

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
Louis Perillo, III	Economic Development Coordinator
Joseph V. Erardi	Education - Superintendent of Schools
James Grappone	Acting Town Engineer
Harold Clark	Fire Chief
Emilia C. Portelinha	Finance Director
Shane Lockwood	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
Frederick W. Rogers	Water Department Acting Superintendent
John DeGioia	Water Pollution Control Superintendent

TOWN OF SOUTHTON
BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS
June 30, 2012

TOWN COUNCIL

9 members - 2 yr. terms to November 2013

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

TOWN MANAGER

DEPUTY TOWN MANAGER/TOWN ATTORNEY

ASSISTANT TOWN ATTORNEY

Garry Brumback
Mark J. Sciota
Gregory Klimaszewski

BOARD OF EDUCATION

9 members - 2 yr. terms

	<u>Nov.</u>
Brian S. Goralski, Chair	2013
Terri C. Carmody, VC	2013
Colleen W. Clark	2013
David J. Derynoski	2013
Patricia P. Johnson	2013
Terry G. Lombardi	2013
Jill Notar-Francesco	2013
Zaya G. Oshana	2013
Patricia A. Queen	2013

BOARD OF FINANCE

6 members - 2 yr. terms

	<u>Nov.</u>
John J. Leary, Chair	2013
Joseph K. Labieniec, VC	2013
Edward S. Pocock, Jr., Sec.	2013
Anthony F. Casale, Jr.	2013
Sandra Feld	2013
Wayne W. Stanforth	2013

PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION

7 members - 4 yr. terms

	<u>Nov.</u>
Michael DelSanto, Chair	2013
Paul Chaplinsky, Jr., VC	2013
Paul Champagne	2015
Kevin Conroy	2015
Steven Kalkowski	2013
James Macchio	2015
James Sinclair	2013

BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

6 members - 4 yr. terms

	<u>Nov.</u>
Thomas J. Murphy, Pres.	2013
Erik E. Semmel, Vice Pres.	2015
Robert M. Berkmoes, Secy.	2015
Michael S. Domian	2015
Gregory A. Klimaszewski	2013
Angelina M. SantaMaria	2013

PZC ALTERNATES

4 members - 4 yr. terms

	<u>Nov.</u>
Jennifer Clock	2013
Ryan P. Rogers	2015
Susan M. Locks	2015
Randall J. Gage	2013

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

2 members - 4 yr. terms, elected

	<u>Jan.</u>
previous November	
Edward M. Malczyk	2013
Robert L. Sherman	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	2015

BOARD OF ETHICS

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

	<u>Aug.</u>
Frank Galante, Chair	2014
Philip Pomposi	2014
Philip Wooding	2012
Craig D. Simms	2013

BOARD OF ETHICS ALTERNATES

2 members - 3 yr. terms

	<u>Aug.</u>
Walter Hushak	2012
Carol Paradis	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	2015

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	2015

BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS

5 members - 4 yr. terms

	<u>Nov.</u>
Stephen C. Pestillo, Chair	2013
Nicholas DePaolo, VC	2015
Richard Montague, Sec.	2014
Elaine Bedard	2012
James Verderame	2014

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

CENTRAL CONNECTICUT**REGIONAL PLANNING AGENCY**

3 members - 2 yr. terms

	<u>May</u>
Rudolph Cabata	2013
James (Rusty) Haigh	2013
John N. Barry	2013

CENTRAL REGIONAL TOURISM**DISTRICT 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 M. Dandrow	2013
Karen E. Cavanaugh, Treas.	2013
Gregg Connolly	2013
Gene R. 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
Gregory Ali	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	2013
Gerald D. Dandrow	2013
Anthony E. D'Angelo	2013
Gene R. Meccariello	2013
Sharon M. O'Brien	2013
Constance C. Proll	2013
David Zoni	2013

ENTERPRISE AND ECONOMIC

DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE (SEED)

13 members - 4 yr. staggered terms

	<u>Sept.</u>
Dana G. Rickard, Chair	2013
Stephen L. Palmieri	2014
David M. Pestillo	2015
Terri C. Carmody	2014
David Cayer	2012
Anthony A. Sheffy	2012
Lucille Cusano	2013
John F. Daly	2014
Michael Ferreri	2012
Stephanie A. Urillo	2015
Louis Perillo	2015
Erik Semmel	2013
Garry Brumback	2015

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
John J. Vey, Jr.	2016
Sharon M. O'Brien	2015

LIBRARY DIRECTORS

9 members - 4 yr. terms

	<u>Nov.</u>
Mary Ellen D'Angelo, Chair	2013
Heidi K. Bittner, Sec.	2015
Patricia Kraut	2015
Marion M. Manware	2015
Frances W. Meade	2013
Robert W. Cusano	2015
Ruth Riccio	2015
Diann J. Thomson	2013
Kelly A. Nichols	2015

OPEN SPACE

ACQUISITION COMMITTEE

8 members - 2 yr. terms

	<u>Nov.</u>
Robert Berkmoes, Chair	2013
Christopher Borowy	2013
Dawn A. Miceli	2013
Stephanie A. Urillo	2013
Paul Champagne	2013
Bonnie Sica	2013
Edward S. Pocock, Jr.	2013
Garry Brumback	2013
Mark J. Sciota, ex ofc	
David Lavallee, ex ofc	

PARKING AUTHORITY

5 members - 5 yr. terms

	<u>Nov.</u>
Michael A. Riccio, Chair	2015
John J. Solury	2012
Dolores Babkirk-Rodrigues	2013
Kelly May DelDebbio	2016
Mathew W. Florian	2014

SENIOR CITIZENS COMMISSION

9 members - 3 yr. terms

	<u>March</u>
Earl Temchin, Chair	2013
Bartolomeo Cammuso	2015
Constance Proll	2014
Marjorie T. Chase	2014
Doris Hanser	2015
Lynn Maschi	2013
Sandra J. Micalizzi	2013
Leonard Marcheselle	2014
Michael Rossi	2015

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

5 members - 4 yr. terms

	<u>Nov.</u>
Robert Salka, Chair	2015
Joseph LaPorte	2015
Bryan M. Wysong	2014
Jeffrey D. Gworek	2014
Matthew J. O'Keefe	2014

ZBA ALTERNATES

4 members - 4 yr. terms

	<u>Nov.</u>
Ronald Bohigian	2015
Paul R. Bedard	2014
Thomas Lombardi	2015
Dee J. Ahern	2015

SELF-INSURANCE COMMITTEE

9 members - 2 yr. terms

	<u>Oct.</u>
Joseph Labieniec, Chair	2013
Jill Notar-Francesco, VC	2013
Patricia Johnson	2013
Terry Lombardi	2013
Cheryl Lounsbury	2013
Al Natelli	2013
John N. Barry	2013
Sandra Feld	2013
Salvatore J. Dominello	2013
Ron Theriault, ex-officio	2013
Emilia Portelinha, ex-officio	2013
Sherri DiNello, ex-officio	2013

PLAINVILLE-SOUTHINGTON REGIONALHEALTH DISTRICT (est. 7/1/11)

7 members

	<u>July</u>
Joseph Marino	2013
Judith Miceli	2013
John N. Barry	2014
Stephanie A. Urillo	2014
Garry Brumback	2012
Robert E. Lee	2013
Charlotte Politis	2014

Town of Southington



Town Council

John C. Dobbins, Chairman
Peter J. Romano, Jr., Vice Chairman
John N. Barry
Cheryl Lounsbury
Louis J. Martocchio
Dawn A. Miceli
Albert A. Natelli, Jr.
Christopher J. Palmieri
Stephanie A. Urtillo

Town Manager

GARRY BRUMBACK
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Honorable Chairman
and Town Council:

It is my great pleasure to submit to our citizens the 46th Annual Report under the Council-Manager plan covering the period July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012.

This year's report will reflect our dedication to good stewardship of our taxpayers' resources and a rededication to providing the best customer service possible. We began this year with a balanced budget that did not use any of our undesignated reserves for the first time in many, many years. The departments went back to basics, focusing their efforts on taking care of our infrastructure, including our road network, many of our facilities and replacing old and worn out vehicles.

In order to provide the best value to our taxpayer dollar, we also engaged in public-private partnerships where possible, the most significant of which was with Yarde Metals to get Aircraft, Newell and Redstone Roads rebuilt.

We continued our history of strong financial foundation which led to, once again, a AA+ rating of Standard and Poor's which allows us to borrow money at the lowest possible rate in order to make best use of the cash we have available to us. This strong financial rating is due to solid management by the department heads, a strong community which is building and developing economically, focusing on the future and the reuse of many facilities that were previously unoccupied. The most important of these was the first of The Hartford buildings on West Street.

While this past year showed our community's resolve during occasional instances of bad weather, we were fortunate to have a mild winter which allowed us to avoid spending a lot of money from our contingency and again focus on the basics that this town expects of its government.

We have a wonderful town government made up of many dedicated professionals committed to providing first class services. We hope you enjoy reading what your departments have accomplished over the course of this past year. We appreciate your support of our government and look forward to serving you in the years ahead.

Very truly yours

TOWN OF SOUTHTON

Garry Brumback
Town Manager

"City of Progress"



Town of Southington

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Brian M. Lastra, Assessor

Patrick Leveille, Deputy Assessor

Department of Assessments Annual Report July 2011 thru June 2012

The 2011-2012 was a very busy year for the department as we assisted with the complete reassessment of all real estate within the town. In general, revaluation is a very time consuming and labor intensive undertaking. I am happy to report that department's hardworking and dedicated employees allowed for a relatively smooth transition through the various phases of the revaluation project. Deputy Assessor Patrick Leveille, along with the office staff of Sandy Berkmoes, Evelyn Cello, and Sheryl Festa, provided patient and courteous service to the many inquiries we received concerning the revised assessments. This group of dedicated and customer service oriented individuals truly made a difference in the public's acceptance and understanding of the revaluation process.

Unfortunately, 2011-2012 marked the retirement of our long-time friend and colleague, Deputy Assessor Patrick Leveille. Patrick was employed by the town for nearly 20 years and was deeply admired by department staff and other town employees for his quiet dedication and professional demeanor. He had a very calming influence over taxpayers and many appreciated his patient explanations of sometimes complicated assessment issues. His presence will certainly be missed throughout Town Hall.

The assessment totals below represent a comparison between the 2010 Grand List and the 2011 Grand List. The Net Taxable Value of the Grand List decreased from \$4,063,217,317 to \$3,714,867,214; a decrease of \$348,350,103 or approximately 8.57%.

Comparison Net Taxable Value

	2010	2011	Change	% Change
Real Estate	3,585,797,902	3,205,535,007	-380,262,895	-10.60%
Motor Vehicles	315,389,412	337,456,466	22,067,054	7.00%
Personal Property	162,030,003	171,875,741	9,845,738	6.08%
Grand Total	4,063,217,317	3,714,867,214	-348,350,103	-8.57%

With respect to real estate, there was a net assessment decrease of 380,262,895 or 10.60%. In general, the decrease is due to the effect of the town's recently completed revaluation with a valuation date of October 1, 2011. Previously, real estate values were based upon market values as of October 1, 2005. The decrease in real estate assessment was expected because the 2005 revaluation was completed before the historic and drastic decline in real estate values that began in 2008.

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

The net assessment of business personal property increased 9,845,738. Some notable increases include Connecticut Light & Power's continued investment in new transmission and distribution equipment which resulted in an assessment increase of approximately \$5.3 million. Business personal property associated with retail activity added significantly to the Grand List. The addition of the BJ's Wholesale Club on Spring Street added approximately \$2.78 million. Shop Rite, another new business added approximately \$2.75 million. Finally, the renovations completed at the Stop & Shop increased their assessment by approximately \$680,000.

With respect to motor vehicles, the total assessment increased by 22,067,054 or 7.00%. Although the number of vehicles on the Grand List decreased slightly from 43,568 to 43,426, I did notice that the number of late model vehicles grew from the previous year. Also, used cars and trucks are holding their resale values well and depreciating less, if at all, from previous years.

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 "Vision," this software provides a view of all property assessment data for any parcel in town plus a building photograph and drawing where applicable.

Southington Top Ten Taxpayers

RANK	PROPERTY OWNER	LOCATION	REAL ESTATE	PERSONAL PROPERTY	TOTAL
1	Connecticut Light & Power	Various	2,170,060	60,085,051	62,255,111
2	Yankee Gas Services Company	Various	63,500	15,091,472	15,154,972
3	45 Newell Street Associates LLC (Yarde Metals Inc)	45 Newell Street	9,620,900	4,799,418	14,420,318
4	Target Corporation	600 Executive Blvd	9,936,340	1,633,936	11,570,276
5	Lexington Southington LP	200 Executive Blvd	10,942,350		10,942,350
6	Execwest LLC (Lowes Home Improvement)	500 Executive Blvd	8,473,630	2,207,512	10,681,142
7	RK Southington	825 Queen Street	10,846,300		10,846,300
8	Twinco Corp (BJs)	75 Spring Street	7,221,740	2,784,617	10,006,357
9	Southington/Route 10 Associates	750 Queen Street	9,360,730		9,360,730
10	Hartconn Corporation	400 Executive Blvd	9,081,840		9,081,840

Respectfully submitted,
 Brian Lastra, CCMA II
 Town Assessor

REPORT OF THE BUILDING INSPECTOR
JULY 1, 2011 THRU JUNE 30, 2012

MONTHLY TOTALS OF ALL FEES

JULY	\$50,960.12
AUGUST	\$45,471.45
SEPTEMBER	\$35,904.11
OCTOBER	\$46,459.69
NOVEMBER	\$42,411.12
DECEMBER	\$48,987.65
JANUARY	\$28,086.88
FEBRUARY	<u>\$41,631.66</u>
MARCH	\$103,170.93
APRIL	\$62,164.82
MAY	63,675.99
JUNE	\$52,301.13
TOTAL	\$621,225.55

Total number of building permits:	3,162 (including mechanicals)
Total number of single family homes:	61
Total number of duplexes:	2
Total number of condos & townhouse:	10 units
Total number of above ground pools:	45
Total number of inground pools:	14



Jim Butler, Building Official

REPORT OF THE BUILDING INSPECTOR
JULY 1, 2011 THRU JUNE 30, 2012

	<u>ESTIMATED COST</u>	<u>BUILDING</u>	<u>ELECTRICAL</u>	<u>PLUMBING</u>	<u>HEATING</u>	<u>CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY</u>
JULY	\$2,093,438.00	\$32,415.00	\$3,390.00	\$1,890.00	\$3,890.00	\$2,400.00
AUGUST	\$3,925,987.00	\$22,315.00	\$2,955.00	\$3,095.00	\$4,320.00	\$2,300.00
SEPTEMBER	\$1,811,510.00	\$18,285.00	\$2,730.00	\$2,375.00	\$3,410.00	\$1,970.00
OCTOBER	\$4,064,810.00	\$28,575.00	\$2,365.00	\$1,690.00	\$4,020.00	\$2,620.00
NOVEMBER	\$2,012,319.00	\$23,605.00	\$2,760.00	\$1,330.00	\$4,430.00	\$2,230.00
DECEMBER	\$2,654,741.00	\$28,175.00	\$3,770.00	\$1,875.00	\$7,075.00	\$2,530.00
JANUARY	\$1,312,744.00	\$12,920.00	\$2,930.00	\$1,450.00	\$3,455.00	\$1,970.00
FEBRUARY	\$2,263,581.00	\$27,290.00	\$3,265.00	\$1,580.00	\$2,595.00	\$1,820.00
MARCH	\$5,748,817.00	\$77,460.00	\$4,005.00	\$1,525.00	\$4,655.00	\$2,420.00
APRIL	\$3,614,008.00	\$33,650.00	\$3,680.00	\$3,675.00	\$3,305.00	\$2,680.00
MAY	\$3,208,366.00	\$33,205.00	\$5,065.00	\$3,235.00	\$5,165.00	\$2,890.00
JUNE	\$2,340,303.00	\$22,520.00	\$6,505.00	\$2,620.00	\$3,970.00	\$2,290.00
	\$26,093,441.00	\$360,415.00	\$43,420.00	\$26,340.00	\$50,290.00	\$28,120.00
	<u>SWIMMING POOLS</u>	<u>BOARD OF APPEALS</u>	<u>ZONING REGS & MAPS</u>	<u>PLANNING & ZONING</u>	<u>SUB DIVISION</u>	<u>LOT LINE ADMINISTRATIVE</u>
JULY	\$90.00	\$780.00	\$0.00	\$230.00	\$480.00	\$100.00
AUGUST	\$165.00	\$1,040.00	\$0.00	\$2,850.00	\$760.00	\$100.00
SEPTEMBER	\$400.00	\$780.00	\$0.00	\$1,100.00	\$330.00	\$0.00
OCTOBER	\$0.00	\$520.00	\$0.00	\$1,530.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
NOVEMBER	\$0.00	\$260.00	\$0.00	\$3,690.00	\$330.00	\$100.00
DECEMBER	\$0.00	\$780.00	\$0.00	\$610.00	\$0.00	\$200.00
JANUARY	\$0.00	\$520.00	\$0.00	\$840.00	\$830.00	\$0.00
FEBRUARY	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,910.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
MARCH	\$600.00	\$520.00	\$0.00	\$4,200.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
APRIL	\$1,340.00	\$1,300.00	\$0.00	\$3,640.00	\$1,280.00	\$0.00
MAY	\$3,035.00	\$1,820.00	\$0.00	\$2,980.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
JUNE	\$1,390.00	\$520.00	\$0.00	\$3,620.00	\$330.00	\$0.00
TOTALS	\$7,020.00	\$8,840.00	\$0.00	\$27,200.00	\$4,340.00	\$700.00

REPORT OF THE BUILDING INSPECTOR
JULY 1, 2011 THRU JUNE 30, 2012

	<u>HOME OCCUPATION</u>	<u>INLAND WETLAND</u>	<u>REINSPECTION FEES</u>	<u>ZONING PERMITS</u>	<u>STATE FEES</u>	<u>MISC. FEES</u>
JULY	\$0.00	\$320.00	\$200.00	\$4,080.00	\$695.12	\$0.00
AUGUST	\$0.00	\$590.00	\$800.00	\$3,120.00	\$1,021.45	\$40.00
SEPTEMBER	\$130.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,920.00	\$474.11	\$0.00
OCTOBER	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,080.00	\$1,053.69	\$6.00
NOVEMBER	\$0.00	\$160.00	\$31.05	\$2,960.00	\$525.07	\$0.00
DECEMBER	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,280.00	\$692.65	\$0.00
JANUARY	\$0.00	\$160.00	\$0.00	\$2,640.00	\$340.38	\$31.50
FEBRUARY	\$0.00	\$110.00	\$200.00	\$2,240.00	\$586.66	\$35.00
MARCH	\$0.00	\$160.00	\$25.00	\$6,000.00	\$1,495.93	\$5.00
APRIL	\$0.00	\$430.00	\$0.00	\$6,240.00	\$944.82	\$0.00
MAY	\$0.00	\$160.00	\$400.00	\$4,800.00	\$820.99	\$0.00
JUNE	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$425.00	\$7,440.00	\$610.43	\$60.50
TOTALS	\$130.00	\$2,090.00	\$2,081.05	\$50,800.00	\$9,261.30	\$178.00



CALENDAR HOUSE
TOWN OF SOUTHTON
SENIOR CENTER
388 PLEASANT STREET
SOUTHTON, CONNECTICUT 06489
TELEPHONE 621-3014

ANNUAL REPORT FY-2011/12

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.

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, the Membership Association 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 2011-2012, providing insight and information regarding this community asset.

The Center's membership continues to grow, with **7,126** members registered as of June 30, 2012.

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 August 27, the Connecticut Safety Agency activated the Connecticut ALERT system advising that Tropical Storm Irene was predicted to hit the state within 24 hours. Advance warning enabled Town Officials and First Responders to mobilize the Calendar House staff and C.E.R.T. (CT Emergency Response Team), keeping everyone apprised of the situation. "Irene" hit on Sunday, August 27th with drenching rain and high winds, flooding roads, downing trees and causing power outages in some areas of the town. A significant shift in the storm's path spared us from extensive damage and the shelter was kept open approximately 24 hours. In early September, an Emergency Drill was conducted by the Town Health Department to determine the ability to distribute food, water, ice and tarps in the event of a major disaster, such as tornado, hurricane, ice or significant snow storm. The drill was successful; however, little did anyone suspect that the Town would be severely stretched within a few weeks by a major disabling event. An early autumn storm dumped significant snow onto trees with full foliage, creating havoc in the region.

With the arrival of "Storm Alfred" on Saturday, October 29th, the Calendar House Senior Center was activated as the primary shelter. Previous events had been short term, measured in hours; "Storm Alfred" necessitated the first long term experience, as the Center remained open 24/7 from Saturday, October 29th until Sunday, November 6th. Some three hundred individuals and families

stayed overnight, some for the entire week, sleeping on Red Cross cots. Over 2,000 meals were served. The community response was inspirational with individuals volunteering to serve and businesses donating resources. Critical and effective coordination, communication and cooperation provided by Town Officials, Town Departments including Town Hall, Police and Fire Departments, Senior Center, Library, Community Services; as well as organizations such as the American Red Cross, CERT and others, ensured public safety and provided assistance to residents without power, heat and/or basic necessities. Southington's "Community Preparedness Plan" has been proven and will continue to develop to ensure the safety of our residents. The foresight and efforts dedicated to this effort is greatly appreciated.

During fiscal year 2011/12, July 1st through June 30th, our Dial-A-Ride buses provided Southington residents age 55 and older and disabled individuals **14,363** one way rides, averaging **1,197** one way rides per month, with a record high of **1,635** one way rides during the month of May 2012! In six of the twelve months, the number of rides exceeded **1,430**. These figures include **6,181** rides to medical appointments in-town and **1,096** 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. Transportation was also provided during emergency incidents, including individuals weathering "Storm Alfred" at the emergency shelter, back to their homes and/or alternate locations, such as area hotels.

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 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. With funding through the State Matching Grant Program reduced 25% by Governor Malloy's budget cuts, continued efforts to maximize resources and the support of the taxpayers and provision of the Town, have enabled the service to continue and expand.

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, introduction to beading 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 20th on a beautiful, sunny afternoon! 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 four 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, enthusiastic ping pong players who have participated in tournaments with other senior centers, and dedicated pool players.

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 Calendar House members, with over one hundred attending. Calendar House seniors were also given an invitation to attend a special performance of "Seussical the Musical", performed by students of both DePaolo and Kennedy Middle School. Transportation was made available by our Dial-a-ride service.

Calendar House continued 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 SHS VoAg assembled fifty fresh cut floral bouquets that were delivered to residents of the four senior housing sites. The Southington YMCA pre-school class created hand-made greeting cards that were presented with the bouquets.

Community Services and Bread for Life sponsored an Annual Spring Luncheon in June at the First Congregational Church. Calendar House sold 80 tickets and provided bus transportation to and from the venue.

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: "Sugar Tips: Diabetes, Detection & Prevention"; "Low Vision"; "Breast Health & Lymphedema Prevention"; "Escape the Flu & Cold Season-Avoid Infections, Get a Flu Shot"; "Fire Prevention"; "Dealing with Stress"; "Elder Law" with Attorney Allaire; "Meet Your State Senator" with Senator Joe Markley; "Meet the Nurse" introducing our new RN Clinician, Connie Smith; "Osteoporosis & You--you don't have to lie down & take it!"; "Unraveling the

Probate Process Maze” with Judge Matthew Jalowiec; and “Nutritional Workshop”. 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 7th year, continues to keep us busy. A steady flow of people still come to Calendar House for assistance in getting on the program. 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. Training workshops and webinars (on-line instruction) were offered for staff. 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.

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 four 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.

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. Twice each month 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. Beginning in May, Tori was replaced by Connie Smith, R.N. 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.

In cooperation with the Southington Fire Department, the Southington Police Department and the Commission on DisAbilities, Calendar House provided information and compiled an emergency listing of individuals with special needs requiring assistance in the event of an emergency situation. A "Special Needs Registry" will be maintained by the SFD.

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 **420** 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 360** 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.

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.

Calendar House social events during the year included: Italian Night, the Annual Holiday Party at the Aqua Turf, a Valentine's Day Celebration; St. Patrick's Day Luncheon & Cultural Program; and Country Western Night. Several "Make-your-own Ice Cream Socials" were enjoyed by enthusiastic members! "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 eighth annual Pig Roast. Both events included entertainment as well as horseshoes and bocce.

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 Wallingford and West Hartford. Calendar House continues to benefit from the generous donation of a new T.V. and additional Wii console. The addition of a new ping-pong table has proved to be popular with ping-pong sessions are held three times weekly.

In conjunction with the Southington Public Library, a four part book discussion series, entitled "At Bat: Biographies About Baseball Greats" was facilitated by writer David Barnes. Two sessions were held at Calendar House, with the other two conducted at the Library.

"Our Life Stories-Sharing Our Cultures & Experiences", a four week group social program, designed and implemented by CCCI BSW Intern Melissa Moroski, under the guidance of Program Coordinator Sharyn Murphy provided a unique opportunity for participants to share family customs, traditions and ways of life as they experienced them. This was one of the most successful group programs we have had evidenced by the high level of participation.

Without question, among our most valuable resources are the members. They provide encouragement, inspiration and assistance. Volunteering in countless ways they support and enable activities, programs and projects contributing their time, talents and skills in many areas. Active participation provides meaningful involvement and mutual benefit.

The Membership Association 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. Entertainment offerings included: Nick DeLuco & the Troubadours; pianist Linda Wentz "Celebrating Liberace"; the "Dean Martin & Marilyn Monroe" Christmas Show; DePaolo Middle School Band, Chorus and Orchestra; Bob Mel; and Ray Scott. Our June membership meeting had a fantastic turn out for the opportunity to hear from our Town Manager, Mr. Garry Brumback.

Calendar House sponsors a variety of day and extended trips throughout the year. Some of these trips included: "Joseph" at Sight 'n Sound in Lancaster, PA & Philadelphia"; "Luck O' The Irish at La Renaissance, E. Windsor, CT; "Vicki Lawrence" at Foxwoods; Chinatown, NYC; "Jonah" at Sight 'n Sound, Lancaster, PA and Gettysburg; "Mary Poppins" on Broadway, NYC and the Christmas Tree Shop & Hometown Buffet, Manchester CT. Trip Presentations were offered: "The Ultimate Alaska & Yukon Experience" and the "Great Train & Grand Canyon Adventure".

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 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. 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. This past year, we hosted the Southington Community Theatre's production, which was a major event with extensive set design, lighting and staff involvement.

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 2011/12 the Center served **7,861** meals over **241** days. This is an average of **33** 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.

The Elderly Volunteer Work Program has completed its eleventh 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 used 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,

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Annual Report
July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012

**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, five part-time employees, and 50 volunteers. Mark Fazzolari recently joined our staff as the new Community Service Assistant. The five part-time employees are Tom Atterrato, Tess Drezek, Laura Erickson, Mel Schab, and Camika Williams. Volunteers are an essential part of SCS and are vital to the operation. They have donated a total of 12,478 hours this year. SCS has experienced a very challenging year. With our dedicated staff and volunteers, we have accomplished what was needed to assist those with needs during these difficult times. Listed below are some of the services provided:

Food

The Community Food Pantry distributes approximately 1,600 bags of groceries a month. We are always looking for food donations to help us maintain the inventory necessary to support those in need. SCS continually looks for groups or individuals to hold food drives. In addition to staple foods, frozen meats are available; Tops, Target, Shop Rite and Stop & Shop, partnered with FoodShare and SCS, to bring in frozen meat weekly at no cost to us. Price Chopper, Stop & Shop and Tops provided grocery bags to the Community Food Pantry at no charge.

Eligibility: Southington residents, who have been determined eligible by the guidelines set by FoodShare, must also show proof of residency each year.

