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES AND OTHER FINANCING USES
BUDGET AND ACTUAL (NON-GAAP BUDGETARY BASIS) (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

(In Thousands)

	Budgeted Amounts			Variance
	Original	Final	Actual	Positive (Negative)
Sylvia Bradley Historical Society:				
Contractual services	\$ 8	\$ 6	\$ 5	\$ 1
Materials and supplies	10	12	12	-
Total	18	18	17	1
Engineering Department:				
Personnel service	604	561	558	3
Contractual services	11	8	7	1
Materials and supplies	18	21	21	-
Fixed charges	2	2	1	1
Total	635	592	587	5
Highway Department:				
Personnel service	1,478	1,447	1,436	11
Contractual services	484	511	503	8
Materials and supplies	165	162	161	1
Fixed charges	31	30	30	-
Capital outlay	97	159	39	120
Total	2,255	2,309	2,169	140
Snow and Ice Removal:				
Personnel service	115	193	193	-
Contractual services	160	412	408	4
Materials and supplies	430	405	405	-
Total	705	1,010	1,006	4
Street Lighting:				
Contractual services	100	100	63	37
Materials and supplies	276	276	259	17
Total	376	376	322	54
Tree Maintenance:				
Contractual services	19	19	19	-
Bulky Waste Transfer Station:				
Personnel service	90	96	96	-
Contractual services	195	190	177	13
Capital outlay				
Total	285	286	273	13

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SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES AND OTHER FINANCING USES
BUDGET AND ACTUAL (NON-GAAP BUDGETARY BASIS) (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

(In Thousands)

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
Environmental Problems:				
Contractual services	\$ 280	\$ 609	\$ 251	\$ 358
Total	<u>280</u>	<u>609</u>	<u>251</u>	<u>358</u>
Total Public Works	<u>4,744</u>	<u>5,393</u>	<u>4,805</u>	<u>588</u>
Health and Welfare:				
Community Services:				
Personnel service	150	150	150	-
Contractual services	21	21	20	1
Materials and supplies	21	21	21	-
Fixed charges	1	1		1
Capital outlay	8	45	14	31
Continued appropriations		20	18	2
Total	<u>201</u>	<u>258</u>	<u>223</u>	<u>35</u>
Health Department:				
Personnel service	294	296	296	-
Contractual services	142	205	183	22
Materials and supplies	16	14	14	-
Fixed charges	27	27	27	-
Capital outlay	1			-
Continued appropriations		24	15	9
Total	<u>480</u>	<u>566</u>	<u>535</u>	<u>31</u>
Mental Health:				
Fixed charges	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>-</u>
Nonpublic School Nurses:				
Contractual services	<u>105</u>	<u>107</u>	<u>107</u>	<u>-</u>
Drug Task Force:				
Contractual services	1	1	1	-
Materials and supplies	2	2	2	-
Total	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Health and Welfare	<u>792</u>	<u>937</u>	<u>871</u>	<u>66</u>

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**SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES AND OTHER FINANCING USES
BUDGET AND ACTUAL (NON-GAAP BUDGETARY BASIS) (CONTINUED)**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011
(In Thousands)**

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>			<u>Variance Positive (Negative)</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>	<u>Actual</u>	
Human Services:				
Youth Counseling:				
Personnel service	\$ 270	\$ 275	\$ 275	\$ -
Contractual services	6	5	5	-
Materials and supplies	1	1	1	-
Fixed charges	2	2	2	-
Capital outlay	2	1		1
Total	<u>281</u>	<u>284</u>	<u>283</u>	<u>1</u>
Commission on the Handicapped:				
Contractual services	9	9	7	2
Materials and supplies	1	1		1
Fixed charges	1	1		1
Total	<u>11</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>4</u>
Community Assistance:				
Contractual services	<u>50</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>-</u>
Calendar House-Senior Citizens:				
Personnel service	313	308	307	1
Contractual services	92	83	82	1
Materials and supplies	67	65	56	9
Fixed charges	2	2	2	-
Capital outlay	2	10	1	9
Total	<u>476</u>	<u>468</u>	<u>448</u>	<u>20</u>
Southington Housing Authority:				
Materials and supplies	<u>25</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>4</u>
Total Human Services	<u>843</u>	<u>838</u>	<u>809</u>	<u>29</u>
Parks and Recreation:				
Parks Department:				
Personnel service	537	537	520	17
Contractual services	192	180	105	75
Materials and supplies	177	219	214	5
Fixed charges	1			-
Capital outlay	5	20	15	5
Total	<u>912</u>	<u>956</u>	<u>854</u>	<u>102</u>

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SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES AND OTHER FINANCING USES
BUDGET AND ACTUAL (NON-GAAP BUDGETARY BASIS) (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

(In Thousands)

	Budgeted Amounts			Variance
	Original	Final	Actual	Positive (Negative)
Recreation Department:				
Personnel service	\$ 321	\$ 309	\$ 298	\$ 11
Contractual services	221	203	100	103
Materials and supplies	23	24	24	-
Fixed charges	24	24	24	-
Total	589	560	446	114
Community Celebrations:				
Fixed charges	5	5	5	-
Organized Recreation:				
Fixed charges	88	88	88	-
Total Parks and Recreation	1,594	1,609	1,393	216
Library:				
Public Library:				
Personnel service	912	914	905	9
Contractual services	95	126	99	27
Materials and supplies	226	231	228	3
Fixed charges	2	2	2	-
Capital outlay	60	54	54	-
Continued appropriations		1	1	-
Total	1,295	1,328	1,289	39
Barnes Museum:				
Personnel service	72	72	72	-
Contractual services	10	40	38	2
Materials and supplies	13	13	13	-
Total	95	125	123	2
Total Library	1,390	1,453	1,412	41
Planning and Development:				
Economic Development Commission:				
Personnel service	120	121	121	-
Contractual services	16	16	14	2
Materials and supplies	2	2	2	-
Fixed charges	2			-
Total	140	139	137	2

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

(In Thousands)

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance Positive (Negative)</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
Building Department:				
Personnel service	\$ 346	\$ 351	\$ 350	\$ 1
Contractual services	4	4	4	-
Materials and supplies	12	9	9	-
Fixed charges	4	4	3	1
Capital outlay	1			-
Total	<u>367</u>	<u>368</u>	<u>366</u>	<u>2</u>
Planning and Zoning:				
Personnel service	298	308	305	3
Contractual services	25	22	15	7
Materials and supplies	9	9	9	-
Fixed charges	20	20	20	-
Total	<u>352</u>	<u>359</u>	<u>349</u>	<u>10</u>
Zoning Board of Appeals:				
Personnel service	5	5	4	1
Contractual services	8	8	8	-
Materials and supplies	2	2	1	1
Fixed charges		1	1	-
Total	<u>15</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>2</u>
Conservation Commission:				
Personnel service	4	4	3	1
Contractual services	4	4	2	2
Materials and supplies	2	2	1	1
Fixed charges	1	1		1
Continued appropriations		6		6
Total	<u>11</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>11</u>
Total Planning and Development	<u>885</u>	<u>899</u>	<u>872</u>	<u>27</u>