Pantry Hours: The pantry is open Monday through Friday from 8:30am to 4:15pm. Hours are extended on an individual basis for those who cannot make it down during normal business hours. No appointment is necessary for the food pantry. Arrangements can be made with Bread For Life for food delivery to homebound seniors. We also refer homebound clients to Bread For Life for meal delivery.

Food Items Needed: Food items that are always needed include: tuna fish, canned meats, cereal, peanut butter, jelly, juice, macaroni and cheese, soup, children's snacks and pasta sauce.

Nonfood Items Needed: Nonfood items that are always need include: shampoo, conditioner, soap, laundry detergent, toothpaste, tooth brushes, lotions and shaving supplies.

We participated in the following yearly food drives, however, not limited to:

- Alzheimer's Resource Center of CT
- American Legion Auxiliary Kiltonic Unit 72
- ARC of Southington
- Branford Hall Career Institute
- Debbie & Bill Leonard (Christmas Wishes)
- Dave Salvatore brings a truck full of groceries four to five times a year
- DePaolo Junior National Honor Society
- Grant Chiropractic Health Center, LLC
- Heart Strings
- Harvest Food Drive, sponsored by the Rotary Club of Southington
- Hospital of Central Connecticut – Bradley Memorial
- Hospital of Central Connecticut - New Britain
- Interact Club
- Key Club
- Lincoln College of New England
- Margaret C. Griffin Child Development Center of Southington
- Renegade Pigs (a Motorcycle Group that donates turkeys during the holidays)
- Mr. & Mrs. Howard Burke – 14 Lovely Dr., Plantsville
- Mulberry Garden of Southington
- Omega Communications
- Orchards at Southington
- Postal/United Way of Southington
- Raya Clinic
- ReMax Professionals Real Estate – Dave Alfano
- Rogers Orchards
- Serafino's Pharmacy, Inc.
- Soccer "Kicks Back" sponsored by the Southington Youth Soccer League Coordinators and the Southington Soccer Club Board members.
- Spring Lake Food Drives, sponsored by the residents of Spring Lake Village
- Sons of Italy
- Southington Boy Scouts
- Southington Care Center
- Southington-Cheshire Community YMCA
- Southington Churches
- Southington Citizen
- Southington Clergy Association
- Southington Fire Department
- Southington Girl Scouts
- Southington Highway Department, Parks Department & Water Pollution Department – AFCME members
- Southington Library and Museum
- Southington private schools
- Southington PTOs
- Southington Public Schools
- Stop and Shop food drives
- Stop & Shop - "Food For Friends"
- Summit of Plantsville
- Uptown Consignment
- Walter & Bette Bailey

An educational senior luncheon is held yearly, in partnership with the Calvanese Foundation, Bread For Life, Stuart Estra, United Way of Southington, Calendar House, Southington Cares and Southington Housing Authority. The site we use can only accommodate 200 and we sell out each year. We plan to move this function to a larger venue.

Once a month, our office becomes 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 fourth year SCS sponsored the Connecticut Farmer's Market in Plantsville. The Market is located on 991 South Main Street in Plantsville. The property is owned by Gary Saucier, who continues to offer his space at no cost. The Market is open from 3:00pm to 6:00pm every Friday, from mid-July to mid-late October.

Energy Assistance

A total of 528 families received assistance this year. A total of 450 families received assistance for the federal energy programs through SCS and 78 families received assistance through the SCS energy assistance programs.

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 energy assistance:

- Last four (4) weeks' pay stubs of everyone in the household
- Social Security numbers and dates of birth of everyone in the household
- Full 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

Assistance with State Programs and Forms

SCS is an Earn Benefits site in coordination with the 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 a single 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)

Housing

Seventy-eight (78) families were assisted with housing issues.

- **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 school supplies. This program was successfully coordinated for the fourth year by two (2) Southington High School students - Ashley Zerbe and Melissa Reid. In August of 2011 a total of 330 students received backpacks filled with new school supplies, a gift card to be used for additional school supplies and a gift certificate for a haircut. This will be Ashley's and Melissa's last year. "The Giving Back Girls", a group sponsored by the ARC of Southington, will take on this project.
- **Summer School Classes:** SCS paid for 15 classes for Southington students to attend required summer classes in the summer of 2011.
- **Can For Can:** A fundraiser started by six (6) Kennedy Middle School students who collected returnable bottles and cans, cashed them in, went shopping with coupons and purchased perishable and non-perishable food items. They continued at Thanksgiving time and collected three (3) grocery carts of items for Thanksgiving baskets. The students - Abby Alfieri, Bianca D'Amore, Lyndsey Giudice, Morgan Maccione, Kristen Mathew and Jillian Noli - were inspired by their teacher, Mr. Dinello. He emphasized the impact teamwork could have on their community with food drives. The group has continued to volunteer at SCS.

- DePaolo Middle School Community Service Club – after school club sponsored by SCS promoting students to do service.
- SCS is a site for Southington students to do their community services hours.

Tax Assistance

SCS is an HRA (Human Resources Association) of New Britain, Inc. Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) site. Qualified Southington residents can make an appointment for income tax assistance at no cost. The VITA Program offers free tax help for low to moderate income individuals who cannot prepare their own tax returns. IRS certified volunteers from Connecticut Association for Human Services receive training to help prepare basic tax returns. Fifty-two (52) residents were assisted with their taxes in the spring of 2012.

Holiday Programs

SCS accepts donations of food and gifts throughout the year to assist qualified Southington residents during holiday times. New items are used for Christmas events and Easter baskets. Businesses, civic groups, churches, families and individuals can adopt one person or a family to ensure that holidays are enjoyed by all Southington residents. The donor and the recipient never meet. SCS acts as the go-between. Interested parties can call SCS (860.628.3761) from July 1st up to mid-December to adopt a senior, a child or a family.

The Southington Police Department held their yearly toy drive at Wal-Mart on December 10th, with the help of a fifth grade class from William Strong Elementary School.

Received our annual bags for holiday meals from Chief John F. Daly and CPCA (Connecticut Police Chiefs Association).

Items needed to apply for holiday programs:

- Proof of income
- Proof of residency
- Thanksgiving Food Baskets: 495 baskets (1,180 individuals) were distributed in 2011.
- Christmas Food Baskets: 563 baskets (1,379 individuals) were delivered in 2011.
- 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 The 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. They also enjoyed a family supper sponsored by the Rotary Club of Southington, SCS and the Calendar House. The space we utilize at the Calendar House has become too small for this event. We are making plans to move this popular event to the High School cafeteria.
- Christmas Gifts: 1,456 Southington individuals (588 families) were adopted in 2011.
- Children's Easter Baskets: 332 baskets (136 families) were distributed in 2012.

Camp Programs

- CONNRI Lodge: Dance City in the Arts, the Calvanese Foundation and the Southington Parks and Recreation Department sponsored a Holiday Show in order to send fifty-five (55) seniors for one week at CONNRI (Connecticut and Rhode Island) Lodge (a four-day overnight senior camp).
- Camp CONNRI: The American Legion Auxiliary sponsored "Touch A Truck" for the 10th year and donated funds for twenty-five (25) children to attend Camp CONNRI (a five-day overnight children's camp) in Ashford, CT.
- Southington Parks and Recreation Day Camp: SCS qualified approximately twenty (10) Southington children for a discount at the local summer camp.
- Southington sports programs: SCS qualified approximately fourteen (14) Southington children who could otherwise not have participated in the sports programs.

Kristen's Klostet

The "Klostet", named after Kristen Warner, holds items that residents can take at no cost. "Kristen's Klostet" contains various items, such as clothing, toys and household items. If they cannot find items that are needed, we then put their names on a "wish list" and make every effort to fulfill their needs. "Kristen's Klostet" is sponsored solely by donations from the community. A special thanks, this year, to Uptown Consignment for their weekly donations to "Kristen's Klostet." SCS accepts donations of clothing, household items, toys and shoes year round. We also accept furniture donations when there is a known need.

We were able to furnish over three apartments this year because of the generosity of the community. Pam DePaolo, from DePaolo's Furniture Store, generously donated new items to three residents in 2011/2012.

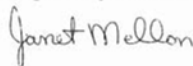
SCS was an active member or involved in:

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| • ARC | • Margaret Griffin Child Development Center |
| • Bread For Life | • Main Street Community Foundation |
| • CLASS (Connecticut Local Administrators of Social Service) | • Parents 4 Change |
| • Community Foundation of Greater New Britain | • RSVP (Retired & Senior Volunteer Program) |
| • CONNRI Lodge | • Salvation Army |
| • FHACT (Fair Housing Association of Connecticut) | • Southington-Cheshire Community YMCA |
| • FoodShare | • Southington Clergy Association |
| • Giving Back Girls | • United Way of Southington |
| • Greater Southington Chamber of Commerce | • Village of Plantsville Association |
| • Joe & Kay Calvanese Foundation | • WIC (Women, Infants & Children) |
| | • Winifred House |

Three foundations, established in 2011, for SCS are:

- **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 Town of Southington. The interest from this fund will be used for charitable purposes. It is limited to such things as food and clothing, energy assistance, rental assistance, medical assistance and school related needs. The fund balance as of June 30, 2012 was \$14,200.
- **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 and will provide school supplies which will be distributed through SCS. Fund balance as of June 30, 2012 was \$12,500.
- **Kristen's Wishes:** This fund was established at the Main Street Community Foundation in memory of Kristen Warner. This fund fulfills a variety of "wishes" for youth in our community, which will be distributed through SCS. The fund balance as of June 30, 2012 was \$12,087.

Respectfully Submitted,



Janet Mellon

Director of Southington Community Services

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2011-2012 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 10 wetland applications were filed during the Fiscal Year 2011-2012. During this period, a favorable recommendation was given to 7 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 2011-2012 fiscal year is listed above.

Respectfully Submitted,

David Lavallee
Environmental Planner/ Inland Wetland Administrator
Conservation Commission/ IW Agency



Town of Southington, Economic Development ANNUAL REPORT, 2011-2012

The Town of Southington and the Economic Development Office remained proactive and optimistic during the fiscal year of 2011-2012. Activity gains were seen within the heavy industrial and manufacturing, retail, restaurant and hospitality service industries as well as the medical office sector. Our attempts to advance new developments were successfully implemented with the benefit of the STEAP Grant award for Triano Drive and the various new companies relocating to Southington, as well as the additional space added to existing facilities with the effective use of abatements as incentives. Interest continues along a range of business including manufacturing, retail and service industries and is evident with Yarde Metal's addition of a new 150,000 sf manufacturing facility 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 SRS National building a 25,000 sf trucking facility.

The Southington Downtown Renaissance effort continues its progress with the addition of new restaurants including Mainly Seafood and Carmin's. 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. 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 completed 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. HQ Landscaping redevelopment of the former contaminated site

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

- 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
- Lazy Lane Industrial LLC's 25,000 sf heavy industrial facility on Lazy Lane
- Yard Metals 150,000 sf manufacturing facility on Newell Street
- Library Parking Lot Expansion Project provided in part by \$222,500 STEAP Grant

- \$250,000 STEAP Grant - Triano Drive
- \$250,000 STEAP Grant – Aircraft Road, Newell and Redstone Streets
- US Passport Application service
- Networking Breakfast Banking Symposium Event
- Southington High School Manufacturing and Construction Career Expo committee member
- FIPCO redevelopment
- HQ Landscaping redevelopment
- Briad Development of Hilton Garden Suites Hotel
- UCONN Medical Office 29,000 sf building on West Street
- \$100,000 EPA Assessment Grant for the Former Beaton & Corbin site

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



SOUTHINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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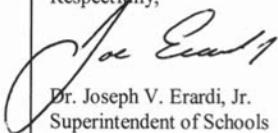
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Garry Brumbuck
Town Manager
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Dear Garry,

Enclosed you will find the Superintendent's Annual Report for 2011-2012. The Board of Education approved this report at their regular Board meeting held last evening.

Respectfully,


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

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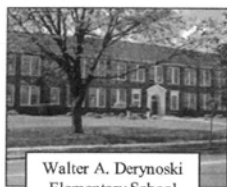
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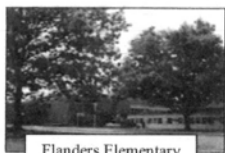
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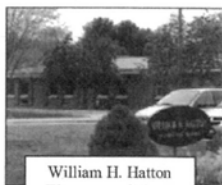
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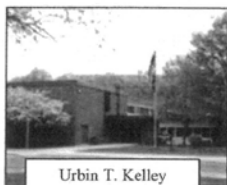
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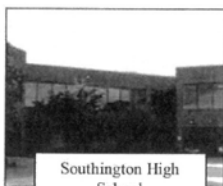
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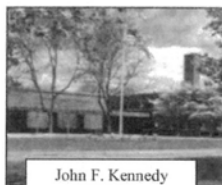
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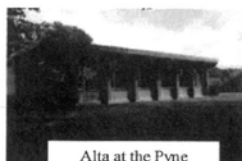
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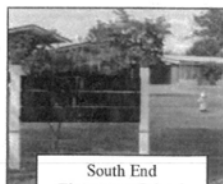
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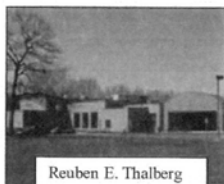
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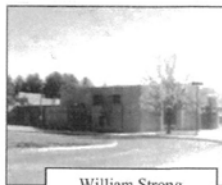
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Elementary School



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William Strong
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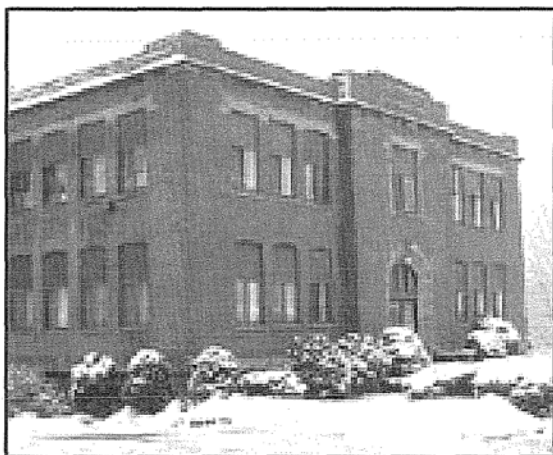
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Superintendent's Executive Summary

SUPERINTENDENT'S EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Southington Public Schools had an extraordinary 2011-2012 school year!

Despite the continued struggle with the economy and the nation's challenge of finding meaningful employment for its workforce, the town of Southington's commitment to their next generation of leaders was strongly demonstrated by:

- Retaining all staff and enhancing K-12 programming;
- Supporting an Extended All-Day Kindergarten program opportunity for youngsters in need of readiness skills;
- Passing, by well over a 2-to-1 margin, the successful \$85,000,000 Renovate-to-New Middle School Building Project;
- Making a strong commitment to the upgrade of the district's technology infrastructure.

The private funding stream from *The Community Foundation of Greater New Britain* was instrumental in the continued growth of the Family Resource Center. The Family Resource Center, the Extended Day Kindergarten program, combined with the Early Childhood Collaborative partnership remains the foundation of readiness for all children in Southington.

The four-year literacy partnership with Columbia University continues to show strong measures of success as Grade K-8 scores improved for the fifth consecutive school year. Under the leadership of the Assistant Superintendent and the Language Arts Coordinator, Southington schools continue to be recognized as a learning laboratory within the state of Connecticut.

The district's middle schools went through an extensive long-term feasibility study that resulted in specifications that will serve youngsters with a state-of-the-art education for many years to come. Detailed facility planning was built around the core of the middle school teaming concept. In addition, extensive Grade 8 rigor and relevance work was analyzed by school leaders and the Board of Education aligning students to better transition from middle school to Southington High School.

Southington High School continued to implement the recommendations from the 2010 self-study done by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges. Significant leveling changes will be in place for all students for the 2012-2013 school year. In addition, the Board of Education enthusiastically endorsed an expanded selection of Advanced Placement (AP) courses and continued to support the regionalization of Alta, the district's Alternative High School.

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 2011-2012 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.

Partnerships were highlighted by school and town officials continuing to collaborate on the closing of the present Board of Education administrative building and the renovation of North Center School. Innovative, cost saving planning will result in the 49 Beecher Street property being sold, and the Board of Education administrative staff moving with town offices into the now empty North Center School.

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School alliances were, once again, expanded as stakeholders did extraordinary work to support school funding and student safety. The 2011-2012 school year found every Grade 4 youngster being offered multiple authentic learning opportunities at Camp Sloper as the Southington Education Foundation underwrote a Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) initiative. In addition, the Southington Education Foundation supported classroom innovation with gifts in excess of \$25,000.

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) and with the Southington Drug Task Force.

Through private donations, the school board launched their Grade K-12 Before School Breakfast Program to all students.

Celebration was continuous throughout the year as students were recognized on the state, regional, and national level. Staff recognition was highlighted by Justin Mirante, the Technology Department Chair at Southington High 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 recognizing scholarship and leadership of students, staff, and parents by celebrating the Scholars' Luncheon at Southington High School and hosting the second annual Parent Volunteer Luncheon.

Due to the continued sluggish economy, the Southington Board of Education worked hard to maintain and enhance cost-saving and cost-avoidance measures that allowed the Board to present to elected officials a nearly flat funded operational plan for 2012-2013 school year. The Board continued to be recognized throughout the state for innovative practice. Their work included:

- Contracting the services of a grant writer who has brought numerous awards into the district;
- Encouraging community members to assist with funding by embracing the Southington Education Foundation;
- Moving from "conversation to practice" with cost savings pertaining to shared services as the Municipal Center is set to open in July 2012;
- Empowering parent groups to assist with cultural and enrichment opportunities;
- Re-negotiating a three-year contract with the Southington AFSCME (Secretaries, Custodians, Maintenance and Food Service) bargaining group that resulted in a zero percent (0%) increase to their wage schedule for the 2011-2012 school year.

Southington can be any town or community in Connecticut or this nation. However, it is not. Southington remains a very special community that demonstrates public school support by electing intelligent community leaders who truly care about the well-being of 7,000 youngsters...one student at a time.

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**Assistant Superintendent
Instruction and Learning**

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT OF CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

Curriculum, Instruction, and Learning: 2011-12:

The summer of 2011 resulted in administrative planning for "Leading Continuous Improvement" throughout the Southington Public Schools. The district Mission Statement drove our work: *Students engage 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.* We successfully merged the 1999 and 2010 versions of the Common Core of Teaching (CCT) with our Mission Statement. This resulted in administrators using the same rubric for classroom observations including informal walk-through visits. This consistency ensured that the district mission was fully implemented within all learning environments.

The book, The Orange Revolution, formed the basis of retreat professional development discussions about how one leadership team has the ability to transform an organization.

Each school further developed their Continuous School Improvement Plans based primarily upon the result of the Connecticut Mastery Test (CMT) and the Connecticut Academic Performance Test (CAPT). Plans were translated from district to school to classroom. Teachers created and implemented individual professional growth plans based upon both formal and informal data and those plans formed individual teacher's goals for 2011-12. Improvement plans also included themes of school safety and community outreach.

The district continued partnerships with Columbia Teachers College, Capital Region Education Council (CREC), State Education Resource Center (SERC) and the Center for Educational Change. Through these partnerships, teachers and administrators benefitted from professional development in the areas of English-Language Arts and Mathematics Common Core learning, Scientifically Researched Based Instruction/Early Intervention (SRBI-EIP), and Systems Change. We remained a site for Columbia Teachers College with K-5 classes once again forming the basis for the successful implementation of the Readers and Writers Workshop models of instruction. Middle school English-Language Arts teachers joined with social studies teachers to discover ways to improve the integration of both subjects. Similar high school work began during this school year.

Students benefitted from a multitude of hands-on science learning experiences that ranged from creating science projects to trips to Camp Sloper for an outdoor learning classroom. Teachers volunteered to participate to create science lessons that will be implemented at Camp Sloper as a result of a partnership with the Southington YMCA and the Southington Education Foundation.

Southington High School continues to implement recommendations from the NEASC report. As such, many committees have been formed for the purpose of creating teacher leaders, implementing a successful early intervention program, condensing from four to three academic levels, and studying the use of time within the high school day. High school world language staff has reached out into the elementary schools to pilot "language exposure programs" in two settings. The high school continues to represent a comprehensive learning experience for all students.

Transition Committee:

The work of the Grade 8 to 9 Transition Committee expanded to include topics related to English-Language Arts. We held three "Transition Talks" meetings that resulted in partnerships with all Grade 8 and Grade 9 teachers.

Extended Day Kindergarten Program:

An Extended Day Kindergarten Program was created this year that resulted in 60 district children attending one of two schools for the equivalent of a full day experience. Preliminary results show that this intervention practice greatly enhanced the readiness levels of all who were invited to participate.

Technology Learning:

Technology learning continued as all teachers and administrators continued to learn about how to incorporate current technology into learning environments. Through creative grant writing, the generosity of a community sponsor, and Board of Education funding, we are increasing and improving the technology that will be found within all classrooms. Our Technology Department continued to offer professional development to all staff on a variety of computer programs and uses. As a result of the work of the Technology Department, a majority of Grade 3 teachers piloted a computerized report card for the last marking period.

Professional Rounds:

Professional Rounds continued this year with the goal of visiting classrooms using our newly developed observational tool that merged the Mission Statement with the CCT. Our content focus was in the area of writing as this continues to be a primary content improvement area across the district.

Summary:

There are many highlights of the 2011-12 school year that may not be reflected in this general overview. However, the reader should know that a true highlight for the Assistant Superintendent of Schools for Instruction and Learning as I completed my first year in this role is that there is a healthy sense of pride and team that exists within our district. Everyone wants to do what is best for all students in all settings. We truly have a professional staff.

Instructionally Looking Ahead: 2012-13:

The following themes are examples of 2012-13 initiatives for the 2012-13 school year:

- Administrative Retreat – Focus on Common Core State Standards.
- Teacher professional development on Common Core State Standards in areas of English-Language Arts and Mathematics.
- Teacher Professional Growth Plans focused on Common Core State Standards.
- Transition Talks Grade 8 and Grade 9 for teachers of mathematics.
- Computerized Progress Reports for all K-5 students.
- Planning for Centralized Student Data Collection System.
- Initial discussion about All-Day Kindergarten.
- Planning for new assessments in spring of 2015.
- Standardization of SRBI-EIP processes K-12.
- Differentiation of instruction for all levels of students within all K-12 settings.
- Improved curricular alignment between the district's Alternative High School (Alta) and Southington High School.
- Standards-based Report Cards for middle schools.

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Director of Business & Finance

BUSINESS OFFICE

The Business Office has accomplished the following items during the 2011-2012 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 American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME) Local 1303 (Custodians, Secretaries, Maintenance and Food Service Employees), AFSCME Local 1303-140 (Nurses) and United Public Service Employees Union (Paraprofessionals). We have signed three-year contracts with both AFSCME groups that will expire on June 30, 2014. The paraprofessional negotiations will continue into the summer months of 2012.

Payroll – Employee Portal:

In December of 2011, our Payroll Office, along with our Technology Department, opened the Employee Portal link on our Alio™ financial software system. This portal allows employees to view paychecks and W-2 information online along with access to their attendance records. The Payroll Office no longer prints direct deposit remittances, which allowed for a savings in supplies.

Per Pupil Expenditures:

The building level per pupil allocations were reviewed with a committee of principals in an effort to allocate the funds based on educational need for the 2012-2013 budget year.

Grant Management:

The Southington Public Schools continue to benefit from the work of Mrs. Chris Boulanger as the District Grant Writer. Her success has added to grant management responsibilities of the Business Office. We also serve as a resource for the grant application questions. The Business Office is happy to continue assisting in this role because our students are the true beneficiaries from the grant funds we receive.

School Lunch and Breakfast Program:

The Breakfast Program has expanded district-wide and the Business Office continues to work with the Food Service Director and Bread for Life to look at ways to increase participation.

The School Nutrition Standards for the National School Lunch and Breakfast Program are changing as of July 1, 2012. Time was spent this spring familiarizing ourselves with the changes. The School Board approved a twenty-five cent (25¢) increase to all school lunch prices beginning in August of 2012.

Budget 2012-2013:

The 2012-2013 Board of Education Operating Budget was approved with a \$215,000 reduction. The original budget included the reduction of 22 positions and all of those positions were eliminated once the budget was adopted. Although our staff has been reduced, we were fortunate to continue all of existing programs in the Southington Public School district.

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Director of Operations

OPERATIONS OFFICE

Construction:

Facility Advisory Committee:

- The Superintendent's Facility Committee met to review short and long term building needs of the town into the fall of 2011.
- Borghesi Building and Engineering Company of Torrington entered into an agreement with the town to purchase the North Center School and property. In turn, they would develop the office space for the Board of Education administration offices and several town departments. Occupancy is scheduled for the summer of 2012. The agreement allows for a multiple year lease with the option for the town to purchase back the building and site at a future time.
- With the planned move of school district offices, Realty 3/Carroll & Agostini was hired by the Town Council to broker the 49 Beecher Street property. The building was constructed as an elementary school in 1911 and sits on 1.76 acres.

Middle School Projects:

- The Education Specifications for DePaolo and Kennedy Middle Schools were revised to reflect the \$15 million budget reduction, and approved by the Southington Board of Education on August 18, 2012.
- The November 1, 2011 referendum question to approve \$85 million to "Renovate-as-New" expansions of both middle schools passed with a vote of 4,859 in favor and 2,284 no votes.
- The Building Committee for the projects was established in January 2012.
- Seventeen Construction Manager Firms responded to the town's Request for Proposals (RFP). Newfield Construction of Hartford was hired for both projects in May 2012. Newfield Construction had recently completed the Plantsville and South End Elementary School projects in a Construction Manager role.
- Twenty-four architectural firms responded to the town's Request for Proposals (RFP). Fletcher Thompson, Inc. was the successful firm and was hired in June 2012. Fletcher Thompson, Inc. had recently completed the Plantsville Elementary School "Renovate-as-New" project.
- The town purchased 1043-1045 South Main Street in June 2012. The purchase of 1.16 acres that cost \$260,000 will add needed space to the Kennedy Middle School site.

Kelley Parking Lot:

- The reconstruction of Kelley Elementary School parking lots, playground and site sidewalks were funded by the town with a budget of \$244,800. Work began immediately following the last day of school.

Clean Energy Program:

- The town, through the Connecticut Clean Energy Communities Program, earned a 2KW Solar PV System. The system will be installed at the Vocational Agriculture Center at Southington High School. The system will produce power for building use as well as providing a learning experience to students.

Building Maintenance – Health and Safety:

- On October 29, 2011, an early snowstorm “Storm Alfred” brought down trees and power lines throughout the region. All district schools were closed for five days due to lack of power and needed site cleanup.
- The district switched to a “Green Cleaning” line of custodial products to meet current Public Act No. 09-81 requirements. The district also standardized hand soaps, hand towels and toilet tissue for all sites.
- In June 2012, the town was notified that a federal “Safe Routes to School” grant award of \$498,500 was approved. This funding will be used to provide additional sidewalk areas for students attending DePaolo Middle School.
- In mid-April of 2012, the district, along with Redflex Traffic Systems, began a pilot program using cameras on five school buses to track the red light violations by motorists.

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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 2011-2012, we completed our first full year with our new online application system. The new system eliminated the problems we were encountering with the previous system and is very user-friendly for both on the applicant and administrator.

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

Administrative Hiring:

Spring 2012 was a very busy time in the Personnel Office. This year, we had four building level administrators retire. The spring was spent reviewing over 335 applications for four positions, preparing documentation for and participating in hiring committee interviews. The committees consisted of administrators, teachers and parent representatives from each effected school. With such a large pool to draw from the decisions were difficult; but, I feel that through this lengthy process the best candidates were presented to the Board of Education for their final interview and decision.