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TOWN OF SOUTHTON, CONNECTICUT

GENERAL FUND

**SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES AND OTHER FINANCING USES
BUDGET AND ACTUAL (NON-GAAP BUDGETARY BASIS) (CONTINUED)**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance Positive (Negative)</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
Miscellaneous:				
Land Lease:				
Fixed charges	\$ 1	\$ 1	\$ 1	\$ -
Nonlegal professional services:				
Contractual services	40	40	18	22
Continued appropriations		10	10	-
Total Miscellaneous	<u>41</u>	<u>51</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>22</u>
Employee Benefits:				
Medical and group insurance:				
Fixed charges	<u>3,492</u>	<u>3,317</u>	<u>3,317</u>	<u>-</u>
Heart and Hypertension:				
Personnel service	1,180	1,164	1,143	21
Contractual services	<u>26</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>4</u>
Total Heart and Hypertension	<u>1,206</u>	<u>1,190</u>	<u>1,165</u>	<u>25</u>
Employee Retirement:				
Municipal:				
Fixed charges	3,673	3,408	3,408	-
Police:				
Fixed charges	107	132	132	-
Unemployment Compensation:				
Fixed charges	<u>15</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>
Total	<u>3,795</u>	<u>3,555</u>	<u>3,547</u>	<u>8</u>
Accumulated Payout:				
Fixed charges	<u>90</u>	<u>90</u>	<u>82</u>	<u>8</u>
Tuition Reimbursement:				
Fixed charges	<u>11</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>-</u>
Medical Services:				
Fixed charges	<u>5</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	
Total Employee Benefits	<u>8,599</u>	<u>8,156</u>	<u>8,115</u>	<u>41</u>

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TOWN OF SOUTHTON, CONNECTICUT

GENERAL FUND

**SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES AND OTHER FINANCING USES
BUDGET AND ACTUAL (NON-GAAP BUDGETARY BASIS) (CONTINUED)**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>			<u>Variance</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Positive</u> <u>(Negative)</u>
Debt Service				
Debt service - principal:	\$	\$	\$	\$
Town and Sewer	1,956	1,956	1,923	33
Schools	2,726	2,726	2,726	-
Total	<u>4,682</u>	<u>4,682</u>	<u>4,649</u>	<u>33</u>
Debt service - interest:				
Town and Sewer	847	847	844	3
Schools	981	981	981	-
Total	<u>1,828</u>	<u>1,828</u>	<u>1,825</u>	<u>3</u>
Total Debt Service	<u>6,510</u>	<u>6,510</u>	<u>6,474</u>	<u>36</u>
Board of Education:				
School operations	79,439	79,660	79,658	2
Building maintenance		9	6	3
Contractual services	102	231	95	136
Total Board of Education	<u>79,541</u>	<u>79,900</u>	<u>79,759</u>	<u>141</u>
Contingency	850	64		64
Total expenditures	<u>120,841</u>	<u>120,902</u>	<u>119,187</u>	<u>1,715</u>
Other Financing Uses:				
Transfers out	2,212	2,795	2,795	-
Total	\$ <u>123,053</u>	\$ <u>123,697</u>	121,982	\$ <u>1,715</u>

Budgetary expenditures are different than GAAP expenditures because:

State of Connecticut on-behalf payments to the Connecticut State Teachers'

Retirement System for Town teachers are not budgeted 6,287

Accrued payroll is reported as expenditure for GAAP purposes (91)

Issuance of capital leases are not budgeted 614

Payment to refunded bond escrow agent and issue costs that are not budgeted 9,632

Total Expenditures and Other Financing Uses as Reported on the Statement of
Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds -
Exhibit IV

\$ 138,424

Combining and Individual Fund Statements and Schedules

General Fund

TOWN OF SOUTHTON, CONNECTICUT

GENERAL FUND

COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET

JUNE 30, 2011 AND 2010

(In Thousands)

	<u>2011</u>	<u>2010</u>
ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 16,748	\$ 15,396
Property taxes receivable, net of allowance for uncollectible accounts of \$156 in 2011 and \$118 in 2010	2,360	2,421
Due from State of Connecticut	506	435
Accounts receivable	170	54
Due from other funds	216	203
Inventories	54	54
Prepaid assets	<u>177</u>	<u></u>
Total Assets	<u>\$ 20,231</u>	<u>\$ 18,563</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE		
Liabilities:		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 2,663	\$ 2,780
Due to other funds	111	133
Due to State of Connecticut	300	295
Deferred revenue	<u>2,093</u>	<u>2,105</u>
Total liabilities	<u>5,167</u>	<u>5,313</u>
Fund balance:		
Nonspendable	231	54
Assigned	1,347	515
Unassigned	<u>13,486</u>	<u>12,681</u>
Total fund balance	<u>15,064</u>	<u>13,250</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	<u>\$ 20,231</u>	<u>\$ 18,563</u>

TOWN OF SOUTHTINGTON, CONNECTICUT

GENERAL FUND

REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011
(In Thousands)

Grand List	Uncollected Taxes July 1, 2010	Lawful Corrections		Transfers To Suspend	Adjusted Taxes Collectible	Collections		Amount Paid to Treasurer	Credit Balances	Uncollected Taxes June 30, 2011
		Additions	Deductions			Taxes	Warrants Liens/Fees			
2009	\$ 96,880	\$ 41	\$ 457	\$ 91	\$ 96,373	\$ 95,296	\$ 271	\$ 1	\$ 177	\$ 1,254
2008	1,343	2	18	64	1,263	687	139	5	11	587
2007	633	1	8	24	602	245	124	2	6	363
2006	265		2	6	257	145	81	1	1	113
2005	123		2	7	114	35	29		2	81
2004	58		1	3	54	15	13			39
2003	32		1	1	30	9	9			21
2002	21		1	1	19	4	4			15
2001	12				12	3	3			9
2000	9				9	2	4			7
1999	7				7	2	4			5
1998	8				8	2	4			6
1997	8				8	2	4			6
1996	8				8	2	5			6
1995	7				7	3	5			4
1994	5		5	*	-					-
	\$ 99,419	\$ 44	\$ 495	\$ 197	\$ 98,771	\$ 96,452	\$ 699	\$ 9	\$ 197	\$ 2,516

* Operation of law

Nonmajor Governmental Funds

NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

Special Revenue Funds

Special Revenue Funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are designated or legally restricted to expenditures for specific purposes. The nature and purpose of each Special Revenue Fund is as follows:

Fund	Funding Source	Function
Cafeteria	Sale of food and grants	School lunch program
Animal Control	Licenses and fees	Canine control program
Federal and State Education Grants	State and federal grant	Education programs
Police Auction	Sale of goods	Health insurance premiums for retired officers
Refuse	Charges for services	Refuse removal
Police Special Duty	Charges for services	Public safety
Apple Harvest Festival	Charges for services and donations	Apple Harvest Festival
Police Forfeiture	Drug forfeitures	Drug education
Town Special Revenue	Town Clerk fees	Maintaining public land, documents and records
Child Development Center	Grants	Maintaining the Margaret C. Griffin Child Development Center of Southington, Inc.
Library Trust	Trust income	Support and benefit of the Town's library
Excavation Permit	Charges for services	Fees for excavation permits.
Community Services	Contributions	Community services
Drive-In Theatre	Charges for services	Improvements to the Drive-In theatre site
Barnes Museum Restoration	Contributions	Restoration of Barnes Museum

Permanent Funds

Permanent funds are used to report resources that are legally restricted to the extent that only earnings, not principal, may be used for purposes that support the reporting government's programs.

Edna Woodruff Fund - to account for income and school expenditures.

Addin Lewis Fund - to account for income and education expenditures.

Julia Bradley Library Fund - proceeds of trust fund established for the benefit of the Town's library.

Board of Education Scholarship Funds - to account for income and scholarship expenditures.

Library Trust Fund - for support and benefit of the Town's library.

TOWN OF SOUTHLINGTON, CONNECTICUT
COMBINING BALANCE SHEET
NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

JUNE 30, 2011
(In Thousands)

Special Revenue								
	Cafeteria	Animal Control	Federal and State Education Grants	Police Auction	Refuse	Police Special Duty	Apple Harvest Festival	Police Forfeiture
ASSETS								
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 168	\$ 97	\$ 116	\$ 3	\$	\$	25	\$ 59
Investments								
Accounts receivable	77		62		216	222		
Due from other funds					22			
Inventories	62							
Total Assets	\$ 307	\$ 97	\$ 178	\$ 3	\$ 238	\$ 247	\$ 124	\$ 59
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES								
Liabilities:								
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 18	\$ 20	\$ 29	\$	\$ 182	\$ 21	\$	
Due to other funds			4		40			
Deferred revenue			99					
Other liabilities					14			
Total liabilities	18	20	132	-	236	21	-	-
Fund Balances:								
Nonspendable	62							
Restricted			46					
Committed	227	77		3	2	226	124	59
Total fund balance	289	77	46	3	2	226	124	59
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$ 307	\$ 97	\$ 178	\$ 3	\$ 238	\$ 247	\$ 124	\$ 59

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TOWN OF SOUTHTINGTON, CONNECTICUT
COMBINING BALANCE SHEET (CONTINUED)
NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

JUNE 30, 2011
(In Thousands)

	Special Revenue							
	Town Special Revenue	Child Development Center	Library Trust	Excavation Permit	Community Services	Drive In Theatre	Barnes Museum Restoration	Total
\$	128	\$	17	\$ 440	\$ 41	\$ 19	\$ 75	\$ 1,312
								-
			89					577
								111
								62
\$	128	\$ -	\$ 106	\$ 440	\$ 41	\$ 19	\$ 75	\$ 2,062
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES								

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TOWN OF SOUTHTON, CONNECTICUT
COMBINING BALANCE SHEET
NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

JUNE 30, 2011
(In Thousands)

	Permanent						Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
	Edna Woodruff	Addin Lewis	Julia Bradley Library	Board of Education Scholarship	Library Trust	Total	
ASSETS							
Cash and cash equivalents		\$	\$	193	\$	210	\$
Investments	2	3	1	367	16	721	1,522
Accounts receivable					349	-	721
Due from other funds						-	577
Inventories						-	111
						-	62
Total Assets	2	3	1	560	365	931	2,993
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES							
Liabilities:							
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$	\$	\$	\$	5	5	\$
Due to other funds						-	44
Deferred revenue						-	335
Other liabilities						-	190
Total liabilities	-	-	-	-	5	5	867
Fund Balances:							
Nonspendable	2	3	1	560	360	926	988
Restricted						-	152
Committed						-	986
Total fund balance	2	3	1	560	360	926	2,126
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	2	3	1	560	365	931	2,993

TOWN OF SOUTHTON, CONNECTICUT
COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011
(In Thousands)

	Special Revenue						
	Federal and State Grants	Animal Control	Police Auction	Refuse	Police Special Duty	Apple Harvest Festival	Police Forfeiture
Revenues:							
Contributions		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Intergovernmental							
Charges for services		10		1,979	1,114	211	46
Income on investments							
Net increase (decrease) in fair value of investments							
Total revenues		<u>10</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,979</u>	<u>1,114</u>	<u>255</u>	<u>46</u>
Expenditures:							
Current:							
General government		194		1,979	1,029	148	1
Public safety							
Public works							
Health and welfare							
Human services							
Parks and recreation							
Public library							
Education							
Total expenditures		<u>194</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,979</u>	<u>1,029</u>	<u>148</u>	<u>1</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over Expenditures		<u>38</u>	<u>(184)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>85</u>	<u>107</u>	<u>45</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses):							
Transfers in		193					
Transfers out		<u>193</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(50)</u>	<u>(50)</u>	<u>-</u>
Total other financing sources (uses)							
Net Change in Fund Balances		<u>38</u>	<u>(12)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>35</u>	<u>57</u>	<u>45</u>
Fund Balances at Beginning of Year		<u>251</u>	<u>68</u>	<u>58</u>	<u>191</u>	<u>67</u>	<u>14</u>
Fund Balances at End of Year		<u>\$ 289</u>	<u>\$ 77</u>	<u>\$ 46</u>	<u>\$ 226</u>	<u>\$ 124</u>	<u>\$ 59</u>

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TOWN OF SOUTHTON, CONNECTICUT
COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES (CONTINUED)
NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011
(In Thousands)

	Special Revenue							
	Town Special Revenue	Child Development Center	Library Trust	Excavation Permit	Community Services	Drive In Theatre	Barnes Museum Restoration	Total
Revenues:								
Contributions	\$ 171	\$ 380	\$ 6	\$	\$ 40	\$	\$ 75	\$ 159
Intergovernmental								5,961
Charges for services	104		11	53		36		4,778
Income on investments								-
Net increase (decrease) in fair value of investments								-
Total revenues	275	380	17	53	40	36	75	10,898
Expenditures:								
Current:								
General government	51							51
Public safety	3							1,227
Public works	195			50				2,372
Health and welfare	17							17
Human services	159	380			37	22		576
Parks and recreation	4							26
Public library			23					23
Education		380	23	50	37	22	-	6,592
Total expenditures	429							10,884
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over Expenditures	(154)	-	(6)	3	3	14	75	14
Other Financing Sources (Uses):								
Transfers in			5					198
Transfers out								(100)
Total other financing sources (uses)	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	98
Net Change in Fund Balances	(154)	-	(1)	3	3	14	75	112
Fund Balances at Beginning of Year	264	-	107	25	36	2	-	1,088
Fund Balances at End of Year	\$ 110	\$ -	\$ 106	\$ 28	\$ 39	\$ 16	\$ 75	\$ 1,200