Team Program:

This year, the Personnel Office, in conjunction with certified staff, was able to assist with 43 student teachers from area colleges such as Central Connecticut State University (CCSU), St. Joseph's College, Southern Connecticut State University (SCSU) and University of Hartford. In addition, the TEAM Program was in its second full year. This program replaced BEST for new teaching staff. With Southington's election to do all module paper reviews in-house, a TEAM Committee was established with Patricia Corvello as the district TEAM Facilitator. The TEAM Committee met several times during the year to review and accept or reject new teacher submissions. The State of Connecticut provided a rubric for the “readers” to follow to determine if the submitted module was acceptable. Once the student teacher completed the necessary modules, they were eligible for the next step in the certification process.

Internships:

As we try to do each year, this year we placed 11 interns from the University of Bridgeport and Quinnipiac University within our schools. As well as assisting as substitute teachers, they also worked closely with principals on special projects. With the changed requirements for certification, these interns are also completing their student teaching requirements with us. 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:

Again, 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 difficult as many surrounding towns pay a higher per diem rate. Each year the Personnel Office re-builds our substitute teaching pool as many of our substitutes are hired as permanent teaching staff, which reflects well on the caliber of substitutes that we are utilizing.

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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, State Mandated Reporting criteria, dress code, and procedural expectations. In addition, they view the mandated “Bloodborne Pathogen and Food Allergy” videos.

Cohort Meetings:

The 2011-2012 school year was the fifth year of our new teacher cohort meetings. From these meetings, we have obtained valuable information and established a practice of open communication with our new teachers.

Workers' Compensation:

The Personnel Office continues to coordinate all Workers' Compensation issues. The office is working with CIRMA to insure accuracy and timely reporting of all employee accidents in the workplace. 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 are contributing to the publication. We have added some new features such as a Trivia Contest in the hope that more employees will read the letter so that it a communication tool for our staff.

Unaffiliated/Non-Union, Non-Administrator Handbook:

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

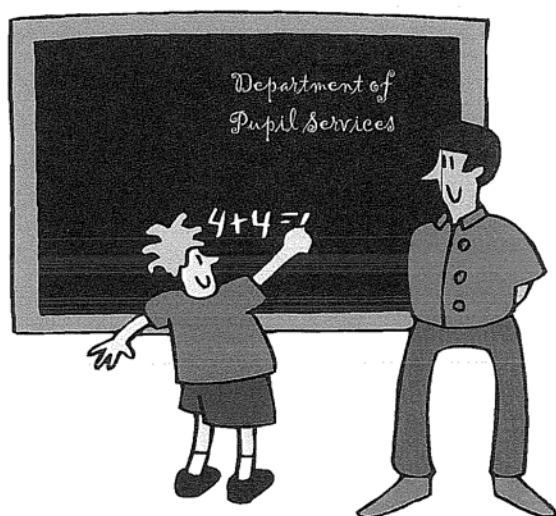
CEU Tracking:

The CEU system is working well for recording CEU's. We are still in the roll-out process for allowing staff to register for their professional development online. The plan is that registration for the November 6, 2012 Professional Development Day will be online. The State of Connecticut Department of Education has direct access to the data on our certified staff through the system so that when renewing Provisional or Professional Certificates all the information is available and staff will not have to be audited as they were in the past.

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SPECIAL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

During the 2011-2012 school year, the Special Education Department has undergone considerable change. With a team of three Special Education Coordinators, a Senior Coordinator, and four support staff, considerable improvements were made to provide the highest quality educational services to our students. Specifically, the department has worked toward goals around developing community partnerships, improving student achievement, and improving office and department procedures.

Community Partnerships:

Community partnerships were established through a memorandum of agreement for the 2011-2012 school year with Connecticut Mental Health Associates (CMHA) to provide increased support, in a preventive manner, to our students with mental health concerns. Partnerships within the town of Southington were also increased for our 18-21 year old high school students to improve their transition from school to the community. A grass roots parents group was established in the district this year and the Special Education Department engaged in collaboration with them to support parent training in special education procedures and practices.

Student Achievement:

With student achievement an integral part of student success, a focus was on building the capacity of special education and related services staff to enable and empower them to work more succinctly and effectively with those students with academic and behavioral challenges. Specifically, research-based interventions and data-based procedures were at the core of this work. With national standards now in place, the Common Core Standards will remain at the foundation of present and future district work. These standards will have implications on those students receiving special education. To that end, special education teachers at the elementary, middle, and high school were selected to participate in a regional work group designed especially to address these implications. With technology a key ingredient to creating 21st century learners, an emphasis on producing greater district-wide equity in accessing online research-based programs related to explicit literacy instruction, and on increasing the use of appropriate assistive technology equipment and software by students was encouraged and supported.

Budget and Compliance:

Throughout the year, efforts to streamline the processes involved in managing the special education budget and the provision of services were stressed. Emphasis was also on compliance with the State of Connecticut regulations for special education and the federal regulations of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) and Section 504 of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

School Readiness:

The Special Education Department has reason to celebrate. Some highlights at the early elementary level involve school readiness. Special education was integrally involved with the Southington "Community Conversation" from the conceptual level to implementation. A change to the location of the Family Resource Center of Southington has allowed for

centralizing its services at Hatton Elementary School. This new structure allows for more continuity with programming and a single location from which staff can develop materials and programs. In addition, the Family Resource Center will now be located in the same building as the district preschool, allowing for increased collaboration between the two staffs.

Middle School Level:

At the middle school level, there is increased participation by middle school students with special needs in school related activities such as Drama Club, Bowling Club and Environmental Club. There is sustained growth of middle school students' participation in local and regional Unified Sports events. The Second Annual Unified Sports Banquet was held in June at the Manor Inn to honor typical peers and exceptional learners together. Co-teaching partnerships continue to be strong at middle school level. The first year implementation of an alternative district-wide middle school program for students with significant needs, housed at J. F. Kennedy Middle School, has been successful and expansion of the program is planned.

High School Level:

At the high school level, transition services have been expanded and a pilot program for our 18-21 year old population of students has been hugely successful. Through the diligent work of high school educators and the district Grant Writer, substantial grant funds were secured from the Community Foundation of Greater New Britain and the Calvanese Foundation. These funds will enable us to purchase a vehicle to improve transition programming in the community.

System-wide:

The district was very fortunate to have educators from the Netherlands visit in October to learn more about the education system in the United States. These international visitors were hosted by middle and high school administrators to tour their schools, visit classrooms, and talk to the staff. The visitors were particularly interested in how special education works here, as their education system differs substantially.

Summary:

The Special Education Department will continue to make the changes necessary for students to be successful and lifelong learners. Continued focus will be on targeted professional development for special education and related services staff to meet the unique needs of those students receiving special education. Emphasis on finding creative ways to engage families and the town and school communities in this process will be encouraged. Focus will also be on interaction and collaboration between general and special education in a preventative way to meet the needs of students early on in their school career thus preventing the need for more intensive services later.

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Director of Technology

TECHNOLOGY OFFICE

The 2011-2012 school year included many improvements in technology. Powerschool 7 was a major update that allows parents to create a single sign-on to access information for their children. New technologies were installed including a state of the art World Language Lab at Southington High School and through the leasing agreement, all new computer equipment was purchased at Hatton and Strong Elementary Schools. The infrastructure upgrade was completed and all schools are now connected via fiber. The Southington Public Schools website was upgraded and has improved communication between Southington Public Schools and the community through many enhancements including the "Superintendent's blog."

PowerSchool 7:

The PowerSchool 7 upgrade was completed last summer. In September, the Parent Portal single sign-on was implemented. Although we received many calls per day in the beginning, call volume has subsided to only a few a week. Parents have appreciated the fact that they can create their own usernames/passwords and link their children together.

State Reporting:

The Teacher-Course-Student (TCS) state reporting project was a challenge for many reasons. First, the state shut down their system for several weeks due to the problems on their end. Next, we had issues with our software vendor producing the file correctly. The final challenge was getting all the information from the outplacement schools in the correct format. This was completed late in November.

World Language Lab:

The purchase and configuration of a state of the art digital World Language Lab was completed and is used regularly by the foreign language classes.

Middle School Education Specs:

The Middle School Education Specifications were completed and the project was passed.

Virtual Desktops/Servers:

The purchase and installation of new virtual middle school servers and deployment of over 100 virtual desktops to the middle schools and high school was completed. Students like the virtual desktops because they are much faster than the previous computers.

New Technology at Hatton, Strong, and Southington High School:

All technology including servers, desktop computers and teacher laptops were replaced at Hatton and Strong Schools. All homeroom computers were replaced at Southington High School. All technologies are fully deployed and in use.

Fiber Network:

This project was completed. We now have a fiber network in all of our schools that took over six-years to complete. This will help us prepare for the online assessments coming in 2013.

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School Messenger:

This has been an invaluable tool, especially during the storm in October. We were able to send calls home despite not having Internet access. More will be done with investigating how to fully use this tool.

Website:

The new website was completed in September. Lura Terrace put many hours in cloning over 4,000 pages to the new site. Both parents and staff report that the new design is easier to navigate and find information.

New Technology:

Through partnership with the PTO, Derynoski was able to purchase an additional four SmartBoards. The Adult Education program purchased an iPad cart to be used by J. F. Kennedy Middle School students during the day and Adult Education at night that is also up and running. An Apple trainer provided professional development in the fall during a one day workshop.

Employee Portal – Alio:

This was recently completed and seems well received. Information on using the system was provided to all staff.

Update Technology Plan:

The Technology Plan 2012-2015 was completed and approved by the Board of Education at the May 10, 2012 meeting.

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It was another excellent year for Southington High School as we continue our journey from good to great!

The one-year report to the New England Association of Schools and Colleges was presented and the commission was pleased by our work in the areas of professional development, the development of a comprehensive school improvement plan, and our work to decrease the number of instructional levels among many other items. A two-year report is due to the commission by October 1, 2012.

The change made to our leveling system meant changes to curriculum and the purchase of a few new textbooks. School counselors and teachers worked with our parents and students to find the most appropriate courses and levels for all students. Even with all of these changes to the scheduling process, we were able to provide students with their course schedules for the 2012-2013 school year during the first week in June.

Our work with STEPS and the creation of our own Asset Building Classroom (ABC) Team was another significant enhancement at Southington High School. Our ABC Team developed and worked with a group of 50 students from across the school. These students provided valuable feedback on topics such as homework, technology in the school and preparing for success in the educational setting. We are excited about the positive changes that this new committee of teachers and students will bring to our learning community.

The School Improvement Team (SIT) comprised of the administrative team, department chairs and our literacy teacher spent a great deal of time in classrooms individually and in small groups. Well over 700 classroom visits were recorded providing our SIT with valuable information about the quality of our programming in the building. Our practice of being present where the learning is occurring will continue in the coming school year.

In addition to the great work outlined above, the school spent a great deal of time working on a system of supports for our students. A committee of teachers and administrators worked hard to develop a process for identifying students who need further support to meet academic success. In the coming school year, teams of teachers, one at each grade level, will work with students who present specific needs and work to provide the necessary supports to ensure student success. As an example, a student may be identified as reading below grade level and, therefore, may be provided additional support by our literacy teacher to increase the student's ability to read. While this continuum of supports and culture of success will take further time to develop, we are encouraged by our progress to date.

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Southington High School had much to celebrate during this school year. Four of our staff members received the prestigious distinction as a "Profile in Professionalism" award recipient. The superintendent of schools recognized Nancy Chiero (teacher), David Germano (assistant principal), Jean Griglun (nurse), and Brian Palmieri (custodian) for their professionalism. Additionally, we were notified in June that the district's "Teacher of the Year" was our very own Justin Mirante. Justin is a teacher and department chair for our Technology Education Department. His hard work and dedication to students makes him an excellent choice to represent the many great teachers in our district. During the school year, we were notified by Learning Forward that we were selected to present at their national conference in Boston this coming December. We will be presenting on our collaborative effort with the State Education Resource Center (SERC) to improve the instructional practice and student achievement at Southington High School. Mr. John Miller, president of the Band Backers, was awarded the Order of the Blue Knight, an honor bestowed to parents and/or community members for their amazing dedication to the our students and our school. Bryan Davis, a junior, was named one of the top 30 scholars in Connecticut with his designation as a Governor's Scholar. Finally, our collaborative effort with the Chamber of Commerce called "Training for Tomorrow Today" saw a significant increase in the number of students who worked as interns in our local businesses. This opportunity provides valuable experience to our students in multiple professional and vocational occupations.

We continue to celebrate great success with our co-curricular activities. Our Robotics Team performed beautifully throughout the year capturing multiple awards including design and engineering awards. Most significantly, the team won the First Robotics Connecticut Regional Competition allowing them to compete at the national level in St. Louis where the team showed very well. Our FBLA and DECA programs continued to show the state why we have the number one Business Department in the state. Our DECA president, Emily Socha, returned from the National DECA Competition in Utah as a National Vice President of DECA, quite an honor. Our music programs also had a great year with a second place finish in both the State Marching Band Competition and the Berklee Jazz Festival. Our Unified Theatre Program showed that it was not a one-hit wonder with another inspiring performance in its second year of existence. Our school newspaper, The Emblem, turned 100 years old this year and we were proud to celebrate the significant accomplishments of the paper over its great history.

Our sports programs had a phenomenal year as well. Cherraine Davis was the New England Champion for shot put with a distance of over 44 feet. Michael Smigelski found great success in the pool beating all competitors for the State Open Championship in the 50 freestyle and was runner-up in the state at the 100 freestyle. Travis Daly was the Class LL State Wrestling Champion in the heavy weight division. Our girls' volleyball team, softball team, and gymnastics team were all runner-ups in the state championship games or meet, while our baseball team made it to the semi-finals of the Class LL State Tournament. Our Unified Sports Program continued to flourish and was named one of the top ten programs in the state by the Connecticut Association of Schools Michael's Cup Program.

As we look to the coming school year, we are excited about the foundation we built for continued success and greatness. Our excellent teaching staff has been engaged in the secondary reform movement and is well situated to implement the mandated changes. We look forward to our work with Student Success Plans (SSPs) that will increase the personalization of education for all students and parents. Essentially, our goal is to pair a certified staff member with 12-15 students. This staff member will act as another critical friend, beyond the school counselor,

to help guide the student through the high school experience. In addition, our School Improvement Team will continue to examine the most effective use of instructional time at Southington High School while we consider using different building schedules. Additionally, our School Improvement Plan over the past year used assessment techniques to identify strengths and weaknesses of our students in an effort to remediate weaknesses and take advantage of strengths.

Our new leveling system will increase the rigor of our educational programming for all of our students. At the same time, we have developed strategies to help our struggling learners and have significantly increased the number of Advance Placement (AP) courses that we offer to challenge our students. Our School Improvement Plan for the coming school year has taken into account all that we learned from the previous school year. We will continue with our focus on reading critically, writing effectively, skills in mathematics and successful performance on standardized assessments.



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The Alta computer lab was updated at the beginning of the 2011-2012 school year with an upgrade from 10 to 15 computers. Increased student accountability was a major focus this year and we also revamped the Alta homework policy to further improve student achievement. The Alta instructional staff has been significantly more involved with professional development at the high school and now attends all department meetings and curriculum meetings. The Alta administration is working on developing and finalizing a Life Learning curriculum that will be presented to the Curriculum and Instruction Committee in January of 2013.

Fifteen Alta students took part in commencement ceremonies this June with two more students slated to earn their diplomas in August, 2012. Alta students earned over 600 hours of community service volunteering in the town of Southington this year. Alta students compiled over 1,400 documented work hours towards earning one individual credit each. One graduating senior from Alta was the recipient of two scholarships for post high school studies. Alta continues to work with Department of Children and Families (DCF), Emergency Mobile Psychiatric Services (EMPS) and other state agencies educating students who are homeless and in residential settings. Enrollment continues to increase and Alta ended the year with 59 students. Alta has one tuition student currently slated to attend in the fall of 2013.

Professional development and hands-on exposure to the new Common Core will be a major focus for the 2012-2013 school year. A continued emphasis on literacy and writing in all content areas will also be a main focus. We will continue to embrace an interdisciplinary, collaborative approach to teaching and require creative and meaningful differentiation in all subject areas. A continued increase in academic rigor and student accountability through assessments and individual student performance will be demanded. We will also spend time over the summer and in the beginning of the school year focusing on the further development and alignment of the Alta English curriculum with Southington High School in conjunction with the work that is being done (Grades 9-12) at the district level. Instructional coaching and the development of the Alta Tuition Program will also be continued through Mr. Levin's office with ongoing work and reflection. Mr. Levin will collaborate with Mr. Mark Hill to develop a more impactful service learning component within our current school counseling/student/transition framework.

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Broad Based Enhancements:

Joseph A. DePaolo Middle School enjoyed another successful year. Although DePaolo is due for a renovation starting in the summer of 2013, the DePaolo staff and student body continued to make improvements to the building. Specimen plants were donated by Jeremiah's Gardens and were added to our newly renovated courtyard. Additionally, our hallways were adorned with positive posters and messages as well as student work. Plans for the summer are to purchase picnic tables for the cafeteria patio for students to enjoy for the upcoming school year.

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 1,592 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 270 students in all who were honored.
- Good News Cards: Over 678 students received "Good News" postcards from staff members.
- Gold and Platinum Reward Cards: There were 2,071 cards that were earned granting students special privileges in and out of school.
- Eighth Grade Awards: On June 7, 2012, 137 students were honored during an evening awards assembly

Ongoing Work:

DePaolo's Continuous School Improvement Plan focused on data-driven differentiation. The first workshop day in August was spent examining student data for those who just were promoted and affirmed that the teacher imbedded interventions over the course of the year were, in fact, indicators of success on the state standardized assessment. The second day focused on teachers identifying students with strands of weakness and then researching the student performance back three years. This helped staff members form a more complete picture of each student requiring interventions. Staff goal setting documents were then based on this information discovered.

During the first two workshop days, staff also cycled through meeting times with their respective grade level counselor and their team special education staff member. All 504, Early Intervention Plans and Individualized Educational Plans were disseminated during these meeting times. 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.

Teachers had the opportunity throughout the year to observe one another by participating in a school-based program called "Teacher to Teacher." This program was started the year prior and continued to evolve this year. Staff used forms based on the Connecticut Common Core of Teaching domains to guide their observations of their colleagues twice per month. This allowed teachers to gain insight into their own practice by observing others.

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School Accomplishments and Student Achievements:

The collective work of the J. F. Kennedy Middle School learning community has led to the continued growth of our instructional practices in a very significant way. Through the strong partnership we maintain with SERC and the coaching that they provided, each of our teaching teams has successfully refined our Scientific Research-Based Interventions (SRBI) practices. As a part of our application of the Early Intervention Plan (EIP) process, we have utilized more effective formal assessment tools, which have better enabled us to specifically identify learning needs for students and to better coordinate our planning for supports. Improved collaboration among all content area teachers and math and literacy specialists has led to a more intentional planning and implementation of Tier I, II and III supports and interventions. A large body of formal and informal progress monitoring data indicates significant growth for students that is closely aligned with this work. Mrs. Smith's work with SERC in unifying the EIP documents used district-wide has further assisted us in this as it has helped teachers better understand the process from the K-12 perspective.

In our work to provide a safe, supportive and authentically engaging learning environment, we have grown the ways in which we meet students' social and emotional needs. A very significant and successful example of this is our more intentional and formal approach to supporting STEPS through the Asset Building Classroom initiative (ABC). The monthly school-wide focus on specific assets and the special afterschool events that we scheduled for students, parents and staff were a great success. The staff embraced the concept of asset building classrooms as an opportunity to make daily connections with students. Another example would be the Kennedy "Caught Doing Good" cards that identified and promoted positive character counts of students. The continuation of the afterschool Lego League, Entrepreneur Club, Stock Market Club and School Newspaper Club have provided a growing number of new challenges and opportunities for students to extend their school day and work alongside new friends and peers. Overall participation grew significantly this year in all of our afterschool clubs. The state and national recognition of awards for two of our students in the Stock Market Club offers evidence of the success of these opportunities that Kennedy provides. We also expanded upon our participation in the CIAC-sponsored Unified Sports Program by offering opportunities in an additional sport. The Best Buddies Program, implemented this school year, offered increased opportunities for peer connections between students with and without disabilities. The Builders Club continued this year to provide community service opportunities to students, their work this year providing funds that purchased laptop computers for soldiers serving overseas through the sale of yellow ribbons.

Our PTO continues to be vital to our work. Quite simply, there are many opportunities for students that their fundraising and volunteerism provides for such as assembly programs, field trips, book fairs. Each of our 850 students had opportunities this year that were only possible because of their unselfish work.



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The 2011-2012 school year at Derynoski School began with our new administrative team anxious to continue the great work that was part of this community. Instructional practices were enhanced based on the results of our CMT and benchmark data. A district and school focus was placed in the area of written expression with teachers implementing independent writing goals for all students and refining their Writers Workshop strategies and practices. Professional development in this area was completed through Columbia and monitored and enhanced through the literacy specialists. New units of study in the language arts areas were implemented with close collaboration with the grade level teams and literacy specialists. Continued focus on early intervention was placed in Kindergarten with Derynoski housing one of the district's Extended-Day Kindergarten programs. This program, along with our own extended day program, provided a targeted group of students' explicit instruction in individual skill areas with generalization built into the curriculum to promote carryover in the regular classroom setting. Data indicated significant increases in performance in all areas of literacy.

We are especially proud of our STEPS/Character Counts program this year. The goal was to enhance our existing Character Counts program with the community STEPS initiative. This was embraced by the entire Derynoski community. Each day, students would read the "Character Tip of the Day" over the morning announcements. Each classroom developed a list of "Character Tips" that would be read to the school and written on the board in the cafeteria. Teachers would discuss this tip in their classrooms and during lunch to provide multiple opportunities for students to reflect on it throughout the day. Student leaders were trained in the "ABC" classroom and, along with the fifth grade student council, determined school spirit days and became leaders for various events during the year. Student leaders were part of a STEPS team, which is comprised of students, staff and parents. This team worked on developing practices that target the development assets for the school. Throughout the year, students were encouraged to give back to their community through various venues. Students initiated fundraisers and raised over \$5,000 throughout the year, which facilitated leadership skills. Students continued to earn a star on the "Heroes among Us" board for all of their community/school service completed. The veterans in our community were honored in different ways throughout the year starting in November with a celebration that included a "white table" ceremony. Students learned about the branches of the military and the fifth grade classes had veterans speak to them about their service to their country. The fifth grade class created a mosaic wall design that is hung in our lobby to honor our veterans. Veterans from our Derynoski families have a ribbon in the shadow box to honor their service to our country.

Safety was addressed this year by refining our "Code Lock" practices with the support of the Southington Police Department. The staff and students practiced this drill at various times to provide consistency with the procedure. New procedures and protocols were also put in place for our fire drills with the support of the Southington Fire Department.

The PTO also began this year with a new executive board and developed new bylaws to improve the structure of their process. The Derynoski PTO shared a goal with the administrative team and staff to increase technology in all classrooms. Through the Scholastic Book Fairs and various fundraisers, SMART Boards and projectors were put in the first and third grade classes. A \$6,000 grant from the SAVISS Corporation provided funding for our second grade classes to also receive SMART Boards and projectors. Along with this technology document cameras were purchased for the third grade. The ongoing goal is to outfit all of the classrooms with SMART Boards, projectors and document cameras. This is a three-year plan.

Kindergarten:

In Kindergarten, we continued our work in Readers Workshop and Writers Workshop. The children had books in their hands the first week of school. Book bags went home every week with "Just Right Books" for the families to read and reinforce good strategies. The children used their "tools" to become good readers. The children published their stories on our "Publishing Wall" where they could be shared with the children and staff. In addition, "Words Their Way," our Word Work program was implemented. Differentiation in all activities takes place so that all children are challenged. Each month we focus our instruction on the different assets of the STEPS program to ensure that the students feel good about themselves and their school. We also worked as a team to keep our parents informed through a classroom newsletter and updates about our curriculum, as needed. This communication proved to be essential in helping our kids move academically as their support is necessary as we collaborate together.

Grade 1:

When the school year began, the first grade teachers spent time assessing students and using data to drive daily instruction. We met monthly as a team to look over current data and work together to make plans for the diverse learners in our classrooms. In Readers and Writers Workshop the Lucy Caulken's model of instruction was followed with added strategies incorporated to focus on our school writing objective. Focus was placed on homogenous partnerships to expand students' critical thinking skills in both reading and writing. Continued enhancement of the Growing with Mathematics Program to meet the needs of all the learners in the first grade classes was completed throughout the year. Specific focus was placed on learning basic addition and subtraction math facts as well as solving multiple-step real-world problems. With a focus on non-fiction text, an integration of science and social studies was made with our language arts block. Students enjoyed learning about an assortment of life cycles including chicks, frogs, and insects. The town-wide STEPS initiative was embraced by the school and the first grade team. Using the building blocks of asset development, a collective goal to achieve a positive classroom climate where children feel accepted and cared about in our learning community was implemented.

Grade 2:

The STEPS program is an excellent complement and enhancement to social and emotional enrichment tools that we all have in place in our classrooms to help foster the developmental assets. We partnered with Lowe's Home Improvement Store in a building project that tied into our math curriculum. While continuing with our Reading and Writing Workshop models, we successfully implemented several new units of study focusing largely on non-fiction, persuasive writing, and different fictional genres. Students continue using writing binders to organize their writing pieces and aid in their editing/revising skills. We continue to incorporate CBAs to supplement the Growing with Mathematics Program and are on track to complete all units this year.

Grade 3:

The third grade has taken on many new initiatives throughout the 2011-2012 school year. We have incorporated the town-wide STEPS philosophy into our classrooms, emphasizing good character traits and working to develop assets for students to be successful. Thanks to the generosity of our PTO, the majority of the third grade classrooms are now equipped with SMART Boards. Teachers are beginning to develop interactive lessons in all subject areas. Teachers, as well as students, are learning the skills necessary to be “tech-savvy” citizens of the classroom. With writing as a School Improvement Plan focus, we have continued to revise and implement units of instruction during the Writers Workshop. We also launched new units in this area. In addition, third grade was privileged to participate in a two-week “Author-in- Residence” program with story-teller Eshu Bumpus. Third graders participated in lessons focusing on the writing process, ending by publishing their own folktales.

Grade 4:

Improving the quality of student writing across the curriculum was a major focus for this year. In Writers Workshop, students identified individual goals to improve their writing. In addition, we integrated the new units of study into Readers and Writers Workshop. There was a particular focus on Nonfiction / Expository writing. Students also had to learn and develop their note-taking skills. Throughout Readers and Writers Workshop, literacy specialists and tutors provided small group and individual support that enhanced student learning. In addition, explicit instruction in grammar was implemented to help students learn how to edit and revise their own work. In mathematics, we followed the Grow with Mathematics Program pacing schedule and worked on specific objectives within our School Improvement Plan. Students benefitted from the support of the math tutors. Students enjoyed a hands-on approach to science inquiry. All subject areas were enhanced with the use of the classroom SMART Boards. Improved technology access such as Grolier and BrainPop also improved lessons and student learning. Our existing Character Counts program was improved by incorporating the STEPS district-wide initiative.

Grade 5:

In reading and writing, we implemented a new curriculum that coincides with the Common Core Standards. This included more non-fiction reading and researched-based writing. We received support from the literary specialists and had additional training from Columbia Teachers College. In math, we continued to use the Growing with Mathematics Program. Additional resources supplied by the math department were used to challenge our higher level learners. In science, we received professional development for the Foss kit that covers the new earth, moon, and stars unit. We continue to use the technology provided by the Thalberg Foundation across the curriculum. The developmental asset building blocks of the STEPS program could be seen throughout our classrooms, specifically through our Veterans Program and the Southington High School Diversity Club. Our Veterans Program was implemented by our students and involved their family members. In May, we invited a local veteran to discuss Veterans' Day and Memorial Day. In March, students from the Southington High School Diversity Club spent one week in our classrooms sharing personal information about their cultures. Our students participated in numerous fundraising activities to support various charities and organizations throughout the community.



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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 Park and Recreation programs. Our PTO supports our staff through fundraising 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 through programs such as Family Picnic, Family Bingo, Read Aloud Day, Winter Read across America Program, Ski Club, Drama Club, Scouts and Flanders Cares. Together we are planning to provide more family-centered events at no cost for the upcoming school year.