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TOWN OF SOUTHTON, CONNECTICUT
COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES (CONTINUED)
NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011
(In Thousands)

	Permanent						Interfund Eliminations	Total	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
	Edna Woodruff	Addin Lewis	Julia Bradley Library	Board of Education Scholarship	Library Trust				
Revenues:	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$		\$	
Contributions									217
Intergovernmental									5,961
Charges for services									4,778
Income on investments					57			63	63
Net increase (decrease) in fair value of investments		(1)		12				11	11
Total revenues		(1)		61	72			132	11,030
Expenditures:									
Current:									
General government									51
Public safety									1,227
Public works									2,372
Health and welfare									17
Human services									576
Parks and recreation									26
Public library									55
Education		-		47	32			79	6,639
Total expenditures		-		47	32				10,963
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over Expenditures		(1)		14	40			53	67
Other Financing Sources (Uses):									
Transfers in									193
Transfers out		(1)		-	(5)		(5)		(100)
Total other financing sources (uses)					(5)				93
Net Change in Fund Balances		(1)		14	35			48	160
Fund Balances at Beginning of Year	2	4	1	546	325			878	1,966
Fund Balances at End of Year	2	3	1	560	360			926	2,126

Fiduciary Funds

AGENCY FUNDS

Agency Funds are used to account for assets held by the Town in a trustee capacity, or as an agent for individuals, private organizations, other governments, and/or other funds. Agency Funds are custodial in nature and do not involve measurement of results and operations.

Student Activity Fund - accounts for the monies generated by student activities in the Southington school system.

Escrow Deposit Fund - to account for deposits held as performance bonds.

TOWN OF SOUTHTON, CONNECTICUT

COMBINING BALANCE SHEET - AGENCY FUNDS

JUNE 30, 2011 WITH COMPARATIVE TOTALS FOR 2010

(In Thousands)

	Student Activity Fund	Escrow Deposit Fund	Totals	
			2011	2010
Assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 416	\$ 2,872	\$ 3,288	\$ 1,944
Investments	<u>214</u>	<u></u>	<u>214</u>	<u>213</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$ 630</u>	<u>\$ 2,872</u>	<u>\$ 3,502</u>	<u>\$ 2,157</u>
Liabilities:				
Fiduciary deposits	<u>\$ 630</u>	<u>\$ 2,872</u>	<u>\$ 3,502</u>	<u>\$ 2,157</u>

TOWN OF SOUTHTON, CONNECTICUT

AGENCY FUNDS

COMBINING STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011
(In Thousands)

	<u>Balance</u> <u>July 1, 2010</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deductions</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>June 30, 2011</u>
Student Activity Fund				
Assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 316	\$ 1,039	\$ 939	\$ 416
Investments	<u>213</u>	<u>39</u>	<u>38</u>	<u>214</u>
Total Assets	\$ <u>529</u>	\$ <u>1,078</u>	\$ <u>977</u>	\$ <u>630</u>
Liabilities:				
Fiduciary deposits	\$ <u>529</u>	\$ <u>1,078</u>	\$ <u>977</u>	\$ <u>630</u>
Escrow Deposit				
Assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ <u>1,628</u>	\$ <u>1,910</u>	\$ <u>666</u>	\$ <u>2,872</u>
Liabilities:				
Fiduciary deposits	\$ <u>1,628</u>	\$ <u>1,910</u>	\$ <u>666</u>	\$ <u>2,872</u>
Total All Agency Funds				
Assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,944	\$ 2,949	\$ 1,605	\$ 3,288
Investments	<u>213</u>	<u>39</u>	<u>38</u>	<u>214</u>
Total Assets	\$ <u>2,157</u>	\$ <u>2,988</u>	\$ <u>1,643</u>	\$ <u>3,502</u>
Liabilities:				
Fiduciary deposits	\$ <u>2,157</u>	\$ <u>2,988</u>	\$ <u>1,643</u>	\$ <u>3,502</u>

Statistical Section

Statistical Section Information

The objectives of statistical section information are to provide financial statement users with additional historical perspective, context and detail to assist in using the information in the financial statements, notes to financial statements and required supplementary information to understand and assess economic condition.

Statistical section information is presented in the following categories:

- *Financial trends information* is intended to assist users in understanding and assessing how financial position has changed over time.
- *Revenue capacity information* is intended to assist users in understanding and assessing the factors affecting the ability to generate *own-source revenues* (property taxes, charges for services, etc.).
- *Debt capacity information* is intended to assist users in understanding and assessing debt burden and the ability to issue additional debt.
- *Demographic and economic information* is intended 1) to assist users in understanding the socioeconomic environment and 2) to provide information that facilitates comparisons of financial statement information over time and among governments.
- *Operating information* is intended to provide contextual information about operations and resources to assist readers in using financial statement information to understand and assess economic condition.

The accompanying tables are presented in the above order. Refer to the Table of Contents for applicable page number locations.

Sources: Unless otherwise noted, the information in the tables is derived from the comprehensive annual financial reports for the relevant year.

TOWN OF SOUTHTON, CONNECTICUT

NET ASSETS BY COMPONENT

LAST NINE FISCAL YEARS
(In Thousands)

	FISCAL YEAR								
	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
Governmental Activities:									
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	\$ 104,035	\$ 99,125	\$ 119,767	\$ 112,125	\$ 111,260	\$ 63,374	\$ 65,692	\$ 53,356	\$ 58,590
Restricted	1,032	985	1,023	1,023	980	919	898	890	860
Unrestricted	6,786	1,814	(22,128)	(14,999)	(8,422)	(3,053)	(9,534)	(2,779)	(11,387)
Total governmental activities net assets	111,853	101,924	98,662	98,149	103,818	61,240	57,056	51,467	48,063
Business-type Activities:									
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	47,450	47,103	44,662	33,460	31,564	30,968	30,277	29,922	30,622
Unrestricted	1,585	789	483	1,065	1,648	2,397	2,641	2,302	1,953
Total business-type activities net assets	49,035	47,892	45,145	34,525	33,212	33,365	32,918	32,224	32,575
Primary Government:									
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	151,485	146,228	164,429	145,585	142,824	94,342	95,969	83,278	89,212
Restricted	1,032	985	1,023	1,023	980	919	898	890	860
Unrestricted	8,371	2,603	(21,645)	(13,934)	(6,774)	(656)	(6,893)	(477)	(9,434)
Total Primary Government Net Assets	\$ 160,888	\$ 149,816	\$ 143,807	\$ 132,674	\$ 137,030	\$ 94,605	\$ 89,974	\$ 83,691	\$ 80,638

Notes:

- (1) Schedule prepared on the accrual basis of accounting.
 (2) The Town began to report accrual information when it implemented GASB Statement No. 34 in fiscal year 2003.
 (3) The Town first reported infrastructure assets acquired prior to July 1, 2002 in 2007.

TABLE 2

TOWN OF SOUTHTON, CONNECTICUT

CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

LAST NINE YEARS

(In Thousands)

	FISCAL YEAR								
	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
Expenses:									
Governmental activities:									
General government	\$ 4,176	\$ 4,464	\$ 7,291	\$ 6,627	\$ 5,916	\$ 5,763	\$ 5,935	\$ 5,462	\$ 5,749
Public safety	18,711	17,749	16,047	16,789	12,303	10,391	10,111	9,075	9,370
Public works	9,402	9,712	9,836	10,165	9,388	8,065	5,501	6,757	7,559
Health and welfare	1,047	940	1,024	766	778	760	737	606	490
Human services	1,671	1,477	1,579	1,272	1,229	953	900	890	943
Parks and recreation	1,903	1,994	2,218	1,992	2,124	1,780	1,823	1,778	1,535
Public library	1,844	1,830	1,569	1,303	1,254	1,205	1,185	1,089	1,144
Planning and development	1,245	1,131	785	925	828	917	764	636	730
Employee fringe benefits					3,217	2,591	2,131	1,487	1,827
Education	94,128	92,209	89,694	106,877	81,356	77,447	71,556	67,754	64,117
Interest on long-term debt	1,621	2,060	1,697	1,931	1,697	1,688	2,088	1,264	1,562
Miscellaneous					35	370	80	322	134
Total governmental activities expenses	135,748	133,566	131,740	148,647	120,125	111,930	102,811	97,120	95,160
Business-type activities:									
Sewer	4,999	4,849	4,419	4,284	4,079	3,609	3,110	2,967	2,919
Total primary government expenses	140,747	138,415	136,159	152,931	124,204	115,539	105,921	100,087	98,079
Program revenues:									
Governmental activities:									
Charges for services:									
General government	1,085	1,332	1,323	2,136	2,216	2,582	2,394	1,921	1,470
Public safety	1,250	954	1,318	1,064	817	781	848	737	873
Public works	2,442	2,746	2,894	2,758	2,745	2,654	3,386	2,360	2,206
Education	1,973	1,963	1,972	1,962	1,922	1,750	1,804	1,712	1,574
Other	968	1,061	1,633	738	382	308	296	281	278
Operating grants and contributions	33,906	33,301	31,260	51,074	25,327	24,559	21,531	20,547	21,024
Capital grants and contributions	6,920	8,329	10,897	2,042	7,818	2,806	524	2,814	2,880
Total governmental activities program revenues	48,544	49,686	51,297	61,774	41,227	35,440	30,783	30,372	30,305
Business-type activities:									
Charges for services	4,297	3,727	3,058	2,655	2,256	2,309	2,396	2,310	1,945
Total business activities program revenues	4,297	3,727	3,058	2,655	2,256	2,309	2,396	2,310	1,945
Total primary government program revenues	52,841	53,413	54,355	64,429	43,483	37,749	33,179	32,682	32,250
Net (expense) revenue:									
Governmental activities	(87,204)	(83,880)	(80,443)	(86,873)	(78,898)	(76,490)	(72,028)	(66,748)	(64,855)
Business-type activities	(702)	(1,122)	(1,361)	(1,629)	(1,823)	(1,300)	(714)	(657)	(974)
Total primary government net expense	(87,906)	(85,002)	(81,804)	(88,502)	(80,721)	(77,790)	(72,742)	(67,405)	(65,829)
General revenues and other changes in net assets:									
Governmental activities:									
Property taxes	97,004	92,919	90,440	85,534	81,197	79,172	75,351	67,880	64,884
Grants and contributions not restricted to specific purposes	1,755	2,201	2,128	1,940	2,077	1,917	2,811	1,870	2,551
Unrestricted investment earnings	219	278	369	1,190	1,446	1,230	540	288	303
Miscellaneous				127	66	102	323	420	128
Transfers	(1,845)	(3,689)	(11,981)	(2,947)	(1,670)	(1,747)	(1,408)	(306)	
Total governmental activities	97,133	91,709	80,956	85,844	83,116	80,674	77,617	70,152	67,866
Business-Type Activities:									
Transfers	1,845	3,689	11,981	2,947	1,670	1,747	1,408	306	
Total business-type activities	1,845	3,689	11,981	2,947	1,670	1,747	1,408	306	0
Total primary government	98,978	95,398	92,937	88,791	84,786	82,421	79,025	70,458	67,866
Changes in net assets:									
Governmental activities	9,929	7,829	513	(1,029)	4,218	4,184	5,589	3,404	3,011
Business-type activities	1,143	2,567	10,620	1,318	(153)	447	694	(351)	(974)
Total Primary Government	\$ 11,072	\$ 10,396	\$ 11,133	\$ 289	\$ 4,065	\$ 4,631	\$ 6,283	\$ 3,053	\$ 2,037

Notes:

- (1) Schedule prepared on the accrual basis of accounting
 (2) The Town began to report accrual information when it implemented GASB Statement No. 34 in fiscal year 2003

TOWN OF SOUTHTON, CONNECTICUT
FUND BALANCES, GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS
(In Thousands)

	FISCAL YEAR									
	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002
General Fund:										
Nonspendable	\$ 231	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Assigned	1,347									
Unassigned	13,486									
Reserved		54	426	365	255	414	560	571	561	343
Unreserved		13,196	12,044	9,936	9,112	8,939	7,450	5,368	6,912	8,579
Total General Fund	<u>\$ 15,064</u>	<u>\$ 13,250</u>	<u>\$ 12,470</u>	<u>\$ 10,301</u>	<u>\$ 9,367</u>	<u>\$ 9,353</u>	<u>\$ 8,010</u>	<u>\$ 5,939</u>	<u>\$ 7,473</u>	<u>\$ 8,922</u>
All other governmental funds:										
Nonspendable	\$ 988	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Restricted	1,562									
Committed	1,909									
Unreserved, reported in:		52	44	59	54	51	38	40	34	56
Special revenue funds		2,299	2,562	2,063	2,199	2,208	2,007	1,506	1,468	1,240
Capital projects funds		(21,118)	(9,117)	(5,333)	(7,536)	(2,409)	(10,074)	(3,933)	(11,816)	(5,014)
Permanent funds		878	775	872	826	769	747	725	680	
Total All Other Governmental Funds	<u>\$ 4,459</u>	<u>\$ (17,889)</u>	<u>\$ (5,736)</u>	<u>\$ (2,339)</u>	<u>\$ (4,457)</u>	<u>\$ 619</u>	<u>\$ (7,282)</u>	<u>\$ (1,662)</u>	<u>\$ (9,634)</u>	<u>\$ (3,718)</u>

Note 1: Schedule prepared on the modified accrual basis of accounting

Note 2: Data presented for years prior to the implementation of GASB No. 34 (2003) has not been restated to conform with current governmental funds structure

TOWN OF SOUTHLINGTON, CONNECTICUT
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES, GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS
(In Thousands)