This academic school year, our Continuous School Improvement Plan worked on student achievement and teacher accountability in four areas: Numeracy, Literacy with a focus on written expression, School Safety/Climate and School/Family Partnerships.

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 Friday's 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 for 2011-2012 included, but are not limited to, the following: The Southington Public Schools Mission Statement, ABC School Asset Building strategies, exemplary classroom libraries, expanding our non-fiction collections, 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 four) hosting training for teachers across the district in Grades 1-5. Our Flanders Elementary School staff in Grades 1 and Grade 2 hosted instructional workshops that provided training in writing to Flanders and district staff 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.

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We are very proud of our Continued Improvement Plan process at Flanders School. We have come full circle and have finished the school year with a draft plan to start with on the very first day of school. Our work in student achievement will focus on differentiation, technology, safety and Common Core of Learning. 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:

Refinement of the Kindergarten literacy curriculum facilitated fluent connected instruction leading to greater student achievement. Student achievement was enhanced with expanded word lists leading to greater success at or above grade level reading expectations. Work earlier in the year with retell strategies promoted higher levels of achievement in reading as well.

Grade 1:

The first grade continues with the implementation of Readers and Writers Workshop. A focus on conferencing to improve fluency has been the heart of this year's literacy work. Over 80% of the students are reading at or above grade level as a direct result of this work. In writing, the teaching focus has been on elaboration in writing, which has moved students to higher achievement. Work with students in math with place value has been successful in greater student achievement in this area.

Grade 2:

The second grade at Flanders School has continued with the implementation of Readers and Writers Workshop. Conferencing with students on specific reading comprehension strategies has been a focus this year, particularly Author's Message. Conferencing in Writers Workshop has focused on editing and revising. This has had successful results as well with student achievement at or above grade level for all students.

Grade 3:

The third grade focus on literacy instruction with the support of literacy specialists involved expanding the student's ability to think critically with peers and to expand student work in Author's Message. Writers Workshop mini-lessons involving revision has led to greater student achievement with all students at or above grade level in writing. Our math instruction emphasized differentiation and individualized instruction to meet the needs of all students.

Grade 4:

The fourth grade focused on differentiated reading instruction through the use of mini-lessons involving non-fiction writing. This involved research and information writing. Reading work in Author's Message has helped improve student reading comprehension. Students have continued to develop the math concepts present in the Growing with Math Program 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 5:

The fifth grade students have been active participants in Readers and Writers Workshop including incorporating Book Clubs and Partner Talks. In writing, students published more work focused on non-fiction text. Our students participated in a Business Building Enterprise with the support of a Southington Education Foundation grant. Parent involvement increased this year by helping with hands-on work in science and social studies.

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Hatton 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.

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 had several presenters at our PTO meetings. Some topics were: Pre-Reading Skills Workshop, "The Active Classroom", Nutrition, our Garden Project by Paula Knight and students, and an Anti-bullying at School and Home Workshop.

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.

We continue the "Giving Tree" tradition, donations for the Southington Food Bank, Relay for Life, and other charities, such as Jump Rope for Heart and the American Cancer Society. Other student projects are Young Author's, 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 Grandparent Week.

Preschool:

In the 2011-12 school year, the Wrinn Preschool Center at Hatton School serviced over 111 children. Monthly screenings, based upon parental referrals, were conducted to identify students with possible special needs. We continued our collaboration with the Special Olympics Young Athletes Program. This year, we included two groups of fifth graders as coaches. This initiative proved to be mutually beneficial.

New technology, including computers, programs and a “SMART Table” was available for supplementing the preschool curriculum. Technology staff was able to incorporate our handwriting program into the smart table software in collaboration with the Occupational Therapists.

Kindergarten:

Kindergarten students have experienced a wide range of curricular learning activities this year. With the implementation of both Readers and Writers Workshop, supported by a balanced literacy environment, students learned various strategies and skills that they were able to apply in many engaging activities. Some activities included shared reading, guided reading, and literacy and writing centers. Kindergarten also integrated social studies and science into both math and literacy areas.

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, poetry, how to, and all about books. Students showed impressive success with these different topics and their language arts growth was astonishing this year. In science, the children learned about animal life cycles by raising insects, frogs and chickens.

Grade 2:

The Reading Workshop model helped students continue to grow as confident readers. Students were introduced to some new concepts within the non-fiction unit. A new unit was also introduced: folktales, fables, and their favorite, fairy tales. This year, Grade 2 piloted a new program called “The Active Classroom.” The second grade staff was trained to facilitate the active classroom and students participated in physical activities throughout the day that incorporated our Grade 2 curriculum. The goal was to incorporate more movement into their day to improve concentration and behavior as well as build stamina for physical activity.

Grade 3:

Third grade has continued to work to improve performance in the area of reading and developing a love of reading across different genres. There was also a focus on writing open-ended responses to reading passages. In writing, students have worked to become confident writers and have created and published both narrative and non-fiction writing pieces through the Writers Workshop. Growing with Mathematics has, once again, been the backbone of the third grade math program with a focus on real life connections. Students learned about the state of Connecticut and its resources in social studies. In science, students used a hands-on approach to explore science topics such as earth materials, matter, and the human body.

Grade 4:

This year, the fourth graders continue to enjoy Readers Workshop. An emphasis on non-fiction text enabled the students to use their reading skills in all content areas. In math, the children have worked to solve problems involving logical reasoning and number sense. The students continued work with fractions and interpreting decimals on number lines and graphs. This year in science, students visited Slopers Outdoor Center in both the fall and spring. They identified living things in pond life and soil life. They also collected soil and water samples from the pond, wetlands, and forest habitats. In the spring, they focused their attention on finding samples of erosion and how humans have worked to prevent both wind and water erosion.

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. Social studies was integrated into both workshops through the use of historical fiction. Students worked cooperatively to create stories and comic strips based on their favorite historical time period. Science topics became an integral part of Readers Workshop. New topics such as line plots and exponents were added to the math curriculum.

Music:

Fifth grade chorus began preparing seven songs in September for their December holiday concert. They performed for the school, for the residents at The Orchards of Southington and in the evening for their family and friends. Also, fifth grade volunteers performed for the YMCA Giving Tree Ceremony. Fourth grade chorus began preparing six songs in January for their May spring concert. They performed for the school during the day and performed in the evening for family and friends. Sixty (60) volunteers from our fourth and fifth grade chorus performed at Southington High School for the Town-wide Choral Festival on June 6, 2012. First graders performed "School Days" (A Fish Tale) in June for the entire school and their family and friends in the evening. Kindergarten performed their Flag Day program for their families on June 14, 2012.

Instrumental Music:

This was another fun and exciting year for the fourth and fifth grade instrumental music students. Students continued to use SmartMusic, the innovative music software program, both in the classroom and at home. Several of the Hatton School musicians were invited to perform in the Silver Star Band and Orchestra. Highly motivated musicians performed solos on the morning announcements. Mrs. Sloves brought her "Con Brio" performing groups from DePaolo Middle School. The Hatton Orchestra performed a joint concert with them, which helped to ease the transition from elementary school music to middle school music. This was highly successful and all of the orchestra students will be continuing next year.



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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 data. Teachers in all grades and all subject areas actively participated in the implementation of these objectives. Our main focus was on writing.

Kindergarten: The kindergarten teachers used specific anchor charts for writing strategies this year (digraphs, nonfiction, how-to, word families and conventions to name a few). They integrated non-fiction writing with the science curriculum and had one-on-one conferencing with students, giving them specific teaching points. They implemented the five new writing units and planned weekly to make sure the students' needs were met.

Grade 1: The first grade teachers used the Daily Oral Language materials to enhance the writing program. Students wrote daily in class as well as having writing homework weekly. A published piece of writing was showcased at the end of each writing unit.

Grade 2: Teachers in grade two gave weekly writing assignments to their students for homework in order to stress the importance of writing both in and out of school. Teachers used modeling even more this year during their mini-lessons. Anchor Charts were created to enhance this modeling. Student/teacher conferences were held often in order to improve writing.

Grade 3: Teachers in grade three used the Read/Write/Think website with their students. They gave weekly writing homework in order to involve parents in the writing process. Students wrote Pen Pal letters and there was a focus on explicit grammar instruction.

Grade 4: Teachers in grade 4 also gave a weekly homework assignment in writing. They used Daily Language Plus with their students. They focused on conferencing skills and gave students meaningful teaching points. They used the Smartboard to enhance the instruction of skills.

Grade 5: Teachers in grade 5 focused on mini-lessons and conferencing with students in writing. For homework, students wrote written responses to reading. Students wrote essays and non-fiction written pieces in Science and Social Studies. They focused on peer revision and editing and also used Daily Oral Language for practice of skills.

KELLEY SCHOOL CELEBRATIONS:

- SPROUTS Mentorship Program
- Town meetings for ABC (Asset Based Classrooms)
- 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
- 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, PE, 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
- 100% participation in Young Author's Program
- Staff vs. Grade 5 volleyball game fundraiser for STEPS, fundraising for Relay for Life, St. Jude's Hospital, American Cancer Society, Bread for Life, Social Services
- Further development of leveled classroom libraries
- African Drumming Club
- Jazz Band
- Lucky Listeners Program
- Summer Slide Reading Program

ONGOING WORK/SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN:

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 writing. We met throughout the year to analyze data, review student work and improve instruction. We involved parents in the writing process by giving weekly homework in writing. It was our goal to show the value of writing both in and out of school this way.

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

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

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School Accomplishments:

Plantsville School continues its strong partnership with parents through a very active PTO. We continue to grow as a school community with children coming from various parts of the country and our participation in the Open Choice Program.

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 student 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 facility is full of diverse technology, development of technology skills has been at the forefront of our professional development. Teachers and paraprofessionals, and especially students, have used our interactive SMART Boards, document cameras, and computer technology in all teaching areas including our library/media center and adjacent lab. It is also not at all unusual to see children using the computer cart on wheels in the classrooms and in the halls.

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 two 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.

Plantsville School is fortunate to have a strong and supportive PTO. Along with our cultural 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

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classroom. The PTO also dedicates their time as volunteers in the classrooms. With our partnership with Calendar House, Plantsville students have continued their outreach to older adults in the community. We 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 firsthand 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 1:

The first grade literacy program is highlighted in the spring by their Young Author's 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 2:

The second graders also hosted Young Author's 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 firsthand about local history with a visit from the director of the Barnes Museum. The year ended with Pirate's Day or Beach Day, an integration of all second grade curricular work around a common, festive theme.

Grade 3:

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. They also became active recyclers after the presentation at the Science Center.

Grade 4:

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. Technology took on new meaning for fourth graders as they created a PowerPoint presentation on different states.

Grade 5:

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 begin our professional development in the Common Core that will drive our instruction in the future. The expansion of leveled classroom libraries will continue, especially in the area of nonfiction. 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 Elementary School 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 coordinated the musical production "Annie Jr." with 78 children participating. South End parents continued their fundraising efforts to sponsor cultural arts performances and field trips. This year, parent volunteers worked with students to produce a monthly newspaper, SEES News. The newspaper reporters helped administration by involving all students to choose a new mascot and design the logo. We are proud of our new mascot, Scout the Skyhawk. In addition, several fifth grade students worked with the music teacher to create a South End School song. Fifth grade students created a marketing strategy for promoting the new school apparel and created order forms to purchase items. Parents also created a publishing center to support all our student authors. South End continues to reach out to our community. The staff and parents held several fundraising activities to support Southington's Relay for Life event in June (\$5,000.00 was raised this year). South End held two food drives to support Bread for Life. Students also created cards for the troops overseas for Valentine's Day and Memorial Day.

This year, South End School housed one of the two district Extended Day Kindergartens. Students from Flanders, Hatton, Plantsville, South End and Thalberg were invited to participate in this intervention program for a half-day and then attend Kindergarten at their home school. Our first year was very successful and we look forward to continuing this program at our building next year.

Celebrations:

Extended Day Kindergarten:

- Poetry was incorporated into thematic units of study. Specific literacy skills taught included letters, sounds, sight words and rhyming. Students created a poetry journal that they brought home every Friday.

Kindergarten:

- A Kindergarten Family Literacy Night was held to teach parents strategies to use when reading with their child at home.
- The students authored many writing pieces this year. The students participated in a school-wide assembly about being "unique." They wrote about what they can do well and shared their special talents with all the students.

Grade 1:

- First grade reading celebrations included the creation of character hats, reading with other classes (Kindergarten and Grade 1), sharing a class vocabulary book and poster-making (nonfiction) and reading outdoors.

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- Use of technology continues to be developed. Throughout the spring, students watched webcams of bald eagles nesting and raising their young, as well as a black bear and her two cubs in their den.
- The classes took two field trips this year. The trip to the production of “Seussical” was part of an author study. A field trip to Hungerford reinforced scientific observations of animals life cycles and classification.

Grade 2:

- This year, the second grade team met regularly to create reading and writing focus lessons. They also worked with the literacy specialist who coached them on how to enhance their facilitation of reading mini-lessons.
- The second grade students participated in end of unit reading and writing celebrations. Parents were invited to the Animal Research Expert Book celebration.
- The second grade classes enjoyed a field trip to Nature’s Art where students participated in and learned more about the rock cycle and classification of rocks and minerals.

Grade 3:

- This year, third grade held three celebrations inviting parents in to share the students’ reading and writing accomplishments.
- The students were invited to visit the Mattatuck Museum in Waterbury. City officials extended an invitation to South End to tour the museum and learn about Waterbury’s history. The second field trip was to the Mark Twain and Harriet Beecher Stowe houses.
- Each year, the third grade students run Alex’s Lemonade Stand to raise money for the Alex’s Lemonade Foundation. Students read a story of Alex to every class in the school.

Grade 4:

- The grade four teachers worked with the literacy specialist this year to enhance their skills in teaching students how to write summaries. The intermediate team and literacy specialist created a comprehension toolkit with lessons designed to improve this skill.
- The two classes traveled to Eli Whitney Museum to explore some hands-on activities to support the science unit on levers and pulleys.
- The students worked on PowerPoint presentations for one of their social studies units on one of the regions of the country.

Grade 5:

- Students completed web-quests and shared their projects as part of a social studies unit on colonial America. They wrote scripts, created recipes and PowerPoint presentations.
- Students celebrated their non-fiction science reading/writing unit by presenting “Expert” workshops to all the intermediate students at South End School.
- Fifth graders worked in collaborative book clubs focusing on social issues.
- Students enjoyed a field trip to Sturbridge Village this spring.

Ongoing Work/School Improvement:

The South End School staff is committed to academic excellence and fostering a community of learning where everyone is respectful, responsible and safe. Our School Improvement Plan (SIP) is focused on improving academic achievement in literacy and numeracy. The staff monitored student progress, collected data, and made instructional adjustments throughout the year as

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needed. The support staff (including the math and literacy tutors) has been instrumental in supporting students in need of intervention by providing individual and small group instruction. We will continue to analyze data and refine our SIP 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 2012-2013 Safety Plan will continue to promote character building with the implementation of Asset Building Classrooms (ABC), 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.



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The Strong School staff continued to implement the School's Continuous Improvement Plan 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.

This year, as part of the Readers Workshop model, the literacy specialists worked with the primary teachers on incorporating the four parts of the mini lesson: Connection, Teaching, Active Engagement, and Link. As part of the Columbia Teachers College Coaching Program, the literacy specialists modeled the lesson and in subsequent lessons the classroom teachers on a grade level taught parts of the lesson and later the whole lesson. During this process, literacy specialists provided feedback concerning their strengths and areas that needed improvement. The primary teachers were very appreciative of the assistance they received from the literacy specialists. In the Writers Workshop model, the literacy specialists worked with the entire faculty on having them review the writing continuum during CIP meetings. By knowing this continuum, teachers' could now identify the level of their students writing and be able to provide their students with goals to achieve in order for them to proceed to the next level in their writing. As a result, teachers were able to use these assessments to drive their instruction. 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 and formed small strategy groups to assist students with special needs and provide enrichment to students who showed exceptional growth; therefore, students exhibited progress in math.

This year, the Strong School staff implemented the Asset Building Classrooms (ABC) Program. Each month, the staff planned activities around the asset of the month. Throughout the year, students earned "Blue Tickets" to win a stuffed dolphin, the school mascot. In addition, the staff created the Wee Deliver Program and students were encouraged to write letters to their peers to foster friendships. As a result of this program, students increased their assets in order that they could be more successful at school. During the course of the year, staff again implemented the Southington Education Foundation Grant, "Give Your Dog a Bone Business," which raised money for the Southington Animal Rescue. Also, staff acquired another grant "Good Morning Strong School" to set up a TV station that would broadcast Strong School news weekly. In the area of technology, staff continued to become more proficient in using the SMART Board and the document camera. Teachers utilized Raz-Kids, Lexia, Type to Learn, and other websites to improve academic skills. Students continued to become more proficient using word processing and PowerPoint. Lastly, the staff worked on a school-wide enrichment project, "One Grade, One Book". Each grade read and discussed one book and completed a culminating activity to enhance understanding of the story. For example, fifth grade worked on creating three movie

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trailers to provide information on the setting, plot, and characters of the book, The Watsons Go to Birmingham. Extensive research was part of this project. Furthermore, each grade worked on diversity, safety, and community partnerships. Lastly, in addition to field trips and cultural arts programs, students participated in the Summer Reading Celebration, Career Day, Read Aloud Day, Grandparents Breakfast, Celebration of Writing, Diversity Day, Field Day, National Trails Day, Flag Day, Earth Day, Band, Orchestra, and 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".
- Observed changes from caterpillars to butterflies/observed different types of fish.
- Planted seeds and watched plants grow.
- Put on an end of the year show for parents.
- Learned about dental health with a visit from a local dentist, Dr. DiRienzo.
- Learned about fire safety in the home and community from the fire department.

Grade 1:

- Compared and contrasted holiday cultures around the world.
- Studied different family traditions and created a Family Traditions Cookbook.
- Continued a community partnership in literacy with the Southington Rotary Club.
- Promoted home/school reading partnership through the use of reading logs and tools for decoding and comprehension.
- Participated in inquiry-based activities involving the life cycle of chickens, frogs, butterflies and mealworms.
- Developed enrichment through a grade level book, Stuart's Cape.
- Enriched the study of animals through a grade level read and extension activity.
- Enriched the study of animals through an in-school field trip where students had hands-on experience learning about animals.
- Promoted Bicycle Safety through a presentation by a parent/police officer.

Grade 2:

- The students celebrated diversity by participating in cultural arts presentation on Brazil's traditions/culture/celebrations presented by a Grade 2 parent.
- The students explored a variety of non-fiction topics to become experts. They then wrote books and created posters about their topics to teach others.
- Complemented the FOSS New Plants Unit with a field trip to Roaring Brook Nature Center.
- Local TV meteorologist, Joe Furey, shared his knowledge of weather as a culminating activity for our FOSS Air, Wind and Weather Unit.
- In social studies, students learned the history of the Town of Southington from the Barnes Museum and created brochures persuading others to visit the museum.
- Home/school connections were bridged through family math mornings on measurement and geometry.
- Participated in safety programs on "Stranger Danger" and "Bike Safety".

Grade 3:

- Created attractive Connecticut brochures for display board after researching our state.
- 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.
- Indian Rock came to visit and taught students about how they can help their environment.
- Enrichment activity with the book, Where the Mountain Meets the Moon, which incorporated the multiple intelligences.

Grade 4:

- Created PowerPoint presentations and iMovie to explain the West.
- Focused on characters, biographies, and nonfiction reading themes.
- Used the SMART Board to create lessons and teaching games.
- Implemented the document camera to illustrate student work and model lessons.
- Toured Panther Park to visit stations and learn about wildlife and recycling.
- Addressed electrical safety through a lecture from CL&P.
- Created a short comic strip based on a life of a famous person.
- Attended Sloper science field trips to learn through hands-on activities about habitat/ecosystems.
- Developed a partnership with Activate Southington to promote healthy eating.

Grade 5:

- 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 following the Scientific Method and completed a Science Fair Project applying skills and concepts learned.
- Interactive activities continued 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 Southington Education Foundation Grant, made gourmet dog bones and sold them to raise money for the Dog Pound. Visited Dog Pound on June 1, 2012 to make donations.
- Parents as Partners Book Club.
- Memoir Writing Celebration.
- Strong Weekly Newspaper.
- Old Sturbridge Village Field Trip.
- Mrs. Terry Lombardi, Board of Education member, presented a motivational speech.



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Introduction:

Reuben E. Thalberg Elementary School's student population is 425 and a Title I school. Major emphasis has been placed on technical growth, high yield instructional strategies, asset building, and to increase student achievement in the areas of literacy, writing and numeracy. We concentrated on building community relationships with veterans, school/business partnerships, and using our school resources to be innovative and enriching student learning. In keeping with Southington's mission statement, we engaged our students in a wide range of educational experiences. In short, we strove to make Thalberg a place "Where Children Soar and Dreams Take Flight."

Technology:

- We are completing the aim to have all 22 classrooms equipped with mounted SMART Boards and digital cameras. It will be completed during the summer.
- Two ELMO document cameras were purchased, bringing the total to three.
- Staff participated in technology workshops including SMART Board Interactive Orientation, Lexia, Wikkis, Podcasts, Bookshare and Read Live.

Interventions:

- Our literacy tutor was reduced to a .5 (from a 1.5) and our math tutor was reduced to a .5 (from a 1.0). This curtailed services to students needing intensive support. We firmly believe that our math and literacy support systems are vital to student success. Our math tutor worked with small groups based on needs in Grades 3, 4 and 5.
- Other interventions that were successful were: EIP, After School Book Clubs, Reading Clinics, CMT Boost Groups (Grade 3 for six weeks).
- Data Team: To monitor student progress and to develop data-driven interventions that meets the needs of non-mandated students.
- Primary Level Boost Groups.
- Two workshops were given for parents on how to improve their skills regarding reading and math readiness.
- Grade 4 math workshops designed to correct Grade 4 weaknesses.

Contributing to our Community:

- Fischer House: Monetary contributions were collected for this military veteran equivalent to the Ronald McDonald House.
- Andrew Hedberg Fund: \$5,000 was collected to support our second grader's cancer treatment expenses.
- Connecticut National Guard Operation Elf
- Grandparents Day had a large turnout with 420 guests in attendance.

Benevolent endeavors included:

- Monthly food drives for the Bread for Life plus over \$500 in contributions, Relay for Life, St. Jude's Children Hospital and a Thalberg Cares clothing donation for the community.

Ongoing Work:

- We have made substantial gains in reading, mathematics and science. We continue to focus on writing. New initiatives for next year will include three areas: Asset building, Connecticut Common Core and differentiation.

School Business Partnerships developed and continued:

- Southington Education Foundation – three grants were received
- Orchard Valley Garden Club - \$1,000
- UConn (Master Gardeners) \$250 grant
- Lowe's - \$5,000 grant/additional courtyard structures
- NOFA
- Price Chopper, Stop and Shop, Shop Rite – Tools for Schools
- TD Bank
- Southington High School Vo-Ag
- Oak Hill School

Cultural Arts donated by the PTO: Our students were enriched by participating in:

- The #1 Most Important Anti-Bullying Message
- Fun Filled Science Show (based on state science standards)
- Beardsley Zoo

This has been a fantastic year at Thalberg Elementary School "Where children soar and dreams take flight". This can be asserted by the measurement of achievement, by the use of analysis of data, and standards based curriculum. We measure our success one student at a time and the following are some of the highlights per grade:

Kindergarten:

- Readers Workshop – The students have been developing strategies to read "Just Right" books. Students bring these books home to practice fluency.
- Writers Workshop was very successful this year. The Kindergarten classes participated in several author celebrations at the completion of the units. Parents were invited to the celebrations.
- The Mother's Day Tea was a wonderful day to celebrate and show appreciation for moms. The moms enjoyed all of the wonderful songs the children sang.
- After a year long celebration of good character, we culminated our learning with a trip to Camp Sloper where the Kindergarten students participated in character building activities.
- In science, the students compared and contrasted goldfish and guppies as well as living and non-living things.

Grade 1:

- Our team focused on readers and writers workshop. We worked on perfecting our mini-lessons and trying out a handful of new writing techniques. One addition that went well was our “revising” area. We had reminders hung up on the wall of what to look for when revising.
- Toward the end of the year we focused on prompt writing by teaching it first thing in the morning. We scored writing prompts together and gave constructive criticism to each other.
- In math, we incorporated fractions, money and other difficult math topics into our calendar so the children would become familiar with these topics. We saw a huge improvement on the math benchmarks.
- Social studies and science were integrated into our balanced literacy program. This was our first year having chicks in our life cycle unit. It was unbelievable and something our students will always remember.
- Our team met regularly to discuss planning and how to incorporate diversity and other important events.

Grade 2:

- CMT written open-ended responses, conferencing, using mentor texts and interactive read alouds.
- Focused on increasing the student's independent reading stamina.
- In writing, we emphasized our writing units and workshop format by creating writing folders.
- Focused on writing units and workshop format, integration of technology – TTL4.

Grade 3:

- SMART Board technology was implemented and used in all classrooms.
- Reading and writing workshops were an integral part of all classrooms and included the following units:
 - Series book clubs (new this year and quite successful)
 - Mystery Unit (book partnerships)
 - Non-fiction Reading and Writing (including biographies)
 - Persuasive writing
 - Five paragraph essay (conservation unit)
 - Developing essential questions (cross curricular)
 - Poetry
- Students were involved in recycling paper for the entire school.
- Researched and completed report on Connecticut.
- As part of Connecticut history unit, students went to the Capitol, toured the Capitol building and state library; listened to the history of the state supreme court.
- Students completed a web quest project with SOAR as an enrichment activity using the mobile laptop cart.
- Indian Rock came to each classroom to do a presentation on Recycling and ways to help the environment.
- Several students participated in a Math-a-thon to raise money for St. Jude's Children's hospital.

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- All students published books for Young Author's Program.
- Students went to the American Indian Institute in Washington, Connecticut to enhance the social studies curriculum.
- By the end of the school year, all students were reading at least 30 minutes in their "Just Right" books (at home and at school).
- Two third grade teachers' piloted computerized standardized report cards for third marking period (went to computer training in May). All four classes participated in this.

Grade 4:

- Improvement was sought in making reader/text connections and the DRP strategies.
- Math / Readers Workshop (after school CMT boost groups).
- Enrichment Afterschool Programs: Math Enrichment, Lego Club – STEM focus and Southington Education Foundation grants.
- Partnership with Orchard Valley Garden Club.
- Poetry Evening in the garden.
- Garden Club – Everyday during recess – student volunteers.
- "Toolbox for Education" from Lowe's Grant.
- "Sustaining Learning in the Outdoor Classroom" – Southington Education Foundation grant.
- "What's cooking at Thalberg" - Southington Education Foundation Grant.
- Asset Building Classroom involving staff, students and parents.

Grade 5:

- Improving strand responses in reading focusing on non-fiction, historical fiction, and social issues.
- In writing, students composed and refined their expository writing by developing non-fiction books, persuasive essays, memoirs, and personal narratives.
- Our Growing with Math program provides students the opportunity to develop many strategies involving real-world problems.
- "The History Alive!" social studies curriculum helps students to understand our history, culminated by our field trip to Sturbridge Village bringing history to life.
- Students also continually have the opportunity to use the SMART Board to help integrate lessons.
- Students also learned about the law under Attorney Eric Daigle and participated in a mock trial at New Britain Court House.

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 most helpful in keeping our records current.

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). This year (2012) we held a mock referendum at Southington High School in conjunction with our mandated voter making 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 2011 election again featured our new voting technology. We will be using 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 will allow us more flexibility to bring the machines to senior centers, schools and the library for demonstrations. In addition to the 2006 election where 17,100 voters voted on 34,200 ballots (ballot was 2 pages) and the 2007 election where we had 8500 voters using a two sided ballot, we have held various referenda and primaries and the results were very successful. We had over 22 thousand voters vote in the 2008 Presidential Election. Except for minor morning delays because of a large early turnout the day went very smoothly. After a very short learning curve the voters are taking to the new procedure with enthusiasm. The equipment worked without problems and voters appeared to be pleased with the new process.