	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	FISCAL YEAR					2002
						2006	2005	2004	2003		
Revenues:											
Property taxes	\$ 97,026	\$ 92,650	\$ 90,440	\$ 85,341	\$ 82,036	\$ 79,246	\$ 74,746	\$ 68,072	\$ 64,360	\$	\$ 62,286
Intergovernmental	39,277	41,267	43,615	55,366	34,901	29,342	24,784	25,087	26,734		35,739
Charges for services	7,592	7,724	7,764	5,135	4,914	4,873	5,071	4,329	4,373		3,242
Income on investments	218	305	369	1,173	1,417		466	250			260
Other revenues	504	559	1,423	3,588	3,387	3,725	4,023	4,079	2,704		3,632
Total revenues	144,617	142,505	143,611	150,603	126,655	118,368	109,090	101,817	98,431		104,899
Expenditures:											
General government	3,265	3,037	3,018	6,030	5,641	5,833	5,405	5,090	4,666		4,322
Police and fire	12,738	12,529	12,538	11,693	12,355	10,785	10,778	9,878	9,178		8,378
Public works	7,188	7,008	8,341	7,469	6,867	7,331	6,970	6,443	6,031		5,840
Health and welfare	880	769	720	786	766	779	739	625	518		536
Human resources	1,387	1,243	1,498	1,280	1,223	916	862	852	905		866
Parks and recreation	1,423	1,570	2,071	1,935	1,946	1,930	1,724	1,656	1,524		1,554
Public library	1,472	1,447	1,594	1,311	1,245	1,184	1,146	1,130	1,130		1,015
Planning and development	877	835	841	829	816	937	779	738	720		690
Miscellaneous	29	77	147	56	35	370	80	322			48
Employee fringe benefits	8,115	7,584	6,920	4,007	3,647	3,057	2,476	2,056	1,811		1,908
Education	93,163	89,674	84,567	103,840	78,249	74,727	69,592	66,426	62,201		58,867
Debt service:											
Principal	4,649	4,767	4,955	4,460	4,530	3,394	4,669	4,123	4,516		4,962
Interest	2,352	1,970	1,126	1,135	1,075	1,610	*	*	*		*
Capital outlay	7,041	21,444	32,083	11,195	13,622	8,799	8,413	10,975	13,440		25,053
Total expenditures	144,528	154,014	160,279	156,526	131,717	121,299	112,639	109,509	106,657		114,539
Excess of revenue under expenditures	89	(11,509)	(16,668)	(5,923)	(5,062)	(2,931)	(3,549)	(7,692)	(8,226)		(9,640)
Other financing sources (uses):											
Refunding bonds issued	8,745										
Premium on refunding bonds	887										
Premium on refunded and escrow agent	(9,515)										
Premium on general obligation bonds	329										
Issuance of notes payable	11,068										
Insurance of capital leases	614										
Bond proceeds	11,945	136	15,440	8,975		2,007	2,240	2,272	4,008		2,731
Transfers in	2,895	2,766	2,912	3,527	1,947	(2,007)	(2,240)	(2,272)	(4,008)		(2,731)
Transfers out	(2,895)	(2,766)	(2,912)	(3,527)	(1,947)						
Total other financing sources	24,073	136	15,440	8,975	-	-	-	-	-		-
Net Change in Fund Balances	\$ 24,162	\$ 780	\$ (1,228)	\$ 3,052	\$ (5,062)	\$ (2,931)	\$ (3,549)	\$ (7,692)	\$ (8,226)		\$ (9,640)
Debt Service as a Percentage of Noncapital Expenditures	5.01%	4.94%	4.78%	3.81%	4.50%	4.44%	4.54%	4.19%	4.69%		5.55%

Notes:

(1) Schedule prepared on the modified accrual basis of accounting

(2) Data presented herein prior to the implementation of GASB No. 34 (2003) has not been restated to conform with current governmental funds structure

* Information currently being developed

TABLE 5

TOWN OF SOUTHLINGTON, CONNECTICUT
ASSESSED VALUE AND ESTIMATED ACTUAL VALUE OF TAXABLE PROPERTY
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS
(In Thousands)

Fiscal Year	Grand List October 1,	Real Property			Personal Property	Motor Vehicle	Less Tax Exempt Property	Total Taxable Assessed Value	Total Direct Tax Rate	Estimated Actual Taxable Value	Assessed Value As a Percentage of Actual Taxable Value
		Residential	Commercial	Industrial							
2011	2009	\$ 3,001,720	\$ 468,372	\$ 109,734	\$ 200,816	\$ 312,881	\$ 77,368	\$ 4,016,155	24.02	\$ 5,737,364	70%
2010	2008	2,979,855	458,561	106,722	195,134	304,191	79,443	3,965,020	23.27	5,664,314	70%
2009	2007	2,955,185	439,931	105,021	186,024	319,488	85,934	3,919,715	23.02	5,599,593	70%
2008	2006	2,926,675	427,816	105,528	178,417	311,761	78,193	3,872,004	21.88	5,531,434	70%
2007	2005	2,904,418	413,986	107,691	178,306	305,784	79,568	3,830,617	21.40	5,472,310	70%
2006	2004	1,922,535	283,482	79,330	170,455	283,889	78,438	2,661,253	29.43	3,801,791	70%
2005	2003	1,887,186	278,006	78,224	166,670	264,203	76,627	2,597,662	28.43	3,710,946	70%
2004	2002	1,854,117	290,791	76,772	170,870	268,291	72,223	2,588,618	26.60	3,698,024	70%
2003	2001	1,808,323	290,017	76,963	168,833	259,815	68,163	2,535,788	25.30	3,622,555	70%
2002	2000	1,442,243	248,571	76,368	166,027	245,735	65,276	2,113,668	28.90	3,019,527	70%

Source: Town of Southington Office of Tax Assessor

Notes:

(1) There is no overlapping taxable property.

(2) Does not include supplemental motor vehicle taxes.

TOWN OF SOUTHTON, CONNECTICUT

PRINCIPAL PROPERTY TAX PAYERS

2011 AND 2003
(In Thousands)

Taxpayer	2011			2003 ⁽¹⁾		
	Taxable Assessed Value	Rank	Percentage of Total Town Taxable Assessed Value	Taxable Assessed Value	Rank	Percentage of Total Town Taxable Assessed Value
Connecticut Light & Power Co.	\$ 54,778	1	1.36%	\$ 28,306	2	1.12%
Lexington Southington LP (formerly Hfid Fire Insurance)	19,188	2	0.48%	9,708	6	0.38%
RK Southington LLC (Galileo Queens Plaza LLC)	15,453	3	0.38%			
Target Corporation	14,498	4	0.36%	7,768	7	0.31%
Yankee Gas	14,157	5	0.35%			
45 Newell Street (Yarde Metals)	14,022	6	0.35%			
Execwest LLC (Lowes Home Improvement)	11,818	7	0.29%			
Widewaters WC5 (Home Depot)	10,850	8	0.27%	10,464	4	0.41%
Hartconn Corporation	10,546	9	0.26%	31,574	1	1.25%
Medex Inc (formerly Johnson & Johnson)	9,323	10	0.23%	7,707	8	0.30%
Chancellor Gardens				7,243	10	0.29%
Central Connecticut Senior Care				12,904	3	0.51%
LXPPL, L.P.				7,301	9	0.29%
Lake Compounce/Kennywood Entertainment				9,817	5	0.39%
Southington Route 10 Associates						
Total	\$ 174,633		4.35%	\$ 132,792		5.24%

Net Taxable Grand List 10/01/2011 of \$4,016,155

Net Taxable Grand List 10/01/2003 of \$2,535,788

(in thousands)

Source: Town of Southington, Office of Tax Assessor

Notes:

(1) Data for the 2002 grand list was not available.

TOWN OF SOUTHLINGTON, CONNECTICUT
PROPERTY TAX LEVIES AND COLLECTIONS
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS
(In Thousands)

Fiscal Year Ended June 30,	Grand List October 1,	Tax Rate In Mills	Taxes Levied For The Fiscal Year	Adjustments		Total Adjusted Levy	Collected Within the Fiscal Year of Levy		Collections In Subsequent Years	Total Collections to Date	
				Amount	Percentage of Levy		Amount	Percentage of Levy		Amount	Percentage of Adjusted Levy
2011	2009	24.02	\$ 96,374	\$		\$ 96,374	\$ 95,119	98.70 %		\$ 95,119	98.70 %
2010	2008	23.27	92,337	79		92,258	90,995	98.55	676	91,671	99.36
2009	2007	23.02	90,298	92		90,206	88,887	98.44	956	89,843	99.60
2008	2006	21.88	84,776	97		84,679	83,662	98.69	904	84,566	99.87
2007	2005	21.40	81,627	126		81,501	80,617	98.76	803	81,420	99.90
2006	2004	29.43	78,877	286		78,591	77,798	98.63	755	78,553	99.95
2005	2003	28.43	74,195	202		73,993	72,967	98.34	1,005	73,972	99.97
2004	2002	26.60	68,598	155		68,443	67,532	98.45	896	68,428	99.98
2003	2001	25.30	64,187	633		63,554	63,118	98.33	427	63,545	99.99
2002	2000	28.90	61,521	196		61,325	60,526	98.38	791	61,317	99.99

TOWN OF SOUTHLINGTON, CONNECTICUT
RATIOS OF OUTSTANDING DEBT BY TYPE
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS
(In Thousands, except per capita)

Fiscal Year	Governmental Activities					Debt Per Capita	
	General Obligation Bonds	Clean Water Fund Loan	Capital Leases	Total Primary Government	Percentage of Actual Taxable Value		Percentage of Personal Income
2011	\$ 61,665	\$ 11,068	\$ 614	\$ 73,347	1.28 %	4.73 %	\$ 1,701
2010	55,166			55,166	0.97	3.60	1,297
2009	59,584		137	59,721	1.07	4.35	1,414
2008	48,596		271	48,867	0.88	3.57	1,160
2007	43,466		399	43,865	0.80	3.19	1,038
2006	47,362		524	47,886	1.26	3.50	1,138
2005	38,581			38,581	1.04	2.84	925
2004	41,259			41,259	1.12	3.07	997
2003	29,945			29,945	0.83	2.25	731
2002	32,875			32,875	1.09	2.62	817

Note: Details regarding the Town's outstanding debt can be found in the notes to the financial statements.

TOWN OF SOUTHTON, CONNECTICUT

SCHEDULE OF DEBT LIMITATION

June 30, 2011
(In Thousands)

Total tax collections (including interest and lien fees) received by Treasurer for current fiscal year	\$	96,963
Reimbursement for loss of revenue:		
Tax relief for elderly - freeze		
Base	\$	<u>96,963</u>

	<u>General Purpose</u>	<u>Schools</u>	<u>Sewers</u>	<u>Urban Renewal</u>	<u>Pension Deficit</u>
Debt limitation:					
2-1/4 times base	\$ 218,167	\$	\$	\$	\$
4-1/2 times base		436,334			
3-3/4 times base			363,611		
3-1/4 times base				315,130	
3 times base					290,889
Total debt limitation	<u>218,167</u>	<u>436,334</u>	<u>363,611</u>	<u>315,130</u>	<u>290,889</u>
Indebtedness:					
Bonds payable	17,968	32,777	10,920		
Bonds authorized - unissued	1,246	4,033	240		
Clean Water Fund Loan			11,068		
Grant commitments		(757)			
Total indebtedness	<u>19,214</u>	<u>36,053</u>	<u>22,228</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Debt limitation in excess of outstanding and authorized debt	<u>\$ 198,953</u>	<u>\$ 400,281</u>	<u>\$ 341,383</u>	<u>\$ 315,130</u>	<u>\$ 290,889</u>

Note 1: In no case shall total indebtedness exceed seven times annual receipts from taxation of \$678.7 million
 Note 2: In accordance with Connecticut General Statutes, the above indebtedness does not include water bonds.
 Note 3: Bonds authorized - unissued includes bond authorizations that have bond anticipation notes outstanding or have previously issued partial permanent financing.

TABLE 10

TOWN OF SOUTHTON, CONNECTICUT

LEGAL DEBT MARGIN INFORMATION

LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS
(In Thousands)

		2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002
Debt limitation		\$ 678,741	\$ 649,404	\$ 631,918	\$ 596,100	\$ 575,500	\$ 555,200	\$ 518,100	\$ 479,100	\$ 449,600	\$ 434,800
Total net debt applicable to limit		77,495	83,766	92,150	81,907	42,819	58,707	57,120	54,344	41,048	31,362
Legal Debt Margin		\$ 601,246	\$ 565,638	\$ 539,768	\$ 514,193	\$ 532,681	\$ 496,493	\$ 460,980	\$ 424,756	\$ 408,552	\$ 403,438
Total Net Debt Applicable to the Limit as a Percentage of Debt Limit		11.42%	12.90%	14.58%	13.74%	7.44%	10.57%	11.02%	11.34%	9.13%	7.21%

Source: Comprehensive Annual Financial Report - Schedule of Debt Limitation

Note: See Table 9 for calculation of current year debt limitation

TOWN OF SOUTHTON, CONNECTICUT
DEMOGRAPHIC AND ECONOMIC STATISTICS
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

Calendar Year	Population (1)	Per Capita Income (2)	Personal Income (3)	Median Age (4)	Public School Enrollment (5)	Unemployment Rate (6)
2011	43,130	\$ 35,956	\$ 1,550,782,280	42.0	6,828	7.50 %
2010	42,534	36,018	1,531,989,612	42.0	6,844	8.00 %
2009	42,250	32,517	1,373,843,250	42.0	6,904	7.10 %
2008	42,142	32,517	1,370,331,414	42.0	6,973	4.70 %
2007	42,249	32,517	1,373,810,733	42.0	6,996	4.00 %
2006	42,077	32,517	1,368,217,809	41.0	6,901	3.60 %
2005	41,723	32,517	1,356,706,791	41.0	6,890	4.30 %
2004	41,397	32,517	1,346,106,249	39.0	6,830	4.60 %
2003	40,943	32,517	1,331,343,531	39.0	6,833	5.10 %
2002	40,227	31,226	1,256,128,302	38.0	6,730	3.80 %