One handicap accessible machine per polling place was in place for both the Presidential Preference Primary in February of 2012 and will be used in the Presidential Election in November of 2012. 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 can register 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 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.

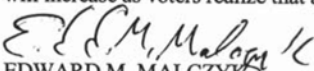
We regularly maintain a very elaborate web page on the internet with answers to the most frequently asked questions, of general interest, on registering and voting. Around election time we post the names of candidates and some information about the nature of the election, primary or referendum. We urge 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.

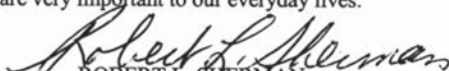
Our web address is [/www.southington.org](http://www.southington.org). At our web site you can ask any questions you have on voting and express opinions. As a result of our e-mail correspondence new "how to" information is periodically added about the mechanics of voting. You can also find the names and addresses of your elected state and federal officials.

The following is the number of voters who voted during the past four elections:

2009 Local Election (Southington) 8058 voters or 28.9% of those eligible to vote at that time
2010 Governor's election (State) 16,734 voters or 59.99% of those eligible to vote at that time.
2011 Local Election (Southington) 8041 voters or 29.3% of those eligible to vote at that time.

The 2010 Governor's election brought out a lower number of voters than the previous state election; the 59.99% turnout is quite disappointing. We hope that participation in future elections 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

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

Some of the major projects undertaken by the Engineering Department during the fiscal year from July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012 are listed below:

- 1) The Department assisted in the development of the former Drive-in property including site work, the new Community Pavilion, parking, and an all-purpose field.
- 2) During the Fiscal Year, the Engineering Department did considerable work on the North Center School conversion to Town offices. Staff worked on development of the site plan and building layouts, including overseeing the building construction of Borghesi Building & Engineering of Torrington. Engineering personnel coordinated the move of various departments in the former Gura Building along with renovations which are planned for Town Hall.
- 3) Engineering staff assisted Cardinal Engineering in preparing final design plans 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%. The Town prepared the design and estimates for the improvements to Whitman Road, which is the non-participating grant portion.
- 4) 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.
- 5) Engineering staff assisted in the preparation of the close-out grant documentation for the linear trail from West Main Street to the Cheshire Town line. The project was eligible for a 100% stimulus Grant of approved costs from the Federal government. The trail was officially opened in June, 2011.
- 6) As part of the Town's economic development, a State Grant was obtained for the construction of Triano Drive on Lazy Lane. Engineering staff inspected completion of the road improvements and provided the necessary documentation to the State of Connecticut Economic and Community Development to secure a \$250,000 Grant.
- 7) Provided contract administration and construction services associated with underground storage tank repairs at the Police Station. ETT Environmental Technologies was given the bid at \$33,730.
- 8) Provided documentation to State of Connecticut Economic and Community Development for the grant associated with the expansion of the parking lot at the Southington Library.

- 9) Assisted in preparing bid documents for the replacement of the hydraulic cylinder for the Library elevator.
- 10) The Town with the assistance of Silver/Petrucelli Associates bid out a roof replacement for the Barnes Museum, 85 North Main Street. The restoration of the Barnes Museum, which is listed on the National Register of Historic Places, was funded by a Grant from the Connecticut Historic Restoration Fund administered by the Department of Economic and Community Development. The low bid from Young Developers LLC of Northford, CT, including alternates, was \$80,558, of which approximately 50% will be Grant eligible.
- 11) Annual trench restoration contract, which includes permanent patching and miscellaneous construction work associated with utility patch repairs throughout the Town, was bid out. The low bid was \$75,771 by Birm-1 Construction Company LLC of Ansonia, CT.
- 12) A bid was prepared relating to various improvements to athletic facilities at Southington High School consisting of the excavation of the current football field and installation of a new synthetic turf field and the resurfacing of the existing 400 meter track, the installation of a drainage system and related work associated with the project. The bid was \$852,000 by ProGrass LLC of Pittsburgh, PA. The Town was able to negotiate an eight-year base and dynamic drainage warranty for the synthetic turf. The new track surface is to be guaranteed for a period of five years. The anticipated completion date for the project is October 31, 2012.
- 13) Work associated with drainage and radii improvements at the intersection of Newell Street and Redstone Street was completed by R. R. Hiltbrand Construction LLC of Bristol, CT in the amount of \$14,441.60. In addition to this work, the relocation of poles and wires was necessary in the amount of \$24,800. This project will help the Town's economic development in this area.
- 14) Staff provided assistance for the transfer, staging, and processing of storm debris associated with the October 31, 2011 storm. Approximately 57,845 cubic yards of storm debris was received at the old Drive-in property and the bulky waste site for processing. The material was reduced to 13,274 cubic yards and transported to a receiving site in South Windsor. Staff worked with Connecticut DEEP and FEMA to compile information necessary for partial reimbursement for solid waste management resulting from the natural disaster from Storms Alfred and Irene.
- 15) Design plans were prepared and staff worked with the Highway Department on the reconstruction of Aircraft Road and portions of Newell and Redstone Streets. A STEAP Grant was awarded for this project in the amount of \$250,000.
- 16) Staff provided assistance and GIS mapping to Vanasse, Hangen, Brustlin, Inc. of Middletown, CT, who performed a detailed evaluation on Southington's 203 miles of Town-maintained roads as a way of building a pavement management system. The study is the first step to identify the condition of Town-maintained streets comprising the roadway network system. Once the roads have been evaluated, the study will categorize, measure, and record the individual pavement distresses within each

pavement management section. This report will be useful in determining road repair unit costs for budgetary purposes.

- 17) Assisted in the preparation for RFQ's associated with architectural design for DePaolo and Kennedy Middle Schools. The evaluation of environmental proposals was also provided for this project.

SANITARY SEWERS

- 1) During the year, 108 sanitary sewer permits were issued.
- 2) During the year, the Marion Highlands sewer interceptor and lateral sewers were completed. The staff commenced on property research servicing parts of Mt. Vernon Road, Roseanna Road, Lagana Avenue, Humiston Brook Drive, and Hickory Hill Road for preparation of the final assessments.
- 3) During the Fiscal Year, construction of an interceptor from Mill Street to Farmstead Road was substantially completed. The portion to eliminate the old River crossing remains to be completed.
- 4) The design for the Queen Street Pump Station replacement is 90% completed. Historically we have had considerable flooding problems at this station and maintenance is becoming excessive due to the age of the station. The estimated cost is \$930,000. Funding needs to be put in place before the Town bids the project.
- 5) Staff prepared the final assessment figures for Assessment #34 for the Town Council public hearing held in February 2012. This includes portions of West Street, Williamsburg Drive, Reussner Road, Cedar Drive, Annelise Avenue, and Skyline Drive.
- 6) Construction is completed for the replacement of the Waste Treatment Plant influent pump station roof.
- 7) Planning and design work is completed for the Old Borough sanitary interceptor rehabilitation. The line is approximately 100 years old and is experiencing occasional backups and I & I problems. Preparation of the bid documents for the rehabilitation is underway.
- 8) The route for the West Side Sanitary Interceptor is being planned for future installation to encourage economic development in the northwest corner.
- 9) The Town is negotiating a scope of work with Tighe & Bond Consulting Engineers for a thorough examination of the existing Waste Treatment Plant and to address phosphorus requirement from the State of Connecticut DEEP.
- 10) Progress continued on the characterization of the Phase IV PCB pollution at the Waste Treatment Plant.

- 11) Construction was completed at the Treatment Plant to correct a surge problem related to the denitrification process. Woodard & Curran Engineers assisted the Town in preparing the bid documents.
- 12) Bids for Plantsville Settling Tank Bypass project were prepared with the assistance of Woodard & Curran Consulting Engineers. The work includes the abandonment of a 1920 sanitary sewer settling tank in the area of 55 West Main Street. Due to the age and condition of the tank, the project included bypassing of influent flows and complete abandonment and evaluation of existing sanitary sewer lines coming in and exiting the tank. A bid of \$114,691.20 was submitted by Trademark Contractors LLC of Bristol, CT. In addition, removal and disposal of water and solids from the tank and screen chamber will cost \$68,150. The project is due to be completed by mid-October.
- 13) The Town bid Misery Brook Sewer System Rehabilitation with the assistance of Camp, Dresser & McKee to address the infiltration issue on the upper Misery Brook sewer system in the Stonegate area. The project was bid at \$168,206.95 by National Water Main Cleaning Company of Canton, MA. The work includes approximately 2,500 lineal feet of cured-in-place sewer pipe lining of existing eight-inch and ten-inch sanitary sewer and the rehabilitation of approximately 25 manholes. The work was completed in early 2012, and infiltration which occurred in the past in the sewer mains appeared to be addressed.
- 14) Defend the Town against the contractor associated with the Pondview Pump Station construction.
- 15) Prepared on-call video and cleaning services RFP for the video inspection and light-to-moderate cleaning of sanitary sewer lines throughout Town. It is the Town's intention to investigate areas of concern and reduce the possibility of sanitary sewer overflows.

EXCAVATION PERMITS

During the year, 207 excavation permits were issued. These are for road openings required for utility installations.

SUBDIVISIONS

There were 12 subdivisions approved during the year.

SITE PLANS

51 site plans were reviewed during the year.

ZONING PERMITS

Zoning permits reviewed as part of the Planning and Zoning process totaled 481.

EARTH EXCAVATION PERMITS

Earth excavation permits approved during the year numbered 5.

SPECIAL PERMIT USE APPLICATION

Special permit use applications reviewed and approved totaled 18.

FLOOD PLAIN FILLING

There were 7 flood plain filling applications and approvals.

INLAND WETLANDS

12 Inland Wetland approvals and permits were granted.

ACCEPTED NEW STREETS – 2011-2012

<u>Street Name</u>	<u>Length of Street (ft.)</u>	<u>Acceptance Date</u>
Extension of Winding Ridge Road	1,600 feet	5/03/11
Extension of West Pines Drive	1,910 feet	7/19/11
Whispering Pines Drive	675 feet	12/14/11
Timberwood Drive	600 feet	12/22/11
April Lane	<u>470 feet</u>	3/21/12
5,255 feet = .99 mile		

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
Fieldstone Subdivision – Fieldstone Lane
Meadow Wood Estates – Madalyn Lane



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INTRODUCTION

The Department responded to 2,213 calls for service. As in previous years there were many times when the Department's manpower was stretched 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 personnel and apparatus to our aid.

The Town of Southington, along with the rest of the state, endured extreme weather conditions with Hurricane Irene in August and Storm Alfred in October.

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

In 2011 the Fire Department Truck Committee identified the mission for a new engine and designed a purpose built apparatus. The committee members include: Chairman Lieutenant James Paul, FF John Aldieri, FF Keith Glabau, FF Glenn Dube, FF Scott Lee and Chief Harold Clark. Bids for the new engine were opened on December 11, 2012 and was awarded to the low bidder, Ohio based Sutphen Corporation. The engine is approximately 50% complete at this time with an expected delivery in September 2012 to Five Star Fire in East Hartford, Connecticut.

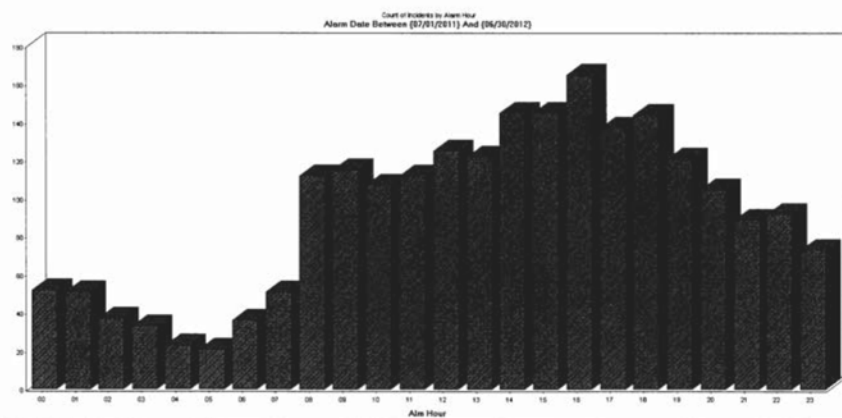
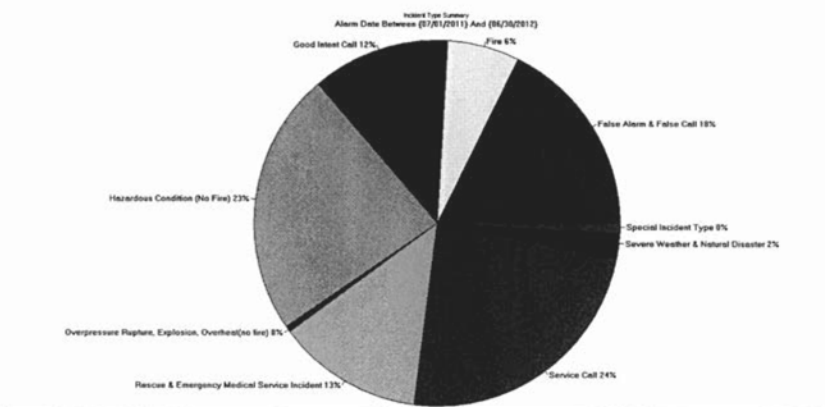
The Department hired an independent contractor to inspect all vehicles and apparatus. The inspection found multiple deficiencies. Many of the engines had to be placed out of service until corrected. The Department was faced with an extensive list of emergency repairs which caused a large deficit in the Vehicle Maintenance account.

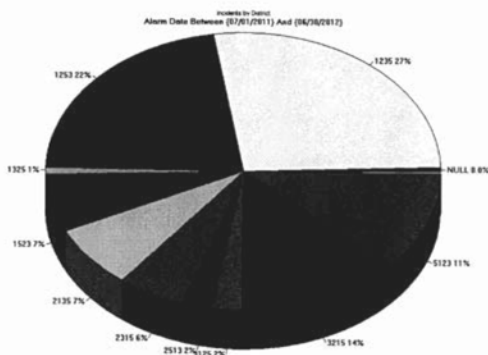
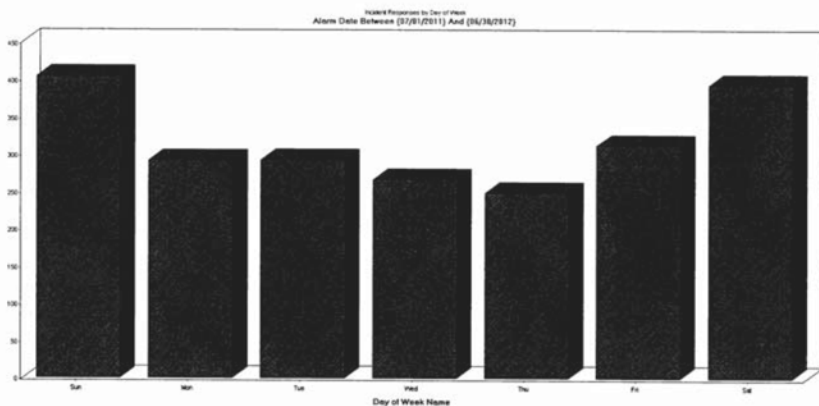
Southington firefighters responded to fires, motor vehicle accidents, medical emergencies, hazardous materials incidents, numerous types of rescue calls, and service calls. The Southington Fire Department operates out of four stations located strategically throughout the town. The Department is manned by a combination of career and volunteer firefighters. Staffing of on duty, 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 St. and has twenty-three volunteer firefighters, five probationary volunteer firefighters and two fire police. Company 2, located at 130 West Main St., has twenty-four volunteer firefighters, three probationary volunteer firefighters, three fire police and one probationary fire police. Company 3, located at 35 Clark St., has fourteen volunteer firefighters, two probationary volunteer firefighters and one fire police. Company 5, located at 75 River St., has ten firefighters, one probationary volunteer firefighter and two fire police.

EMERGENCY ACTIVITY

The Department's emergency activity comprised of: 142 Fire Incidents, 4 Overpressure Rupture, Explosion, Overheat Incidents; 285 Rescue and Emergency Medical Service Incidents; 517 Hazardous Condition Incidents; 542 Service Calls; 271 Good Intent Calls; 391 False Alarm and False Calls; 51 Severe Weather and Natural Disaster incidents; and 10 Special Incident Types. There was a total estimated dollar loss of \$2,411,076 and a total of 8,876 unit responses.

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





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

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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

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

- July 10, 2011 - 367 Sun Valley Dr. Garage Fire (residents displaced)
 - August 7, 2011 -16 Zwicks Farms Rd. Basement Fire (residents displaced)
 - August 28, 2011 – Hurricane Irene 83 calls for service
 - October 29, 2011 – Storm Alfred 300 calls for aid (shelter established)
 - November 2, 2011 - 45 Newell St. (Yarde Metals) Roof Fire
 - December 27, 2011 – Intersection of Rte. 322 Tanker Fire
- A significant hazardous incident occurred at the intersection of Route 322 (Meriden – Waterbury Turnpike) and Old Turnpike Rd. when a car, fleeing from Connecticut State troopers, crashed into a gasoline tanker truck. The crash caused a major fire involving both the car and the 8,500 gallons of gasoline in the truck. The incident lasted for many hours and involved emergency responders from throughout the area and the state. Although there was extensive damage to both vehicles involved in the accident, the incident had an incredibly successful outcome. There were no injuries, major environmental damage was prevented, and only a few hundred gallons of gasoline were lost.
- January 19, 2012 - 196 Clark St. Structure fire (multiple businesses Lost)
 - February 20, 2012 - 491 Darling St. Structure fire (vacant)
 - May 25, 2012 - 136 Rethal St. Kitchen Fire
 - June 11, 2012 - 26 Darling St. Fire in wall (multiple units)
 - June 28, 2012 - 17 Farmstead Rd. Roof fire (heavy damage)

MILESTONE

In January 2011, a program to train new volunteer members entering the Department was started. This program was designed to continue the Southington Fire Department's mission to recruit and retain volunteer firefighters. This program will be held twice annually with the hope of attracting new members each year. It was designed to map out firefighter development over a four (4) year period to allow the Department to ensure required minimum training for Connecticut fire services to meet 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). Since the program's inception, twenty-eight (28) firefighters have been recruited. Sixteen (16) members have graduated, five (5) members are scheduled to graduate this fall, and there are currently seven (7) recruits enrolled in the program. This program continues to be a success and will remain a priority for the Department.

Chief Harold L. Clark

FIRE PREVENTION

The fiscal year 2011-2012 proved to be very challenging for the Fire Prevention/Fire Marshal's Bureau. With the advent of many new state regulations that govern the frequency and reclassification of multiple occupancies, we needed to adapt and implement new inspection schedules and procedures.

Over 526 properties were investigated by members of the Fire Marshal's office, and 2,213 reports submitted to the Office of the State Fire Marshall.

The local Fire Marshal was also tasked by the State of Connecticut with the responsibility of issuing infractions to people found to be in violation of serious code violations. The tickets result in fines and potentially further criminal charges. Fortunately, we have not had to issue any tickets to date. It is our goal to achieve compliance through education and offering any assistance to businesses to remedy the violation.

FF Eric D'Arcy also started a program for Southington special needs residents called: Are You Prepared. The program is designed to help special needs residents with emergency preparedness. FF D'Arcy is also the Department representative for the Special Needs Registry Committee.

The Bureau sponsored the annual "Fire Prevention Poster" contest in conjunction with the State of Connecticut. The four local winners on the 2011 annual poster contest are: first place - Tyler Spinelli 4th grade and Julie Duszak 5th grade; second place - Brooke Cooney 4th grade and Sandra Robel 5th grade.

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. The Southington Fire Department works hard to constantly improve our delivery of service to our citizens, and our annual training is a big part of that. Training consists of ongoing educational programs for firefighters in firefighting, hazardous materials and infectious disease control that meet required minimum training for Connecticut Fire Services and state regulations set by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA). 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. Fire officers are also receiving advanced training in incident management.

The Department participated in, or conducted, over 500 different classes totaling over 6,300 hours. 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.

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. It is the Southington Fire Department's commitment to provide the best service possible to everyone that lives, works or visits Southington. Whether it is a medical emergency, a

fire emergency, or an emergency of another nature, we are committed to mitigating it as quickly and efficiently as possible with the resources at our disposal. We will continue to challenge ourselves through our training and education to ensure that we are prepared to fulfill that commitment.

Captain Training Officer Scott DiBattista

CERT

The Southington Citizens Corp Program (CERT) continues to be a useful resource for our town.

CERT team accomplishments for 2011-2012:

- Two of the CERT officers have been trained by DEMHS for the instructor level and are certified by the State of Connecticut.
- Over seventy-five members are trained in CPR.
- CERT members ran and set up a shelter for residents at the Calendar House during Storm Alfred.
- The fourth class of CERT members graduated in January and a new class is scheduled to begin in October 2012.
- Manage and maintain shelter supplies for the Town of Southington.
- Provide traffic and crowd control for the Apple Harvest Festival and Italian Festival.

Captain Peter Kurtz

RECOGNITION

The October 2011 pinning ceremony for graduating probationary firefighters included: FF Cory Brown, FF Jason Harnish, FF Tyler Lentini, FF Josh Martin, FF Jonathan Micalizzi, FF Louis Perillo Jr., FF Andrew Rennie, and FF David Rodriguez.

The May 2012 pinning ceremony for graduating probationary firefighters included: FF Joshua Blaschke, FF Ryan Clark, FF Richard Diaz, FF Travis Madore, FF Gary Parker and FP Ron Phillips.

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

Captain Peter Kurtz was honored for his service to the community by receiving the American Legion John C. LaFontaine Plaque for Firefighter of the Year.

Captain Alan Zygmunt continues to work on utilizing and adapting the Firehouse Software for accurate record and accountability maintenance.

Lieutenant James Paul, FF Eric Heath and FF Richard Molleur continue to maintain the Department meter maintenance program. Each month the meters are calibrated and rotated throughout the Department's apparatus. All repairs that can be performed in house have been done by these three fire fighters for the past several years.

Lieutenant Thomas Donnelly continues to dedicate many hours for the Department's IT needs.

Lieutenant Thomas Donnelly, with the help of Lieutenant James Paul, remains liaisons to Central Dispatch.

FF Richard Jones continues to maintain his Peer Fitness certification and helps promote physical fitness within the Department.

Captain Mark Saucier along with the members of C Shift: Lieutenant Douglas Roy, FF Thomas Golec, FF Robert Moquin, FF Glenn Dube and FF Scott Lee, continue to maintain all Department SCBA equipment.

Captain Mark Saucier along with the members of C Shift: Lieutenant Douglas Roy, FF Thomas Golec, FF Robert Moquin, FF Glenn Dube and FF Scott Lee, continue to host Red Cross blood drives semiannually at Fire Headquarters.

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. FF Dube also writes a monthly column on fire prevention for the Southington Observer.

Lieutenant William Higgins continues to monitor all of the Department's gear records and maintenance.

FF Eric Heath continues to work on FEMA grants for personnel and equipment. His hard work awarded the Department a SAFER Grant of \$720,556, which the Town Council chose to turn down.

FF Edwin Crandall continues to coordinate all emergency medical supplies and organization.

The 2012 elections of company officers resulted in the following appointments:

Company 1

Captain – Matthew Wisniewski

1st Lt. – Vincenzo Cirillo

Company 2

Captain – Richard Kowalec

1st Lt. – Douglas Kalwat

2nd Lt. – Brian Badgley

Company 3

Captain – Michael Casey

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 reelections of Robert Sherman as Chairman, Ann Dandrow as Vice Chairman and Mary Baker as Secretary.

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

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

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Ann Dandrow, Vice Chairman

Mary Baker, Secretary

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ANNUAL REPORT

Report of the Southington Highway and Park Department's accomplishments for the fiscal year July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012.

The 2011 / 2012 year was busy for both the Highway and Park Departments. The need for maintenance and improvement continues to increase due to a combination of public demand and the aging of our roadway and recreational infrastructure. Meeting these needs is becoming increasingly challenging due in part to the current size of the departments and the age of the equipment and vehicle fleets. Some fleet improvements have been made through the purchase of used equipment this year. In 2011 / 2012 there was also the opportunity to cross train some of the personnel on equipment that has an application in both the highway and park areas that helped to increase efficiency, and to work in a joint venture to complete the drive-in and pavilion area of Recreation Park and the lighting improvements at the Northern Little League field at the Memorial Park. The highlights of the individual departments will also be looked at .

The Highway Department was busy in several major areas of maintenance and construction as well as in the operation of the Bulky Waste Transfer Station. These individual areas of accomplishment are as follows;

1. **DRAINAGE MAINTENANCE AND CONSTRUCTION :** During the 2011/2012 season 15% of the catch basins were cleaned. The need for cleaning has been greatly reduced due to the use of salt only in the winter. All of the retention ponds were inspected and maintained as required as well as many of the major drainage outlets. Drainage improvements and expansion were completed on Newell St. and Aircraft Road, and substantially completed on West Center St.
2. **ROAD RECONSTRUCTION AND PAVING :** West St. (W. Center St. – Mill St.) and West Center St. (West St. – Raynor St.) were reconstructed by full depth milling, regrading, and a full depth pavement replacement. Mill St., Summit St., and Old Turnpike Rd. (Rte 10 – Carter La.) were improved with a 2" mill and a 2" overlay. These streets also had any necessary repairs made to their drainage systems. Construction for the widening of Newell and Redstone Streets was also begun this year.
3. **LEAF COLLECTION :** The annual leaf collection operation began on November 7, 2011 and was completed on December 21, 2011. During this period 29,888 c.y. of leaves were collected and delivered to our composting facilities. Also, all leaves from the previous year were composted throughout the 2011/2012 period. 4 Town staffed units as well as 10 vendor units were used for this program.
4. **SNOW / ICE OPERATIONS :** Except for the late October N'oreaster that dumped heavy wet snow and left many of the roads impassable due to downed trees and wires, the winter season was relatively mild. There were only 4 minor plowing events and salting operations only required 1,700 tons of treated road salt.

5. **STREET SWEEPING** : The sweeping program began on April 2, 2012 and was completed on April 20, 2012. The Town's 2 sweepers as well as 2 rented vendor units were used for this program.
6. **BULKY WASTE TRANSFER STATION** : The use of the Bulky Waste Transfer Station increased in 2011/2012. 24,024 vehicles passed through the facility, a 16 % increase. The increase in usage also related to an increase in disposal tonnage. 1,407 tons of burnable material and 668 tons of C&D material were brought in. This is a 2.5% and 15% increase respectively. The substantial increase in C&D disposal points to a substantial increase in contractor usage. The used roll off truck and dumpsters that were purchased have completely paid off the initial investment and provided a surplus cost savings of \$75,000 to the town.
7. **GENERAL MAINTENANCE** : Crews were also busy with the everyday maintenance of the town that consists of pothole patching, mowing, litter removal, general repairs, fleet maintenance, and providing assistance to other departments.

The Park Department was also busy maintaining and improving our many park and open space areas. The continuing increase in recreational programs and interest, as well as an aging recreational infrastructure present a challenging atmosphere for the staff of this department. Some of the highlighted areas are as follows ;

1. **TOWN GREEN AREAS** : The green areas in both Southington and Plantsville are a source of pride and compliment for both areas. This past year saw improvements and repairs to both of the gazebos, improvements to the irrigation systems at both locations, and flower bed improvements also. In Southington, the community sign was rebuilt, repairs were made to the streetscape lighting, and the pear trees pruned. In Plantsville, the flags and flower boxes in the downtown area were rejuvenated.
2. **LINEAR TRAIL** : On the phase 1 area, improvements were made to drainage areas of the trail, mile markers and pet waste stations were installed, and the Mill St. and Summer St. parking areas were kept manicured. On the phase 2 section, site line improvements were made at the Burritt St. intersection to improve safety, new benches and plaques were installed, and plantings were removed and relocated to promote proper growth and aesthetics.
3. **RECREATION PARK** : Several areas of improvement were done this past year at this park. The entrance area was enhanced by the planting of Flowering Plum Trees, the playground area was mulched to state specs, removal of diseased Pitch Pine in the grove area was started, surface rooting was addressed throughout the park, and repairs to the pool basin area were made prior to opening. Irrigation and fertilization improvements were also made. It should be noted that this park was plagued by graffiti vandalism this year that required a large investment of man hours to keep under control.
4. **MEMORIAL PARK** : As part of improving this park area, several areas were addressed. The upper grove area was thinned out and dead growth removed from many of the trees, the wading pool was repainted, the entrance area was improved with transplants, and the landscape boulders were relocated to provide for ease of maintenance and aesthetics.