Source:

- (1) State of Connecticut Department of Public Health as of July 1st of Prior Year.
- (2) U.S. Census Bureau, 2005-2009 American Community Survey.
- (3) Personal Income = Population times Per Capita Personal Income.
- (3) State of Connecticut, Department of Economic and Community Development, CT Town Profiles.
- (4) Connecticut Economic Resource Center (CERC), Town Profiles 2011.
- (5) Town of Southington, Board of Education.
- (6) State of Connecticut Department of Labor website Annual Averages. For 2011, June 2011 is utilized as an estimate. Next year it will be replaced with the Annual Average.

TOWN OF SOUTHTON, CONNECTICUT
PRINCIPAL EMPLOYERS
2011 AND 2001

Employer	Nature of Business	2011			2001 ⁽¹⁾		
		Employees	Rank	Percentage of Total Town Employment	Employees	Rank	Percentage of Total Town Employment
Town of Southington	Municipality	1,186	1	4.81%	1,046	3	4.58%
Hartford Insurance Group	Insurance	640	2	2.60%	1,650	1	7.22%
Hospital of Central CT: Bradley Memorial Hospital	Hospital	402	3	1.63%	260	5	1.14%
Yarde Metals	Manufacturing	388	4	1.57%			
Southington Care Center	Health Care Practice	315	5	1.28%			
Smith's Medical (Medex Inc.)	Manufacturing	278	6	1.13%			
The Home Depot	Retail Chain	215	7	0.87%	380	4	1.66%
Wal-Mart	Retail Chain	198	8	0.80%			
Stop & Shop	Retail Chain	179	9	0.73%			
Price Chopper	Retail Chain	170	10	0.69%			
Ideal Forging Corp.	Manufacturing				180	6	0.79%
Lori Lock Corporation	Security Equipment				150	7	0.66%
J J Ryan Corporation	Manufacturing				120	8	0.53%
Johnson & Johnson Medical	Manufacturing				1,250	2	5.47%
Economy Spring and Stamping	Manufacturing				100	9	0.44%
Les Care Kitchens	Manufacturing				100	10	0.44%
Total		3,971		16.11%	5,236		22.92%

(1) FY 2001 statistical information used for comparison; FY 2002 statistical information unavailable for 9-year comparison.

FY 2001 Labor Force 22,843

FY 2011 Labor Force 24,651

Source: Town of Southington, Economic Development Office
Connecticut Department of Labor

TOWN OF SOUTHRINGTON, CONNECTICUT
FULL-TIME-EQUIVALENT TOWN GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES BY FUNCTION/PROGRAM
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

Function/Program	Fiscal Year Ended									
	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002
General government	58	58	57	57	55	52	50	49	49	49
Police	85	85	85	85	79	79	77	76	77	74
Fire	33	33	33	32	33	32	32	32	32	32
Public works	35	35	37	37	37	35	34	33	33	32
Parks and recreation	11	11	13	13	13	13	12	12	12	12
Library and Barnes	20	20	19	19	18	18	18	18	18	18
Education ⁽¹⁾	939	931	904	907	890	871	858	856	855	849
Animal Control	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Sewer plant and office	13	13	12	13	13	12	12	12	12	12
Total	1,196	1,188	1,162	1,165	1,140	1,114	1,095	1,090	1,090	1,080

Notes:

(1) Beginning FY 2010, Education FTEs include food service workers.

Source: Town of Southington Finance Department and Board of Education records.
Town utilized Department of Labor reports as of June 30th.

TOWN OF SOUTHTON, CONNECTICUT
OPERATING INDICATORS BY FUNCTION/PROGRAM
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

Function/Program	FISCAL YEAR									
	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002
General government:										
Building permits issued	1,284	1,210	1,181	1,311	1,464	1,541	1,701	1,594	1,343	1,191
Police:										
Physical arrests	993	1,000	971	1,247	1,265	967	1,049	2,462	1,565	1,267
Parking violations	409	867	1,123	500	892	785	362	492	331	601
Traffic violations	9,972	10,791	9,014	8,923	8,009	7,435	6,607	4,149	4,252	4,673
Fire:										
Emergency responses/Fire calls	2,284	1,808	1,911	2,083	2,058	1,927	1,940	2,036	2,068	1,941
Inspections	2,684	2,592	2,805	1,775	2,381	2,313	2,642	2,170	2,700	3,211
Refuse collection:										
Average refuse collected (tons per day)	121	121	131	146	153	126	117	118	110	102
Average recyclables collected (tons per day)	14	13	11	10	8	11	11	12	11	10
Other public works:										
Street resurfacing (miles)	4	3	4	5	4	5	4	4	5	7
Library:										
Total volumes loaned/Combined lending	701,854	708,039	651,120	572,071	439,685	321,596	307,911	276,957	240,399	253,951
Water:										
New connections	74	84	112	212	127	236	133	171	97	130
Average daily consumption (thousands of gallons)	3,853	3,559	3,929	3,887	4,002	3,950	3,612	3,710	3,760	3,815
Wastewater:										
Average daily sewage treatment (thousands of gallons)	4,070	5,000	5,030	4,690	4,900	5,200	4,420	4,700	4,250	3,620

Source: Town of Southington CAFRs, Annual Reports, and department records.

TOWN OF SOUTHTINGTON, CONNECTICUT
CAPITAL ASSET STATISTICS BY FUNCTION/PROGRAM
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

Function/Program	FISCAL YEAR									
	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002
Police:										
Stations	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Patrol units	22	22	23	21	21	21	21	20	20	20
Fire stations	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
Other public works:										
Streets (miles)	198	198	197	196	195	194	193	190	188	187
Streetlights	4,201	4,173	4,011	4,011	3,973	3,945	3,692	3,692	3,692	3,692
Traffic signals	6	6	6	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
Parks and recreation:										
Acreage	351	351	351	351	351	351	351	351	295	243
Parks	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	9	7
Swimming Pools	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Tennis Courts	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	11	11	11
Water:										
Water mains (miles)	196	196	195	193	190	190	190	190	189	188
Fire hydrants	1,384	1,358	1,345	1,301	1,268	1,268	1,260	1,245	1,225	1,214
Storage capacity (thousands of gallons)	7,000	7,000	7,000	7,000	7,000	7,000	7,000	7,000	7,000	7,000
Wastewater:										
Storm sewers (miles)	139	138	138	137	137	136	135	133	132	131
Treatment capacity (thousands of gallons)	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500

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