5. **PANTHORN PARK :** The major areas of improvement at this park were to the parking area for the girl's softball area, and drainage, profile, and soil condition improvements to the men's softball field.
6. **GENERAL MAINTENANCE :** Along with the areas of specific improvement is the need for everyday regular maintenance. Park Department crews were also busy with trash removal, mowing, pool maintenance, restroom maintenance, athletic field marking, and playground repairs among other duties.

The professionalism, pride, and caring of the employees of these two departments continues to provide a road and park system that is one of the reasons people choose to live, work, and play in Southington. I am proud to head up these two departments.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Steven Wlodkowski', is written over a horizontal line.

Steven Wlodkowski
Highway / Parks Department Superintendent
Town of Southington DPW

The Southington Historical Society had a busy 2011-12 fiscal year, marked with new exhibits, programs and projects, the largest new exhibit being one that commemorated the 70th anniversary of the beginning of World War II. Collecting and amassing the items for the exhibit began in the middle of 2011 with many of the artifacts on loan from members, residents and collectors.

The WW II exhibit opened April 29, 2012, with a ceremony at the Southington Historical Society's museum at 239 Main St. "We're pleased to unveil our long-awaited exhibit that takes a look at what has been 'Our Greatest Generation,' who from late 1941 to 1945 fought the bravest fight to rid the world of tyranny and dictators who wanted to rule and enslave the planet," said Ken DiMauro, president of the historical society.

In addition, John DeMello Sr., a former commander of the Kiltonic Post American Legion, who is on the historical society board of directors, has been recording the memories of WW II veterans for the society's archives. So far, several veterans have been recorded for posterity. This project will continue even after the World War II exhibit ends its run at the end of 2012.

DeMello and the other members of our WW II committee have done an amazing, admirable job obtaining the interviews of surviving veterans and putting the displays in a way all generations and ages can appreciate and understand.

During the exhibit run, the historical society also sponsored programs and lectures that commemorated or focused on parts of WW II history. Ron Turcotte, a military collector and expert on the history of WW II, presented several of the lectures during the summer and fall of 2012.

In early 2012, the historical society honored retired Town Manager John Weichsel, the Polish Falcons Nest organization and the dedication of longtime historical society members and benefactors Anthony L. and Jennie (Marciniec) Urillo.

Weichsel was honored March 25, 2012, at the historical center for being Southington's first town manager for 44 years from 1966 until 2011. Weichsel and other officials were on hand as the manager's portrait was dedicated. Only three residents have been honored in this manner – Weichsel, Gov. Marcus H. Holcomb and Sylvia Bradley. Holcomb, a Southington resident for many years, was Connecticut's chief executive during WW I. The addition to the former public library building that now serves as the historical society museum was named after Bradley.

Ceremonies were held March 11, 2012, to mark the 100th anniversary of the founding of the Polish Falcons and to honor the lives and accomplishments of Anthony L. and Jennie Urillo, founders and former owners of The Step Saver publications and The Observer newspaper. An exhibit to commemorate the centennial of founding of the local Falcons Nest was unveiled March 11 with a display of memorabilia, photos, documents, trophies and other items. The idea to do the Falcons display was first proposed in 2011 by Mr. Urillo, who was active with both the Falcons and historical society. However, as negotiations for the exhibit progressed, Anthony Urillo died Dec. 27, 2011, at age 85. The display ended up being unveiled after his death, but the dedication of Urillo, his wife and family were honored at the March ceremony.

Responding to a request from Southington Public Library to assist in the library's efforts to digitalize old newspaper archives, the historical society agreed to provide missing years from the World War II era that the organization had in its collection. The library now has these old newspaper copies available for historical research. Some of the original bound issues of old newspapers such as The Southington News were in deteriorated condition, but have been permanently preserved for computer access.

Lastly, in June of 2012, the historical society elected new officers for 2012-13. The new officers are – Fern Wildman Schrier, president; Kenneth DiMauro, vice president; Lisa Jansson, treasurer, and Claire DeFrancesco, secretary. Arthur Secondo serves as liaison between the historical society and the Town Council. The historical society's officers and board of directors appreciate the support provided by the town to help maintain and operate the historic former public library building for use as the historical center museum.

Respectfully submitted,

Kenneth DiMauro,

President, 2011-12,

Southington Historical Society



Southington Housing Authority

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ANNUAL REPORT 2012

This is the 45th 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 \$45,500 for single occupancy, and \$52,000 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. As of June 30, 2012 the single list contains 181 applicants and the double list 14 applicants. New applicants applying in July 2012 can expect a wait time of 20 to 24 months for singles and 8 to 12 months for couples.

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.

Again this year weather extremes play a roll in the Authority's operation.

Hurricane/Tropical Storm Irene Sunday August 28

At Pulaski and Zdunczyk Terrace a total of three trees fell. Maintenance staff removed the trees. One additional tree at Pulaski Terrace required removal by a professional tree service. The trees caused no property damage.

Lincoln-Lewis and DiCaprio-Forgione Terrace experience a thirteen hour power failure. Generators supply power to the community hall and common areas. A number of residents assemble in the community rooms. One resident at Lincoln-Lewis Terrace requiring oxygen was evacuated and sent to a local motel for the night. Southington police assisted with the move and Southington Community Services paid for the hotel room. The Authority and tenant are grateful to both town departments for their assistance.

On Sunday September 4, a tree sixteen inches in diameter and approximately seventy-five feet tall fell onto the phone and cable TV lines pulling over one utility pole and blocked the entrance to DiCaprio-Forgione Terrace. Tree removal and utility repairs were completed in less than four hours with the assistance of AT&T. It appears this was connected to hurricane/tropical storm Irene. A professional tree service was contracted to remove two additional trees similar to the one that fell as a preventive measure.

Winter Storm Alfred Saturday / Sunday October 29 and 30

At all complexes snow removal and ice treatment consisted of 52.5 hours. Tree/debris removal consisted of 80 hours spread out over a three day period with 30 dump truck loads brought to the town transfer station. Electric power remained on at all four complexes. The trees caused no property damage.

During 2011-2012, the office continued to update computer software to streamline operations. The Authority continues to take a proactive approach on energy conservation participating in the Small Business Energy Advantage Program and the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Weatherization Assistance Program at the authority's four complexes. Apartment and community halls measures taken include: Ductless Heat Pumps/Air Conditioners, sealing and insulating existing air conditioner sleeves, exterior door weather-strip, upgrade lighting fixtures, faucet and shower heads. Also, Pulaski Terrace attic insulation upgrade, DiCaprio-Forgione bathroom exhaust fans vented to outside and Lincoln-Lewis Terrace windows replaced.

The maintenance staff prepared 23 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:

Pulaski Terrace Parking Lot Replacement - \$38,796.82
Pulaski Terrace walk-in showers - \$6,200.00
DiCaprio-Forgione Terrace Bathtub to Walk-In Shower Conversion - \$21,576.00
DiCaprio-Forgione Terrace Smoke Detector Replacement - \$1,861.13
Zdunczyk Terrace Bathtub to Walk-In Shower Conversion - \$26,970.00
Lincoln-Lewis Terrace Elevator Entrance Protection System - \$2,500.00
Lincoln-Lewis Terrace Elevator Cylinder Replacement - \$34,591.98
Maintenance - Scag Tiger Cat 48 inch Lawn Mower - \$8,649.36

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.

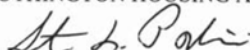
In July, a tenant picnic is held at each complex. The Authority supplies hamburgers, hot dogs and drinks with tenants providing side dishes and dessert. The year ends with a Christmas luncheon hosted by the Rotary Club. Approximately 100 residents attend each event.

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
Dennis P. Conroy, Chairman
David DellaVecchia, Vice Chairperson
Sharon O'Brien, Secretary
Agnes Bart, Treasurer
John J. Vey, Jr., Assistant Treasurer



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Southington Library & Museum

Annual Report 2011 ~ 2012

Southington Library is Southington's community center and premier resource for information, life-long learning and cultural enrichment.



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Fulfilling our Mission

More than ever Southington Library is Southington's community center and premier resource for information, life-long learning and cultural enrichment. Southington's citizens came to the Library in record-breaking numbers during the year to participate in events, attend programs and seminars, join book discussions and of course borrow books, movies, music and more!

As a community center the Library offered our citizens the opportunity to come together in a variety of ways. We presented over 300 programs on diverse topics ranging from creative writing to a visit from Jedi Knights and Imperial Storm Troopers. Many of these programs were filled to capacity and, due to limited space, we could not accommodate all those who wanted to attend. Overall attendance to adult programs was up a remarkable 37% this year!

During the unexpected October storm the Library was a welcoming sanctuary for people who lost power, many for 6 days or more. The Southington Library and Museum was one of the few public locations that had power. Residents occupied every nook, cranny, hall and floor space, recharging their electronics, using the Wi-Fi, or just staying warm with a good book. We set up extra tables, chairs and cell phone charging stations to offer our friends and neighbors whatever we could during this disaster. We were also a cooling center during the summer heat wave and a year-round destination for people who came in to sit quietly with a cup of coffee and a book or laptop in our café.

Your library, museum and wonderful book store are just another example of why we feel moving to Southington has been so enjoyable. - Grant and Delena S.

Our life-long learning and cultural enrichment programs reached a new level of sophistication with three new state-of-the-art programs:

- eTots - a program for children ages two to three that teaches literacy and technology through the use of iPads.
- Universal Class – on-line, college-level courses that are free to Southington library card holders. During the first four months we offered this program (March - June 2012) our patrons enrolled in 400 courses.
- Print & Go Museum Passes - our patrons can now print passes for most of Connecticut's best museums and cultural attractions from their home computers.

Good old-fashioned books were also in high demand. The literary phenomenon *Fifty Shades of Grey* topped the list of most requested books. Other popular best-sellers included *The Help*, *The Hunger Games*, and *Steve Jobs: A Biography*.

This year marked the completion of the Library's new parking lot. Now everyone can be sure of a safe place to park while they enjoy all the programs, services and materials we offer on a daily basis.

Here are highlights from each department:

Adult Programming

Summer of 2011 kicked off with ***Reads that Refresh***, our 5th Annual Adult Summer Reading Program. Over 550 enthusiastic library users participated by reading books all summer long and entering our Lucky Reader drawing. Community cosponsors, the Southington Chamber of Commerce and Bertucci's provided valuable discounts as incentive to keep reading. We also created *What are you Reading?* - a bibliography highlighting favorite books of prominent Southingtonians and other summer readers.

Southington Reads, always our most popular event, was a huge success. This year two books by Dr. Yvonne Thornton were featured: *The Ditchdigger's Daughters* and *Something to Prove*. Dr. Thornton appeared before an enthusiastic crowd of over 250 at the Aqua Turf and gave an inspirational talk about how she overcame tremendous odds to become one of the most highly acclaimed doctors in her field. One of the highlights of the event was the participation of Southington Alta students. The Alta students were encouraged to read *The Ditchdigger's Daughters* and were then invited to sit with Dr. Thornton and question her about her life-experience.

The generosity of our cosponsors the Calvanese Foundation, The Aqua Turf Club and the Friends of the Southington Library each year brings this popular event to our community of readers and learners.

Our *Author @ the Library* programs expanded with 10 programs featuring authors who spoke on a wide variety of topics including sports, the Civil War, lost treasure, second career choices, children, nature, bullying, the supernatural and more.

With a grant from the Connecticut Humanities Council we invited nationally-known poet Elizabeth Thomas to form and coach a Poetry Slam Team made up of Alta Students. Ms. Thomas, with the cooperation of English teacher Anita Holtz, coached the students and helped them write poems. The program concluded with the students performing their poetry at the Library. We also sponsored an Alta student art exhibit, with assistance from Target grant funds.

To meet the needs and concerns of those who are affected by the current economic hardships the Library partnered with several state agencies and local experts to present programs on debt management, credit repair, long-term care, avoiding foreclosure and more.



Celebrate the Arts Reception - December 2011

Other highlights of our busy program schedule include:

- *At Bat, a Literature for Lifetime* series cosponsored by the Calendar House and funded by the Connecticut Humanities Council.
- *Social Media in Our Daily Lives*, presented by the Southington Police Department and Southington Patch.
- *Viva Italy*, a musical tour of Italy cosponsored by Southington UNICO.
- *Writer's Workshop*, an eight-week long seminar, cosponsored by the Southington Arts Council, on memoir writing lead by author and literature professor Patricia D'Ascoli.
- *Backyard Gardening*, cosponsored by Southington Grange featuring Dennis Putala.
- *Harp Music*, a concert by music therapist and harpist, Marcie Swift.
- *Love your Library*, a month-long celebration that encouraged residents to honor a loved one with a book donation.
- *Healthy Living* programs on a variety of topics ranging from stress management to hospice care.
- *Couponing 101*, presented by couponing expert Gina Juliano.

Overall attendance at Adult programs was up over 30%!

Reference Department

The most memorable event of the past year for the Reference Department was what we called "The Great Power Outage" of October 2011. Our Library was featured nationally on the **Weather Channel** as an example of the type of assistance libraries were providing during the crisis.

- To accommodate hundreds of people who found themselves without power in their homes and offices we rearranged the adult side of the Library by setting up extra power strips, chairs and tables.
- Spot On, our Wi-Fi provider, was taxed to the limit and we coaxed as much bandwidth from it as possible to keep our wireless patrons on the Internet.
- We helped hundreds of people using our public computers.
- We answered a record number of telephone calls.
- The Reference Department served as a clearinghouse for information on local conditions.
- We advised people about conditions in town (i.e. when schools would open, and that Calendar House was a shelter).



October storm brings hundreds to the Library for information, power, warmth.

has been added to the Library's shared drive in anticipation of it being added to our webpage.

Reference staff continued with computer classes as well as innumerable individual lessons teaching patrons how to use iPads and Kindles to download eBooks through Overdrive.

Overall the reference staff answered 14% more questions compared to last year.

Lending department

The Lending department is experiencing an ever expanding workload as circulation continues to increase and the library continues to break previous checkout records. Checkouts for the 2011/12 fiscal year have increased 4% over last year with an average circulation of 1309 items going home with patrons each day. Summer is our busiest season. On Mondays in July/August of 2011 we averaged 2371 checkouts. On August 15, we exceeded previous records and circulated 2740 items!

Not only is the collection being used more, but more members of the community are actively engaged in using the library. New, updated, and out of town registration increased by 8% this past year. This was especially true during the October/November snowstorm. On November 2nd we processed (registered or updated) 67 new library card holders. On a typical day in November we process 16. Many thanks to the Lending staff for providing cheerful, patient and professional service, when they were experiencing no power or water at home themselves.

Downloadable eBooks are increasing in popularity with many patrons acquiring eReaders and different mobile devices. In order to decrease the wait time for our patrons to download the more popular titles from OverDrive, the library joined the Advantage Program. This feature gives our library, a single member accessing a shared collection, the ability to offer popular titles exclusively for our patrons.

To encourage patrons to "go green" and bring in their reusable book bags, we instituted a coupon program. Each time a patron brings in their own recyclable book bag, they receive a coupon worth \$.10 towards any future fines. This also helps to offset the new fine schedule that started July 1, 2011, when fines went from \$.05 to \$.10 for books.

Residents of Mulberry Gardens Assisted Living and Memory Center look forward to the monthly library visit. They receive requested items, review new titles through the Book Pages and upcoming best sellers list, and share opinions about their favorite authors. They enjoy the personal touch and interaction, and staying current on the hottest new releases. The library received a donation as a result of this program that enriches the lives of our less ambulatory patrons.

By the end of the week the staff (many of whom had no power themselves) was exhausted but extremely happy to be able to assist our patrons.

Other important developments in the Reference Department include a technological leap forward in our museum pass reservation system. Our new "Print and Go" pass system has resulted in a 30% increase in use of museum passes, allowing more patrons to use these passes more often.

The Historical Room is undergoing a major reorganization to make this collection more user friendly as well as to protect the room's fragile contents by using acid free storage materials.

Solvents Recovery superfund-site documents are now on CD ROM. The data has been added to our webpage.

Our library is such a "happening" place!! I love being able to take out movies and not having to pay for them. The staff is also very helpful - each and every one of them. - Loretta S.

The **Afternoon Book Discussion** continues to be in high demand. Despite a changeover in membership, there is still a lengthy queue waiting to enjoy tea and lively literary discussion at the Barnes Museum. *The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks*, *Cutting for Stone*, *The Pilot's Wife*, and *The Postmistress* were just a few of the notable titles analyzed by the group. The library has also added 17 new titles to the "Book Group Collection" this past year. 10 copies each of recent titles appropriate for discussion were purchased to support the various reading groups in the area.

Despite limited resources of staffing and space, the Lending Department strives to give timely, friendly customer service in a welcoming atmosphere to all who visit the Library.

Children's Department

The Children's Department continues to be an energetic and lively place for Southington's children. On any day at any time you can stop by the Children's department to see busy children engaged in educational games on our computers or improving motor skills in the Mark Henne educational game room. The puppet stage is also a popular location for impromptu performances for moms and dads.

The Children's librarians are dedicated to providing programs and classes designed to encourage and stimulate early childhood reading. New programs added this year include:

- *The Lost Arts*, a series that offers budding artists ages 9 to 12 the chance to reclaim some of the lost arts of the past and turn them into something brand new.
- *Picture Book Theater*, children ages 5 to 7 explore a picture book, gain reading and acting skills and increase their self-confidence through the theater arts.
- *eTots*, a progressive monthly program for children ages 2 and 3 that promotes literacy and technology through the use of iPads.
- *Book BeBop*, a drop-in story time featuring stories, songs and movement for children ages 1 and 2.
- *Apple Valley Artists*, children ages 5 to 7 are presented with an artistic inspiration, provided art materials and set off on an individual journey to complete their own unique masterpiece.
- *Halloween Costume Swap*, residents swapped their old Halloween costumes for new (to them) ones.
- *Book Swap at the Summer Reading Grand Finale*, attendees brought gently used books to the Summer Reading Grand Finale and were able to swap them for those brought by other attendees.



eTots in action

And old-favorites continued to be popular:

- *Rookie Readers*, a book discussion incorporating movement and art for children ages 5 and 6.
- *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. Four hundred people attended this year's performance.
- *1000 Books Before Kindergarten*, our award-winning, reading-readiness program remains one of the most popular programs offered by the Children's Department.

The Children's Department's collection development project for this year concentrated on replacing worn but well-loved popular materials. A thorough inventory of the collection was made and, within budgetary limits, new editions of classics and replacements for current materials were purchased.

New to the marketing of the Children’s Department was a redesigned newsletter, blog and a continuous slideshow that runs on a flatscreen monitor located above the Children’s Services Desk.

Children’s Librarian Cindy Wall wrote and received a \$3000 LSTA *Every Child Ready to Read* grant for a cooperative iPad/Literacy program with the Early Childhood Cooperative of Southington. This grant will allow the library to purchase four additional iPads and expand its eTots program.

Collection Management

It was another busy year for Collection Management. Once again, thousands of items were cataloged, processed and sent downstairs to the public for their enjoyment. Some of the highlights of the past year are as follows:

- Acquisitions: 2011-2012 was the first full year of using our new acquisitions system. The new system allows patrons to place holds on items as soon as they are ordered and offers more fiscal control.
- Public computers: We continue to upgrade and replace public computers as needed. This year we have replaced all 15 thin-client public computers to allow our patrons use of Office 2010.
- Changes to our collection: We have tossed out the “old” and brought in the “new” this year! Audio-cassettes were deleted this year, with more emphasis being placed on Books-on-CD. Videos were also weeded according to circulation history, and only the most popular remain in our collection. We are now concentrating on DVDs and Blu-rays, and trying to replace the most popular video titles with them. More and more patron requests appear for movies, and our collection of television series remains very popular.
- Another “new” feature is our digital media. In addition to our CDs, we now have eBooks and downloadable audiobooks in our catalog. Patrons can now browse for titles they want and link directly to the Overdrive where they can download items onto their Kindles, Nooks, iPads, etc. eBooks are rapidly growing in popularity and our collection continues to grow!
- We have also incorporated, at a great savings in cost, new DVD cases into the collection. These cases hold up to 6 DVD’s in a single case, basically the same size as a single DVD case. This not only creates much more needed shelf space, it also allows patrons to check these out at the self-checkout.

The Library staff is incredibly helpful and friendly. I have visited bigger libraries, but Southington staff is TOPS! - Anonymous Patron 3/13/12

We were busier than ever this year, not only with the new digital media, but also processing over 1600 DVDs! We also cataloged 1,000 more items than in 2010. As new features are added and technology advances, Collection Management remains one of the busiest locations in the library.

Library Statistics			
Library Use		Library Collection	
Southington Card Holders	33,635		
Circulation Transactions*		Books	118,244
Books	442,786	Periodical Subscriptions	117
DVDs/Video/Blu-rays	221,377	Newpapers Subscriptions	8
Audio (music)	32,126	Books on CD	1,601
Interlibrary Loans	5,910	Downloadable Audiobooks	5,793
Periodicals	13,445	Downloadable ebooks	3,602
Reserves	19,441	Music CDs	2,224
Museum Passes	2,363	Blu-Rays/DVDs/Videos	8,153
Downloadables	4,506	Computer Games	322
Miscellaneous	11,067	Total Collection	140,064
Total Transactions	753,021		
Program Attendance	Children’s	12,066	
	Adult	3,461	
	Total	15,527	
*Items borrowed and returned			



The Friends of Southington Library boasts over 150 current members including 35 active volunteers who staff the Friends Book Store on the Lower Level of the Library.

Due to the hard work and generosity of the our Friends group, the Library is able to offer Southington residents a long list of projects and services not funded by its operating budget. These include:

- *Fast Track Best Sellers*, multiple copies of best sellers are displayed on the Kiosk. There are always plenty of great books to choose from.
- *Downloadable Audio Books and eBooks*, new this year, eBooks for Kindle users and more content for Southington card holders.
- *Transparent Language*, our online foreign language courses offering classes in over 80 languages.
- *Constant Contact*, the Library's popular eNewsletter helping us keep the whole town informed about library programs and services.
- Scholar-led Book Discussions, programs includes *At Bat*: book discussions about baseball with freelance writer David Games cosponsored by Calendar House and the Connecticut Humanities Council.

- *1,000 Books before Kindergarten*, our award-winning *Ready to Read* program.
- *Books for Babies*, every baby born to Southington parents gets a new book.
- *What's Happening @ the Library newsletter*, quarterly updates of Library events and services.
- *Family-friendly DVDs and CDs*.
- *Attendance at the Public Library Association Conference in Philadelphia by Library Staff*.
- *Summer Reading Books for Tweens*.
- *Southington Reads*, multiple copies of *Ditchdiggers Daughters* and *Something to Prove* were purchased to fill the demand for Dr. Yvonne Thornton's popular books.
- This year a very special donation was made to the Library from the friends and family of Francis Siton which enabled us to create a special quiet study area for all to enjoy.

None of this would be possible without the dedicated volunteers who run the book store on a daily basis:

Joan Bauder	Marge Fuhrman	Doris LaRese	Ruth Riccio
Martha Benevelli	Janet Galante	Pat Monahan	Gabriella Roether
Terry Bernard	Robert Gionfriddo	Ellen Murphy	Michael Rossi
Francis Bona	Marilyn Gordon	Paul Norton	Joan Savio
Yvonne Burger	Diane Herman	Barbara Nugent	Virginia Siton
Jane Caddick	Andy Hubeny	Lita Nyren	Sandra Voorhees
Debra Casale	Claudia Hudson	Nancy Pasco	Joan Wallace
Barbara Curran	Judy Krafick	Marcia Piaskowski	Janice Walsh
Pat Cutrali	Pat Kucinkas	Roxanne Piazza	Madeline Zoni
Linda Ericsson			

Special "thanks" to the Bookstore Coordinating Committee [Doris LaRese, Virginia Siton, Martha Benevelli, Terry Bernard, Claudia Hudson] for careful management and oversight of the operation of this vital branch of our library community.

The Barnes Museum



Preserving Southington's history for future generations.

The Barnes Museum was once called "Southington's most valuable hidden treasure." But the secret is out. This past year was one of the most successful years in the history of the Museum in more ways than one.

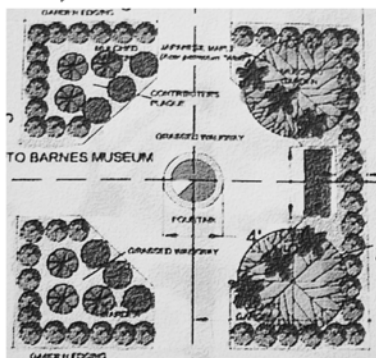
During the Summer of 2011 the Museum's celebration of the 175th Anniversary of the original homestead was in full swing and a feature article about the Barnes appeared in the July/August issue of *AAA Journeys* the American Automobile Association's official travel magazine. *AAA Journeys* also featured the "Two Centuries of Hats," our extremely popular exhibit, on their homepage.

One of the most exciting developments was the partial restoration of the Victorian gardens on the grounds of the Museum. Eagle Scout Leon Peschel drew plans based on historic photographs to recreate the fountain garden on the second level of the Museum grounds. He then solicited donations from local nurseries and organized volunteers to help plant the garden. His dedication and hard work deserve high praise.

The Museum also received a Historic Restoration Grant to replace the failing slate roof of the Museum. As of June 2012 work was well underway on this ambitious restoration project.

The number of tours conducted throughout the year increase by 44% and over 5,800 people visited the Museum. Special events during the year included

- *Call Me Lizzie*, Stephanie Jackson's moving dramatic portrayal of Elizabeth Keckly, Mary Todd Lincoln's dressmaker.



Leon Peschel's garden design

- *The 10th Annual Taste of Southington* on the grounds of the Museum featured delicious food from local restaurants, music provided by Southington's own "Dave and Dave" and free tours of the Museum. This popular event continues to grow every year and serves as an example of civic pride in Southington's historic district.
- Participation in the *Apple Harvest Festival Parade* including marchers in vintage clothing accompanied by a classic 1934 Lincoln Road Master.
- *The 7th Annual Antiques Appraisal Night*.
- *Castle Craig Photography Club* tour and photo shoot.
- *Victorian Valentine Exhibit* and *Victoria High Tea Party*.
- *Downtown Merchants Hospitality Night* and *Holiday Open House*.
- *Two Hundred Years of Hats*, this exhibit included stylish ladies hats as well had gentleman's top hats and derbies. It was one of the most popular exhibits in the Museum's history.

Curator Marie Secondo continued her popular "What is it?" program by bringing artifacts from the Museum into Southington classrooms to nurture youthful curiosity. Many of the students who heard Marie's talk visited the Museum with their parents to learn more about our town's history.

Professional historical conservator, Hugh Glover from the Williamstown Massachusetts Art Conservation Center visited the Museum to review state-of-the-art procedures with Marie. This complimentary visit was made possible due to Marie's participation in continuing education workshops for museum curators.

Transcriptions of materials and the additions made to the Museum's ever-growing digital files increased dramatically as has conservation of the Museum's artifacts.

- Eleven of the Museum's 52 diaries spanning 168 years [1815 – 1973] have now been completely transcribed.
- 1500 photographs were scanned and digitized.
- 27 pieces of sheet music were scanned and organized.

With the completion of the recent exterior paint project, a the new slate roof and the return of Victorian Gardens, the Barnes Museum will soon be restored to its former glory.

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Barnes Museum Staff

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Respectfully Submitted,

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Executive Director

PLANNING AND ZONING DEPARTMENT

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2011 – 2012 ANNUAL REPORT SOUTHINGTON PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

The Planning and Zoning Commission reviewed 65 applications during the fiscal year which is an increase from 61 during last fiscal year. The applications included one home occupation, two zone boundary changes, 8 subdivisions or re-subdivisions, 3 floodplain filling applications, 3 earth excavations applications, 16 special permit applications and 32 site plans for commercial and industrial projects. During the same period, the Planning and Zoning Department issued 447 zoning permits for new construction and renovations to existing structures. This permit activity is consistent with last years' activity.

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 revisions to process and regulations, 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 DeSanto, Paul Chaplinsky is the Vice-Chairman and Stephen Kalkowski is the Secretary. The other Commission members are James Sinclair, Kevin Conroy, Paul Champagne, and James Macchio. The alternates are Ryan Rogers, Jennifer Clock, Susan Locks and Randall Gage.

Respectfully submitted,
The Planning and Zoning Commission

BY: Mary F. Savage-Dunham, AICP, Town Planner
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BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS ANNUAL REPORT 2011-2012

Annual Report Introduction

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, 2011 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 (5) Supernumerary Officers (part-time), two (2) animal control personnel and a support staff that includes twelve (12) civilian dispatchers, one (1) substitute certified dispatcher, four (4) records clerks, one (1) maintenance person, one (1) court liaison person and one (1) administrative secretary.

The Southington Police Department lost approximately 150 years of Police experience with the retirement of Captain Gregory Simone, Lieutenant Edward Slodzinski Jr., Sergeant Peter D'Agostino, Sergeant Bradley Blatchley, Detective William Santarsiero and Officer Bernard Mullins. We wish all of them the best of luck in their retirement.

Seven (7) promotions were made during the fiscal year. Lieutenant Edward Pocock III was promoted to the rank of Captain, Sergeant Lowell DePalma was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant, Sergeant Michael Baribault was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant, Officer Stephen Elliott was promoted to the rank of Sergeant, Officer Frank Bavaro was promoted to the rank of Sergeant, Officer Michael Kahn was promoted to the rank of Sergeant and Officer Jason Watson was promoted to the rank of Sergeant.

The Board of Police Commissioners also had some changes during the fiscal year. Police Commissioner David DellaVecchia and Police Commissioner Margaret Nevelos retired from the board. This led to the appointments of Police Commissioner Nicholas DePaola and Police Commissioner Doctor Richard Montague. Police Commissioner Stephen Pestillo became the Chairman of the Board of Police Commissioners, Police Commissioner Nicholas DePaola became the Vice Chairman and Police Commissioner Doctor Richard Montague became the Secretary for the Board of Police Commissioners.

The Southington Police Department Patrol Division

The primary mission of the Patrol Division is to provide the community with the necessary 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 Patrol Division has a primary responsibility to respond to calls for service within the Town of Southington. The coverage area is approximately 36.9 square miles and has 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 secure community environment which enhances the quality of life for our Southington residents.

The Patrol Division has several resources which enhance the ability to deliver Law Enforcement services to the overall community. The department has three (3) K9 Units, Arno, Damon and Roy which 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, Southington and Plymouth. 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 seven (7) times during fiscal year.

The Department also has an Accident Investigation Team (AIT). 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 (3) 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 (8) 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 (3) 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 Investigative Services Division

The Investigative Services Division, also known as the Detective Bureau, is a support function to the Patrol Division. The Investigative Services Division is staffed by one (1) Lieutenant, one (1) Sergeant and seven (7) Criminal Investigators. Two (2) of these Criminal Investigators and one (1) Patrol Officer are assigned to the Narcotics Enforcement Team (NET). This division is commanded by a Lieutenant who reports directly to the Captain of Operations.

The Investigative Services Division is responsible for the thorough investigation of all major crimes that occur within the Town of Southington. Major crimes include homicides and other death investigations, felony assaults, sexual assaults, robberies, burglaries, felony larcenies. Investigators also assist patrol officers with investigations that require lengthy follow up. Members of the Investigative Services Division work closely with other local, state and federal law enforcement agencies; the State's Attorney's Office; and the Forensic Science Laboratory for the Department of Public Safety. The division is also responsible for the timely processing of hundreds of pistol permit applications that are submitted annually. All members of the division have received specialized training in the various disciplines in conducting criminal investigations and are strongly committed to their profession.

The Investigative Services Division continues to see a rise in identity theft and other fraud related crimes being perpetrated against Southington residents. Many of these crimes involve the use of the internet. Southington citizens should continue to use caution online and take the necessary steps to protect their personal identifying information; such as social security numbers, dates of birth, etc. While investigators have methods in identifying perpetrators in these types of crimes, there have been a number of occasions where perpetrators are found to be committing these crimes while in other countries.

Among the many criminal investigations conducted by members of the Investigative Services Division during the past year, there have been a number of significant investigations that should be highlighted.

- July 2011 – two (2) Southington residents were arrested in connection with burglary and vandalism resulting in approximately \$50,000 in damages to four (4) homes under construction.
- August 2011 – two (2) Southington men were arrested in the stabbing and robbery of a female over a narcotics transaction. Both men are currently incarcerated.
- November 2011 – A Bristol man was arrested in connection with a bank robbery at the TD Bank located on Meriden Waterbury Road. He is currently incarcerated.

- December 2011 – A Plainville man was arrested in connection with a convenience store armed robbery at the Cumberland Farms in Southington. He is currently incarcerated.
- February 2012 – a New Britain man was arrested for the brutal murder of his mother. He is currently incarcerated and his case is pending in court.

The Investigative Services Division will continue with their mission to conduct thorough, timely and lawful investigations of all major crimes that occur within our community.

The Narcotics Enforcement Team (NET) work out of the Investigative Services Division, however, it has a focused mission of enforcing the laws pertaining to the illegal possession, sale and diversion of drugs that occur within the Town of Southington. These efforts continue to be a priority for the department to make our community safer. During the fiscal year, the NET team made 85 arrests; 16 of which were based on long term investigations utilizing confidential informants and/or controlled drug purchases. Three (3) marijuana grow operations were eradicated; six (6) search and seizure warrants executed and \$5,382.00 in cash seized. Among the numerous investigations conducted by the NET team, there have been several significant investigations that should be highlighted.

- December 2011 – Two (2) Southington men were arrested in connection with a controlled delivery of 12 pounds of marijuana through the US mail.
- December 2011 – Two (2) Southington residents were arrested in connection with a burglary investigation that discovered 8 pounds of marijuana in a locked trunk. \$1612.00 cash was also seized.
- February 2012 – Four (4) Southington residents were arrested after a search and seizure warrant was executed which resulted in the discovery of a drug factory and indoor grow operation at the home.
- April 2012 – Two (2) Southington residents were arrested after the execution of a search and seizure warrant which resulted in the discovery of a drug factory and indoor grow operation at the home.
- April 2012 – Two (2) Southington residents were arrested after the execution of a search and seizure warrant which resulted in the discovery of a drug factory operation at the home.

The NET Team will continue with their mission of enforcing the laws pertaining to the illegal possession, sale and diversion of drugs that occur within the Town of Southington.

The Southington Police Department Support Services Division

The Southington Police Department Information Technology area continues to maintain the latest in mobile technology. Hardened Data911 mobile data terminals (MDT) and improved cellular connectivity allow officers greater flexibility in the field. We continue to work with Town Hall IT integration efforts, so that non-public safety IT resources can be maximized for efficiency. Wireless video initiatives continue to be popular and are currently used by the department on a daily basis. 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.

The Traffic Section of Support Services manages and maintains the police fleet from a global perspective. The 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 traffic section also reviews and/or investigates traffic hazards within the Town of Southington and continues to assess Rails to Trails safety as this area gains popularity within the Southington Community.

The Mobile Command Vehicle obtained with federal monies continues to be a valuable resource and had several deployments during the fiscal year. The most noticeable deployment was the tanker truck fire at the intersection Old Turnpike Road and Meriden Waterbury Turnpike. 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.

The Southington Police Department's Support Services Division continues to offer its Community Service/Crime Prevention programs throughout the Southington Community. Community Services/Crime Prevention is delivered in a proactive manner by listening to and assessing the Community needs, followed by a deliberate proactive response.

In the interest of delivering quality services, 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 on law enforcement topics, mentors students as a positive role model, provides assistance to school officials in regards to 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 teach the Play by the Rules Program At the middle school Level. This program is taught over a 15 week block. The program is aimed at 7th or 8th grade students and designed to be taught in conjunction with social studies and civics classes. Each class is set up to run between 45 and 50 minute periods. The program also teaches state specific laws aimed at youths and does this the following way: Knowledge: help kids gain practical knowledge about laws. Skills learned: life skills necessary for success. Action & Participation: Practice skills in various lessons connecting them to the community.

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 300 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 practical 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, 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, Special Needs registry, 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 and the Torch Run for Special Olympics.

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.

The Department's Support Services Unit Partnered with MADD to bring attention to the problem of drunk driving and the victims of this. This was done by a Walkathon one of only three held in the state.

The Department's Support Services Unit also formed an alliance with the nine different Condominium associations that make up Spring Lake Village. Working with them on security issues, lighting, natural barriers, and acting as a liaison to the department.

Southington Police Department Substance Abuse Related Incidents

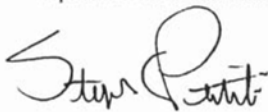
The Southington Police Department made approximately 94 arrests for Driving While Under the Influence of Alcohol *and/or* Drugs for this fiscal year which was a 6.81% increase from the 2010/2011 fiscal year total (88). Drug arrests totaled 178 for the fiscal year, which showed a 31.85% increase from the 2010/2012 fiscal year total (135). Alcohol related arrests involving minors increased by 7.5% (57) from the 2010/2011 fiscal year total (53). The Southington Police Department will continue to make substance abuse type incidents a community priority by using both proactive and reactive prevention enforcement techniques.

Southington Police Department Annual Report Conclusion

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 appreciates the continued support for the cost efficient, effective smooth operation of the Department. Only by cooperation and open communication, can we provide the best possible law enforcement to keep Southington a safe and peaceful community in which we live.

Stephen Pestillo, Chairman

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Stephen Pestillo', written over a horizontal line.

Board of Police Commissioners

**SOUTHINGTON POLICE DEPARTMENT
FISCAL YEAR REPORT FOR GENERAL POLICE ACTIVITY 2011-2012**

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SOUTHINGTON POLICE DEPT.

JULY 2011 - JUNE 2012

DATE	PARKING	PISTOL	VENDORS	PINBALL	RAFFLE	ALARMS	ALARM TAGS	REC.CKS.	ACC. REPTS.	TAX
7-29-11	230.00	840.00	43.00	280.00	25.00	45.00	.00	20.00	502.50	.00
8-30-11	415.00	1180.00	84.00	.00	20.00	50.00	.00	35.00	476.00	.00
9-29-11	665.00	700.00	370.00	.00	10.00	50.00	.00	15.00	534.00	.00
10-28-11	570.00	770.00	538.00	.00	.00	60.00	300.00	15.00	467.50	.00
11-30-11	155.00	140.00	.00	.00	.00	75.00	75.00	35.00	589.00	.00
12-30-11	919.00	280.00	28.00	.00	.00	40.00	.00	45.00	734.00	.00
1-31-12	519.00	910.00	.00	.00	65.00	65.00	175.00	15.00	803.50	.00
2-29-12	415.00	1470.00	28.00	.00	25.00	60.00	525.00	45.00	501.50	.00
3-30-12	1165.00	840.00	3.00	.00	10.00	50.00	125.00	25.00	676.50	.00
4-26-12	255.00	1540.00	12.00	.00	35.00	45.00	.00	35.00	299.00	.00
5-31-12	579.00	980.00	258.00	.00	.00	40.00	.00	20.00	863.50	.00
6-29-12	215.00	490.00	56.00	.00	.00	25.00	.00	15.00	999.00	.00
	6102.00	10,140.00	1,420.00	280.00	190.00	605.00	1,200.00	320.00	7,445.50	.00

PRECIOUS MET/AP FEE	PRECIOUS METAL PERMIT	PAWN BROKER	SERVICE MISC.	TAX	SURCHARGE	TOTAL FOR MONTH	TOTAL TAX	TOTAL SURCHARGE
.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	1985.50	.00	.00
50.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	2310.00	.00	.00
.00	125.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	2469.00	.00	.00
.00	.00	260.00	.00	.00	.00	2980.50	.00	.00
.00	.00	250.00	.00	.00	.00	1069.00	.00	.00
.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	2296.00	.00	.00
.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	2552.50	.00	.00
.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	3069.50	.00	.00
60.00	40.00	.00	17.60	.00	.00	3012.10	.00	.00
.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	2221.00	.00	.00
.00	.00	.00	2.75	.00	.00	2742.75	.00	.00
20.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	1820.00	.00	.00
130.00	165.00	510.00	20.35	.00	.00	\$28,527.85	.00	.00

July 2011 - June 2012
YEAR REC. TOTALS
\$28,527.85
SOUTHINGTON P.D.

**SOUTHINGTON POLICE DEPARTMENT
RECEIPTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2011 - 2012**

	Totals	Amounts
Burglar Alarm Permits	77	\$ 605.00
Pistol Permits (Incl. To Sell)	143	10,140.00
Vendor Permits	65	1420.00
Pinball or Pool Table Permits	3	280.00
Raffles or Bazaars	9	190.00
Fees for Accident Reports (Copies & Photos)		7445.50
Burglar Alarm Tag Fees		1200.00
Record Checks		320.00
Parking Tag Fees		6102.00
Precious Metal Permits		165.00
Precious Metal Ap. Fee		130.00
Pawn Broker Permits		<u>510.00</u>
		\$28,507.50

MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE		\$75,293.81
Amount received by Town of Southington From CIRMA for Workers Compensation For Police Department	TOTAL	\$103,801.31

SOUTHINGTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

FISCAL JULY 2011 – JUNE 2012

TOTALS OF MONTHLY RECEIPTS TO FINANCE DIRECTOR

2011

July 14	\$ 984.50
July 29	1001.00
August 15	956.00
August 30	1354.00
September 15	993.50
September 29	1475.50
October 17	1788.00
October 28	1192.50
November 16	633.50
November 30	435.50
December 15	1597.50
December 30	698.50

2012

January 12	1037.50
January 31	1515.00
February 15	1415.00
February 29	1654.50
March 15	2044.00
March 30	968.10
April 13	914.50
April 20	702.00
April 26	604.50
May 4	1003.50
May10	180.00
May18	290.00
May 25	752.50
May 31	516.75
June 8	892.00
June 22	333.00
June 15	324.00
June 29	271.00

TOTAL -----
\$28,527.85

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Director of Recreation

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ANNUAL REPORT SOUTHTON RECREATION DEPARTMENT 2011-2012

The start of the 2011-12 Fiscal Year brought yet another retirement for the second year straight to the Parks and Recreation Department. Longtime Office Assistant Gerri Roper retired from her position and was replaced by Julia Berardinelli in mid-August. Julia has been a wonderful addition to the department and has brought with her an abundance of knowledge and expertise in many areas that makes her a great fit for the Recreation Department.

This past year saw another solid year in registration in most of the programs and trips offered by the Recreation Department. A large participation by the townspeople, both youths and adults, made most of these programs a huge success. Some of the programs offered were fitness programs, which included a new program this year called Nia Fitness, dance lessons, swim lessons, theater program, golf classes, dog obedience, summer camps, arts and crafts, Middle School dances and many more. Music on the Green continued its success for the 18th straight year and continues to be a popular summer program, drawing thousands of people to the town green every Wednesday evening during the summer months for an enjoyable night of music by some fantastic bands. For all information regarding programs and trips, go to www.southington.org or call the Recreation office at (860) 276-6219.

The Youth Leagues that are sponsored by the Recreation Department continued to be very successful and offer our youths a variety of recreational sports to partake in. The leagues consist of basketball, baseball, football (along with cheerleading), girls' softball, wrestling, lacrosse and girls' volleyball. Thank you to all the volunteers for your time and efforts in making each of your respective leagues a huge success and an enjoyable atmosphere for all the youths involved.

The 2011-2012 seasons also saw the completion and grand opening of the Southington Community Pavilion located at the Drive-In site at Recreation Park. This first class facility, which is available on a rental basis, offers the townspeople a location to hold parties and functions of all sizes. Thank you to all those involved in organizing and constructing this wonderful pavilion.

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

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The Parks and Recreation Board consist of five members: John Fontana, Chairman, Michael Fasulo, Vice Chairman, Joseph LaPorte, Joanne Palmieri and David Kanute. The Recreation Department consists of David A. Lapreay, Director of Recreation and Julia Berardinelli, Office Assistant.

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,

David A. Lapreay
Director of Recreation

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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 2011-2012

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 such as 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.

Customer service and accuracy is our goal as we collect taxes and 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 convenience fee for each transaction directly to the taxpayer.

Attached is the report of property tax collection for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2012.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M. Dorau", is written over a horizontal line.

Marilyn Dorau, CCMC
Tax Collector

CC:
Emilia Portelinha, Finance Director

9-24-12

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

Report of Property Tax Collections for Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2012

GRAND LIST	TAXES COLLECTIBLE	LEGAL ADDITIONS	LEGAL DEDUCTIONS	TRANSFER SURRENDER	ADJUSTED TAXES COLLECTIBLE	TAXES COLLECTED	INTEREST	WARRANTS LIENS/FEES	AMT PAID TO TREASURER	BAL PER MONIES COLLECTED	CREDIT BALANCE	TAXES UNCOLLECTED
2010	90,222,066.09	32,767.33	(421,329.88)	(39,557.19)	98,793,966.35	97,595,209.05	253,094.25	5,132.32	97,853,435.62	1,198,757.30	138,082.10	1,336,839.40
2009	1,254,874.10	1,770.84	(29,391.80)	(24,459.89)	1,202,793.25	732,121.22	158,523.70	4,228.00	895,472.92	470,072.03	13,535.15	483,607.18
2008	599,921.19	454.51	(14,758.35)	(10,699.10)	561,918.25	324,405.58	125,627.32	1,572.00	451,604.90	237,512.67	4,700.11	242,212.78
2007	362,557.70	251.52	(10,977.31)	(1,782.13)	350,049.78	219,493.99	108,869.55	844.00	329,207.54	130,555.79	1,004.11	131,559.90
2006	112,584.82		(9,911.85)	(276.59)	102,396.38	30,975.33	17,574.36	408.00	48,957.69	71,421.05	315.03	71,736.08
2005	80,835.09		(9,522.15)	(72.84)	71,240.10	14,531.06	15,770.57	240.00	30,541.63	56,709.04	250.79	56,959.83
2004	38,499.82	162.75	(5,888.09)	(965.83)	31,818.68	6,637.54	7,986.08	120.00	17,432.62	25,181.14	4.29	25,185.43
2003	21,125.64	33.86	(5,327.76)	(206.97)	15,624.75	1,140.12	1,429.21	72.00	2,641.33	14,484.63	-	14,484.63
2002	15,030.07		(4,604.72)	-	10,425.35	325.30	254.10	83.37	662.77	10,100.05	-	10,100.05
2001	9,200.64	71.35	(2,189.84)	-	7,102.15	211.25	234.80	48.00	494.05	6,890.90	-	6,890.90
2000	7,572.22	54.04		(147.10)	7,479.16	1,879.94	3,235.58	24.00	5,139.52	5,599.22	-	5,599.22
1999	5,506.38			(73.01)	5,433.37	-	-	-	-	5,433.37	-	5,433.37
1998	5,838.76			-	5,838.76	-	-	-	-	5,838.76	-	5,838.76
1997	5,707.36			-	5,707.36	-	-	-	-	5,707.36	-	5,707.36
1996	5,772.09			(64.73)	5,707.36	-	600.00	-	600.00	5,707.36	-	5,707.36
Suspense	101,734,131.97	35,566.20	(513,901.74)	(78,295.38)	101,177,501.05	98,927,530.38	693,199.52	12,771.69	99,633,501.59	2,249,970.67	157,891.58	2,407,862.25
2010						1,214.62	203.21	28.00	1,445.83			
2009						23,304.34	6,441.17	152.00	29,897.51			
2008						16,520.02	6,852.04	90.00	23,462.06			
2007						5,203.28	3,331.54	36.00	8,570.82			
2006						3,190.92	2,884.24	34.00	6,109.16			
2005						2,776.45	2,711.35	40.00	5,527.80			
2004						2,055.39	2,235.52	24.00	4,314.91			
2003						1,090.61	1,441.39	20.00	2,562.00			
2002						472.95	735.06	4.00	1,212.01			
2001						68.99	103.34		172.33			
2000						745.58	1,390.33	4.00	2,139.91			
1999						2,053.48	4,286.24	8.00	6,347.72			
1998						218.67	479.60		698.27			
1997						647.87	1,517.02		2,164.89			
1996						204.94	522.44		727.38			
						59,768.11	35,134.49	440.00	95,342.60			
	101,734,131.97	35,566.20	(513,901.74)	(78,295.38)	101,177,501.05	98,987,298.49	728,334.01	13,211.69	99,728,844.19	2,249,970.67	157,891.58	2,407,862.25



Town of SOUTHTON, Connecticut

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

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

2011-2012

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. However, I am pleased to report this year we have experienced a solid increase over last year even though we are experiencing continued difficult economic times.

- **The "Bottom Line Contribution" in Net total fees this year is \$ 1,135,241 – an increase of 16.5%**
- **The Conveyance Tax revenue of \$785,390 is an increase of 21.5% from last year**

The volume of land record recordings increased slightly from last year with a revenue increase of 4.5%. The conveyance tax revenue, however, increased by 21.5%.

In the spring of this year Southington joined the CT Land Record Portal operated by COTT Systems our Land Record Vendor. The portal allows access to Southington's on-line land record index back to 1926 and to images of documents back to June 2001. There are over 30 Connecticut towns on the portal making searching land records for all of the participating towns available on line 24 hours a day, seven days week. As time allows, the staff in the Town Clerk's office is continuing the back-file conversion to add more documents to the on-line system.

Several town offices will be moving into the new Municipal Center located at the former North Center School building beginning in August. The Town Clerk's office will be remaining in the existing town hall building. As a result, it has been necessary to reorganize our vault space to better utilize the record storage space available to us. Last year some construction work was done and additional shelving was purchased using Town Clerk's special revenue money. This year the vault reorganization project continued with the purchase of two vital cabinets. The vital cabinets were purchased with grant money received from the CT State Library Historic Preservation Fund. Finding the space to house our vital statistic record books in a safe, secure and easily accessible area was fast becoming a problem. The two cabinets will increase our vitals storage capacity by 50%. Additionally, the system is expandable which gives us room to grow as it becomes necessary.

The town's website continues to be a big priority for the Town Clerk's office. This year the website was modernized, making access to information more user friendly. Additionally, we added a new town Facebook page. Town News, Events and special information posted on the website automatically updates to the Facebook site at www.facebook.com/southingtontownhall. Now 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, through government access TV which is operated out of the Town Clerk's office or by accessing our Facebook page.

The staff in the Town Clerk's office underwent some changes this year. In October, Julia Berardinelli was transferred to the Parks and Recreation Department. Ericka Witkoski, with her solid grasp of technology, has taken over the website and Government Access TV duties. It took several months before we were able to fill our office vacancy. We were pleased to finally welcome Tracy Fernandez in June. Tracy's willingness to learn and outgoing personality has made her an excellent addition to our staff. 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, MMC



Town of SOUTHTON, Connecticut

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

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK JULY 1, 2011 - JUNE 30, 2012

LAND RECORD DOCUMENTS (39,520 PGS 30 VOLS)	9,688
TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES - PAGES RECORDED	712
LIQUOR PERMITS FILED	90
VETERANS DISCHARGES RECORDED	54
TRADE NAMES FILED	143
MAPS FILED	86
SPORTS LICENSES & TAGS	1,458
DOG LICENSES ISSUED	2,647
DOG-KENNEL LICENSES ISSUED	1
TRANSFER STATION PERMITS	8,193

VITAL STATISTICS

BIRTHS-SOUTHTON RESIDENTS	317
MARRIAGES IN TOWN	225
MARRIAGE LICENSES ISSUED	220
DEATHS IN TOWN	312
BURIALS IN TOWN	254
VITAL STATISTIC COPIES ISSUED	3,368

RECEIPTS-FEES OF TOWN CLERKS OFFICE

RECORDING DOCUMENTS-LAND RECORDS	233,739.00
CONVEYANCE TAX	785,389.54
HISTORIC PRESERVATION FEES	24,675.00
FARMLAND PRESERVATION FEE	329,000.00
MISCELLANEOUS FILING, COPIES ETC.	35,220.25
VITAL STATISTIC COPIES	66,645.00
MARRIAGE LICENSE FEES	6,600.00
SPORT LICENSES & TAGS	17,501.00
DOG LICENSES	23,144.00
PASSPORT APPLICATION FEES	8,675.00
<u>GRAND TOTAL-FEES COLLECTED</u>	1,530,588.79

PAID TO STATE FOR MARRIAGE LICENSE SURCHARGE	4,180.00
PAID TO STATE FOR SPORT LICENSES & TAGS	16,996.00
PAID TO TOWN FOR DOG ACCOUNT	20,496.50
PAID TO STATE FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION FEE	16,450.00
PAID TO TOWN FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION FEE	8,225.00
PAID TO STATE FOR FARMLAND PRES FEE	296,100.00
PAID TO TOWN FOR FARMLAND PRES FEE	32,900.00
<u>TOTAL FEES DEDUCTED</u>	395,347.50

NET TOTAL

1,135,241.29


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October 24, 2012

Mr. Gary Brumback
Town Manager
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Dear Mr. Brumback:

Attached in the Annual Report of the Board of Water Commissioners for the year ending June 30, 2012.

Sincerely,

Frederick W. Rogers
Superintendent

ONE HUNDRED 1st ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS
FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2012

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 this point the Water Department has updated its Water Supply Plan and is awaiting approval from The State Department of Public Health.

Major capitol improvements that occurred during this year include the installation of mains on, Brookfield Road, John Street, Lynwood Drive, Madelyn Lane, Meriden Waterbury Turnpike Road, Newell Street, Pacer Lane, Pepperidge Drive ROW, Redstone Street, Spring Lake Road, and South End Road

ADDITIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS

A total of 1.38 miles of new mains were installed. Twenty-three (23) new hydrants were installed during the year. One hundred and sixteen (116) new services were added during the year and eight (8) services were retired. Three hundred and eighty (380) services remain inactive in the system for future use.

STATISICAL

	<u>July 1911</u>	<u>June 30, 2012</u>
Miles of Main in use, 1" to 4"	10.885	4.23
Miles of Main in use, 6" to 16"	<u>10.542</u>	<u>194.62</u>
	21.427	198.85
Estimated Population served-within Town	4,620	44,676
Estimated Population served-outside Town	-0-	544
Total Valves in use	189	2,420
Fire Hydrants, Public	90	1,405
Fire Lines, Private	-0-	270
Meters in Service	22	12,561
Active Services	986	12,744

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, 2011 through June 30, 2012

WATER CONSUMPTION

Rainfall for the period July 1, 2011, through June 30, 2012, totaled 61.50 inches, 13.58 inches above Southington's median annual precipitation.

The highest demand occurred July 22, 2011, when consumption reached 8.01 million gallons. This is 209.2 % of the average daily consumption.

Water consumption for the year:

From Reservoir	58,466,000 Gallons
From Well # 1	190,401,000 Gallons
From Well # 2	223,962,000 Gallons
From Well # 3	104,689,000 Gallons
From Well # 4	-0- Gallons
From Well # 5	-0- Gallons
From Well # 6	-0- Gallons
From Well # 7	26,143,000 Gallons
From Well # 8	25,180,000 Gallons
from Well # 9	768,111,000 Gallons
from New Britain Well	547,000 Gallons
Total Pumped From Wells	1,338,486,000 Gallons
Total Consumption	1,397,499,000 Gallons
Average Daily Consumption	3,828,764 Gallons

PLANT ADDITIONS
2011-2012

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

Miscellaneous Tangible Plant	\$	-
Land & Land Rights	\$	-
Structures & Improvements	\$	96,965.62
Collect & Impound Reservoirs	\$	-
Wells & Springs	\$	-
Distribution Mains & Accessories	\$	2,935,837.99
Meters & Installations	\$	31,838.85
Hydrants	\$	6,885.00
Pumping Equipment	\$	46,964.42
Treatment Equipment	\$	4,394.03
Office Furniture & Equipment	\$	14,140.00
Computer	\$	3,192.00
Communications Equipment	\$	-
Tools & Work Equipment	\$	1,220.00
Laboratory Equipment	\$	-
Transportation Equipment	\$	46,996.50
Power Equipment		
Miscellaneous Equipment	\$	-
	\$	3,188,434.41

9/27/2012

BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

The Board is organized as follows:

Erik E. Semmel, President	Term expires November 2015
Robert M. Berkmoes, Vice President	Term expires November 2015
Michael S. Domian, Secretary & Treasurer	Term expires November 2015
Thomas J. Murphy	Term expires November 2013
Angelina Santa Maria	Term expires November 2013
Gregory klimaszewski	Term expires November 2013

Respectfully Submitted,

SOUTHINGTON WATER DEPARTMENT

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Town of Southington

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ANNUAL REPORT FISCAL YEAR 2011-2012

During Fiscal Year 2011-2012, the Town's Water Pollution Control facility treated 1.853 billion gallons of wastewater (average=5.08 million gallons per day) and 606,000 gallons of septage. The yearly average effluent discharge results for this period include 3.7 mg/l CBOD (permit=30mg/l), 6.2 mg/l UOD (permit=27.1mg/l summer, no limit winter), 2.5 mg/l suspended solids (permit=30mg/l), and 0.15mg/l ammonia (permit=2.0mg/l summer, 20mg/l winter). Our average survival rate for all species for our aquatic toxicity testing was 99.5%. This facility also processed 3.9 million gallons of biosolids to 328 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 19.6 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 112 trouble calls, including 27 sewer blockages, 9 rattling manhole covers, 34 plant alarms, 23 pump station alarms and 19 calls found not to be our problem.

This fiscal year once again found many overdue projects being implemented. Among them is the cleaning and inspection of the trunk sewer line in Plantsville center, the solving of the "surge" problem at the de-nit facility, the elimination of two buried oil tanks at the Plant, replacing one with an above ground tank, the completion of the Farmstead interceptor project, the final design of the Queen Street Pump Station, the design for the elimination of the Plantsville tanks, and work on the Misery Brook interceptor to prevent future backups in the area. We also survived Hurricane Irene and Winter Storm Alfred, as well as the recent failure of our digesters.

One project still ongoing is the issuance of our new NPDES Permit with "phosphorous" effluent limits. We are currently in negotiations with our regulators to soften the impact of this edict.

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, our Chemist and the support of the Town Manager, Town Council and Sewer Committee.

John De Gioia
Superintendent
Water Pollution Control

Southington Youth Services

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Susan Williams
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Kelly Leppard
Youth Prevention Coordinator

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ANNUAL REPORT 2012

The Youth Services Department has just completed its 38th 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 3 years ago, was saved too. Our staffing includes a Director, 2 Counselors, a Secretary, and thanks to Year 3 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 STEPS, Youth Employment Service, Grandparents

Raising Grandchildren Support Group, Kristen's Kloset.

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



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 70 youth in individual counseling and served over 25 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 77 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 2 cases were reviewed and the students were diverted from the Juvenile Court to the Juvenile Review Board. The juveniles' accountability consisted of letters of apology, an on-line education program and community service. 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 15 sessions throughout the school year and reached 64 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 STEPS, and 2 of the Youth Services staff manage the Drug Free Communities Grant that STEPS was awarded in 2009. Kelly Leppard, our Youth Services Prevention Coordinator heads up STEPS and does the day to day work that is required to keep the initiative afloat. 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 was extremely busy this year. Upon entering Year 3 of the Drug Free Communities Grant, STEPS administered another student survey to all 7th, 9th and 11th grade students. This was followed by a Community Forum in March to present the results to our Town. Over 450 people were in attendance. The Parent committee launched a Parent Education/Media campaign regarding the social host law and dangers of underage drinking. The school system took on the training of "Asset Building Classrooms" teams for every school and the first Asset Building Transition Training was held for 5th graders going into 6th grade. Not only has STEPS gained a wide local presence, we are a nationally recognized coalition. Our efforts are changing the environment in our community and much of the work is being done out of this office. 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 16 jobs were filled and this year 23 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!

The **Southington Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Support Group** is supported by Southington Youth Services. Our group struck out on their own last year with members taking leadership positions and planned the monthly programs. They held 8 meetings throughout the year and even wrote a grant and received \$500 in funding through the Calvanese Foundation. Throughout the year, they had 35 grandparents attend the 8 monthly meetings and 6 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; even the Lt. Governor came to speak to the group. For the 4th time, our group co-sponsored a regional Grandparents Conference again entitled "The Not-So Empty Nest" with Plainville and Farmington grandparent groups. Ten grandparents from Southington were able to attend this year.

This was our 6th year of **Kristen's Klost 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 106 students with tickets, gowns, tuxes, shoes, jewelry, flowers and manicures and pedicures at no cost. It also included a shop at 1850 West Street, open during prom season where girls could purchase low cost prom items and 177 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 35 wonderful committed volunteers who ran the shop, putting in over 650 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 485 8th grade students.

Our **Parent Information Series** consisted of 3 parenting programs this year. Sessions discussed: "My Baby's going to Middle School!", "Bullying" and "You Just Don't Get It". Thirty-three 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 47 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 3 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. Thirty-six students participated, and the YSB Enhancement Grant, a grant from the Women and Girls Fund of the Main Street Foundation of \$2,400 and donations from the DePaolo Family Foundation, and a resident, Carol Besecheck made it possible to offer scholarships to students who could not afford the program.

We revived the Power of Confidence: Power Pizza program this year too. This one day, four hour session for 5th grade students exposed them to confidence building skills to prepare them for middle school. A \$750 grant from the Calvanese Foundation made this program available to any student who wanted to attend. Fifty-four 5th grade students took part in this program

"When I'm in Charge", a Red Cross certified program was offered 4 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.

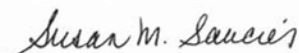
38 students participated this year.

We also offer the Red Cross Certified **Babysitting** Course because it is in such demand. We were able to hold 5 sessions this year and 61 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 9 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 \$38,505.00. 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

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Bryan M. Wysong, Secretary
Matthew J. O'Keefe
Joe LaPorte
Thomas Lombardi, Alternate
Ronald Bohigian, Alternate
Paul Beddard, Alternate
Dee Ahern, Alternate

ANNUAL REPORT JULY 1, 2011 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2012

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.

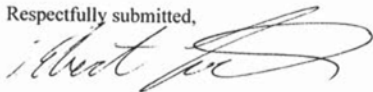
This past year, eighty-two applications were received. This was up sixteen from the previous year. Of the eight-two applications, forty were to vary the building setback requirements for new construction as well as additions to existing structures. Other applications included requests to vary the size of accessory buildings, vary the height, size, and location of signs, and to change nonconforming uses. Thirty-four applications were received for special exception. These included the sale and dispensing of alcoholic beverages, automotive sales and repair, chickens 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, Vice-Chairman Jeffrey D. Gworek and Bryan Wysong serves as Secretary. Other members include Matthew J. O'Keefe, Joe LaPorte and Alternates Ronald Bohigian, Paul Beddard, Dee Ahern and Thomas Lombardi.

Respectfully submitted,



Robert Librandi, Zoning Enforcement Officer

**TOWN OF SOUTHLINGTON,
CONNECTICUT**



**COMPREHENSIVE
ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT
FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2012**

Comprehensive Annual Financial Report

of the

Town of Southington Connecticut

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2012

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

TOWN OF SOUTHTON, CONNECTICUT
COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT
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Introductory Section

TOWN OF SOUTHTON, CONNECTICUT

PRINCIPAL OFFICIALS

JUNE 30, 2012

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John Dobbins, Chairman
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Administration

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Acting Town Engineer
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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

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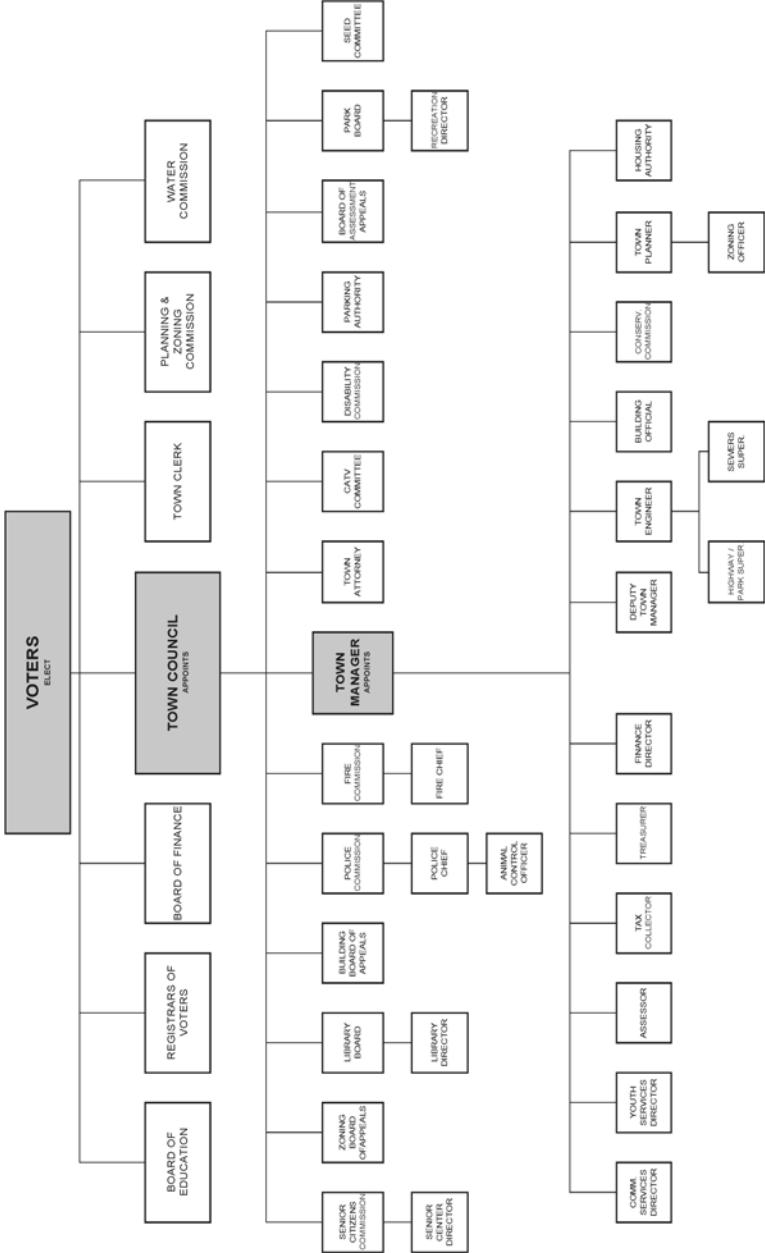
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TOWN OF SOUTHTON

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Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting

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Financial Report
for the Fiscal Year Ended
June 30, 2011

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December 26, 2012

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, 2012.

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, 2012 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, 2012 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 43,103 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, 2010 Net Taxable Grand list of \$4.1 billion is an increase of \$47.1 million or 1.2% over the previous year.

The Town’s Economic Development Department administers a program that focuses on retention of existing businesses as well as the recruitment of new businesses. Since the departure of the Town’s largest taxpayer, the Pratt & Whitney division of United Technologies Inc. in 1995, the Town has made strong efforts to diversify its commercial and industrial tax base to avoid over-reliance on one taxpayer or industry. As a result of these efforts, the Town has become less dependent on one taxpayer or industry as evidenced by the Town’s top ten taxpayers representing 4.41% of the October 1, 2010 taxable Grand List vs. 16% in the mid 1990s.

While the “Great Recession” continued, the Town of Southington and Economic Development remained proactive and optimistic. The Town continues its program of attraction and expansion as evidenced with the success of Industrial 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. The Town Council and administration continuously strive to remain competitive with area towns to create opportunities for employment and tax revenue growth.

- 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 SRS National for a 25,000 sf trucking facility.
- The Southington Downtown Renaissance effort continues its progress with the addition of new restaurants including Subway and CC Carver’s. 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 a \$1.5 million grant from DECD for demolition and a \$3 million Urban Act Grant administered through DECD for remediation. 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 completed 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.

In addition to the aforementioned, the following is a list of companies that have recently built, expanded or moved into empty buildings in the Town:

<i>Company</i>	<i>Facility</i>	<i>Origination</i>
Lazy Lane Industrial LLC.....	25,000sf new construction	New investment
Sno-White Power Equipment.....	9,300 sf new construction	Relocation/expansion from Plainville
Yarde Metal.....	150,000 new Mfg facility	Expansion of existing company
Donati Contracting.....	10,000 sf new facility	Expansion of existing company
Strollo Brothers Towing.....	5,000 sf approved	Cheshire company expanding to Southington
Malconn Towing.....	4,000 sf approved	N. Haven company expanding to Southington
Briad Development.....	110 room Homewood Suites hotel	New to Southington
Uconn Medical Offices.....	29,000 sf new facility under const	New to Southington
Dee Zee Ice.....	12,300 new ice mfg facility	New to Southington

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 unassigned 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, 2012, the Town has surpassed the target and achieved an 11.9% Unassigned Fund Balance.

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. For the first time in at least ten years, the Board of Finance and Town Council have decided not to utilize any fund balance to balance the fiscal year 2012-2013 budget. A truly balanced budget was adopted.

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, 2012, total direct indebtedness is 1.17 %.
- b. Total Direct Service shall be below 8% of general fund expenditures. As of June 30, 2012 total debt service as a percentage of general fund expenditures is 6.24%.
- 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 2012-2013 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, certificates of deposit and investment pools containing U.S. Government securities during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2012. The low and high earnings rate on money market and CDs was 0.20% and 1.75%, respectively. Investment income for the General Fund generated \$164 thousand which represents approximately .04 mills.

The Board of Finance is currently reviewing the Town’s fiscal policies, and will recommend changes as well as implementation of additional policies.

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.

Starting with fiscal year 2012-2013 the Town Manager will annually prepare a Five Year Capital Improvement Plan (CIP), which is reviewed by the Planning and Zoning Commission, the Board of Finance and the Town Council. The approved fiscal year 2012-2013 Five Year CIP includes various road, bridge, and sewer projects as well as major equipment purchases totaling \$53.5 million for the five-year period beginning with fiscal year 2012-13 and ending with fiscal year 2016-17.

Included in the Five Year CIP is a recommended Annual Capital Expenditure Budget for the current fiscal year. The 2012-13 Annual Capital Expenditure Budget approved by the Town Council, and citizen referendum when required, totaled \$11.1 million and included thirteen projects.

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, 2011. This was the twenty-first 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 Christina Sivigny and Debbie Landry 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,



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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, 2012, 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 of Southington, Connecticut'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 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 of Southington, Connecticut's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, 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, 2012 and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof, 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 26, 2012 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, 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.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis on pages 3 through 13 and the budgetary comparison information on pages 43 through 56 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town of Southington, Connecticut's financial statements as a whole. The introductory section, combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements and schedules, and statistical section are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare 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 certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements and schedules are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole. The introductory and statistical sections have not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements, and, accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on them.

Blum, Shapiro & Company, P.C.

December 26, 2012

**TOWN OF SOUTHTON, CONNECTICUT
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
JUNE 30, 2012**

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, 2012. 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 \$166.2 million. Total net assets for governmental activities at fiscal year-end were \$117.5 million and total net assets for business-type activities were \$48.6 million.
- On a government-wide basis, during the year, the Town's net assets increased by \$5.3 million or 3.3% from \$160.9 million to \$166.2 million. Net assets increased by \$5.7 million for governmental activities and decreased by \$393 thousand for business-type activities. Governmental activities expenses and transfers out were \$146.5 million, while revenues were \$152.2 million.
- At the close of the year, the Town's governmental funds reported, on a current financial resource basis, combined ending fund balances of \$21.0 million, an increase of \$1.5 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 \$16.7 million, an increase of \$1.6 million from the prior fiscal year. Of the total fund balance \$16.1 million represents unassigned fund balance. The unassigned General Fund balance at year-end represents 11.9% of total General Fund revenues (\$134.7 million), an increase of 1.5% from last year.
- The tax collection rate was 98.65% of the current levy, slightly less than last year's rate of 98.75%.

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 25 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 22 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 an internal service fund 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 42 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 43 through 56 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 \$166.2 million on June 30, 2012. Governmental activities assets exceeded liabilities by \$117.5 million. Business-type activities assets exceeded liabilities by \$48.6 million.

TABLE 1
NET ASSETS
In Thousands

	Governmental Activities		Business-Type Activities		Total	
	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011
Current and other assets	\$ 37,600	\$ 38,106	\$ 2,420	\$ 2,037	\$ 40,020	\$ 40,143
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	179,225	177,919	46,739	47,450	225,964	225,369
Total assets	<u>216,825</u>	<u>216,025</u>	<u>49,159</u>	<u>49,487</u>	<u>265,984</u>	<u>265,512</u>
Long-term debt outstanding	93,798	98,259			93,798	98,259
Other liabilities	5,487	5,913	517	452	6,004	6,365
Total liabilities	<u>99,285</u>	<u>104,172</u>	<u>517</u>	<u>452</u>	<u>99,802</u>	<u>104,624</u>
Net Assets:						
Invested in capital assets, net of debt	110,992	104,035	46,739	47,450	157,731	151,485
Restricted	631	1,032			631	1,032
Unrestricted	<u>5,917</u>	<u>6,786</u>	<u>1,903</u>	<u>1,585</u>	<u>7,820</u>	<u>8,371</u>
Total Net Assets	<u>\$ 117,540</u>	<u>\$ 111,853</u>	<u>\$ 48,642</u>	<u>\$ 49,035</u>	<u>\$ 166,182</u>	<u>\$ 160,888</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

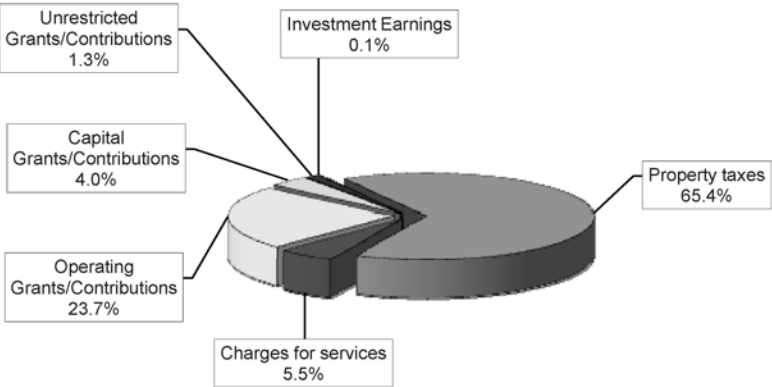
	Governmental Activities		Business-Type Activities		Totals	
	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011
Revenues:						
Program revenues:						
Charges for services	\$ 8,420	\$ 7,718	\$ 4,355	\$ 4,297	\$ 12,775	\$ 12,015
Operating grants and contributions	36,117	33,906			36,117	33,906
Capital grants and contributions	6,031	6,920			6,031	6,920
General revenues:						
Property taxes	99,471	97,004			99,471	97,004
Grants and contributions not restricted to specific purposes	1,930	1,755			1,930	1,755
Unrestricted investment earnings	195	219			195	219
Total revenues	<u>152,164</u>	<u>147,522</u>	<u>4,355</u>	<u>4,297</u>	<u>156,519</u>	<u>151,819</u>
Program expenses:						
General government	4,942	4,176			4,942	4,176
Public safety	20,436	18,711			20,436	18,711
Public works	11,082	9,402			11,082	9,402
Health and welfare	777	1,047			777	1,047
Human services	1,667	1,671			1,667	1,671
Parks and recreation	1,808	1,903			1,808	1,903
Public library	2,262	1,844			2,262	1,844
Planning and development	1,210	1,245			1,210	1,245
Education	99,324	94,128			99,324	94,128
Interest on long-term debt	2,370	1,621			2,370	1,621
Sewer			5,347	4,999	5,347	4,999
Total program expenses	<u>145,878</u>	<u>135,748</u>	<u>5,347</u>	<u>4,999</u>	<u>151,225</u>	<u>140,747</u>
Excess (deficiency) before transfers	6,286	11,774	(992)	(702)	5,294	11,072
Transfers	<u>(599)</u>	<u>(1,845)</u>	<u>599</u>	<u>1,845</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets	<u>\$ 5,687</u>	<u>\$ 9,929</u>	<u>\$ (393)</u>	<u>\$ 1,143</u>	<u>\$ 5,294</u>	<u>\$ 11,072</u>

The Town's net assets increased by \$5.3 million during the fiscal year, with net assets of governmental activities increasing \$5.7 million and business-type activities decreasing by \$393 thousand. The total cost of all programs and services was \$151.2 million. Our analysis below separately considers the operations of governmental and business-type activities.

Governmental Activities

Approximately 65.4% of the revenues were derived from property taxes, followed by 23.7% from operating grants and contributions, 5.5% from charges for services, 4.0% from capital grants and contributions, 1.3% from unrestricted grants and contributions and 0.1% from investment earnings.

Chart 1 - Revenues by Source - Governmental Activities 2012

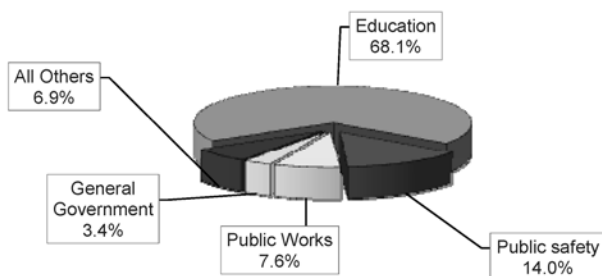


Major revenue factors include:

- Property tax revenue increased by \$2.5 million or 2.5% over last year. The increase is attributable to a 1.2% increase in the grand list (\$47.1 million), an increase in the mill rate from 24.02 to 24.28 or 1.1%, and an increase in prior years' tax collections and interest on taxes.
- Operating Grants and Contributions increased by \$2.2 million from \$33.9 million in fiscal year 2011 to \$36.1 million in fiscal year 2012. The major factor is the increase in the State funded Teachers Retirement Board contribution from \$6.3 million in fiscal year 2011 to \$8.3 million in fiscal year 2012.

For governmental activities, 68.1% of the Town's expenses related to education. Public safety accounted for 14.0%, public works accounted for 7.6% and general government accounted for 3.4% 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.

Chart 2 - Expenditures by Source - Governmental Activities 2012

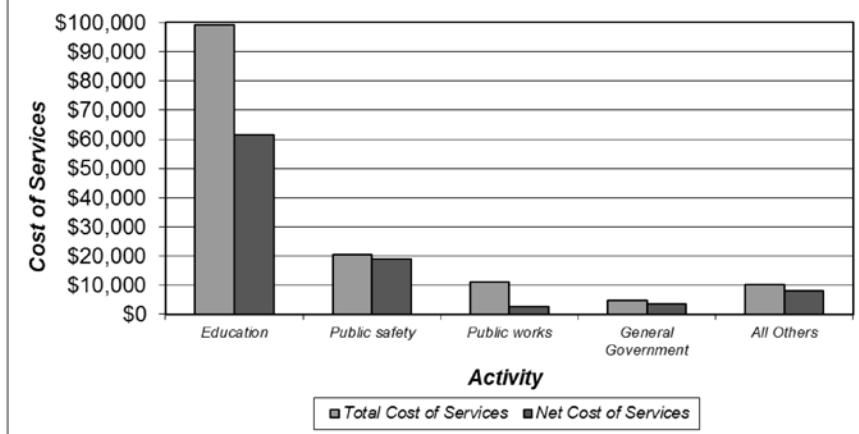


Major expense factors include:

- The cost of education services increased \$5.2 million over fiscal year 2011 due to higher operating, health insurance, OPEB obligations and special education costs.
- Town operating costs increased \$4.2 million due to increased OPEB obligations, 2% to 3% increases in wages and various other costs.
- Interest on long-term debt increased by \$749 thousand due to the increase in debt service payments as a result of the sale of \$15.355 million in general obligation bonds on March 1, 2011 and the permanent financing of the \$11.1 million Clean Water Fund loan for the new Denitrification Facility.

	Total Cost of Services		Net Cost of Services	
	2012	2011	2012	2011
Education	\$ 99,324	\$ 94,128	\$ (61,639)	\$ (58,061)
Public safety	20,436	18,711	(19,088)	(17,181)
Public works	11,082	9,402	(2,745)	(2,434)
General government	4,942	4,176	(3,716)	(3,079)
All others	10,094	9,331	(8,122)	(6,449)
Totals	\$ 145,878	\$ 135,748	\$ (95,310)	\$ (87,204)

Chart 3 - Governmental Activities - Cost of Services 2012



Business-Type Activities

Business-type activities (see Table 2) decreased the Town's net assets by \$1.5 million primarily due to the reduction in the capital assets paid for and transferred from the Governmental Activities in fiscal year 2012.

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, 2012, the Town's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$21.0 million, an increase of \$1.5 million from last year's fund balance of \$19.5 million. This increase is mostly due to the \$1.6 million increase in the fund balance of the general fund.

General Fund

The General Fund is the primary operating fund of the Town. As of June 30, 2012, unassigned fund balance increased by \$2.6 million to \$16.1 million in the General Fund, while total fund balance increased \$1.6 million to \$16.7 million.

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

- Property tax revenues exceeded budget estimates by approximately \$735 thousand. The surplus is due to the collection rate and the successful efforts of the Town to collect on delinquent taxes.
- Intergovernmental revenues came in over budget by \$776 thousand, mostly due to an additional \$450 thousand in the Municipal Revenue Sharing Grant, \$142 thousand from FEMA for Hurricane Irene, \$84 thousand more for the E911 Grant, and an additional \$73 thousand for the Educational Cost Sharing Grant.
- Despite the anticipated decline in the investment income during the FY 2012 budget process, the further decline in the interest rates made it impossible to achieve the budget estimates. The investment income category came in \$83 thousand under budget.
- The Town did not utilize budgeted fund balance of \$375 thousand.

- Several departments had aggregate cost savings creating the \$1.4 million expenditure under budget. Of this amount, \$496 thousand was assigned to fiscal year 2013 for continued appropriations.
- Debt Service costs were \$183 thousand less than original budget due to the Refunding of \$8,745,000 of General Obligation Bonds issued in 2011.
- The Town returned \$385 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 \$48.6 million. Unrestricted net assets were \$1.9 million, an increase of \$318 thousand. The Sewer Fund experienced an operating loss of \$992 thousand, and \$599 thousand of capital assets were contributed from the Capital Fund.

Net assets of the Health Insurance Fund were \$2.9 million. The Internal Service Fund's unrestricted net assets decreased by \$809 thousand, from \$3.7 million. The Town's medical claims and fees came in \$592 higher than budgeted, and the IBNR came in \$217 thousand higher than at 2011 fiscal year-end.

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

The Town's adopted General Fund budget for 2011-2012 was \$125.0 million (\$124.15 million for expenditures plus \$850 thousand for contingency appropriations). In addition to the \$465 thousand which was appropriated from the Contingency Fund, the Town appropriated \$586 million to the expenditure budget with corresponding revenue budget increases, and \$962 thousand was appropriated per fiscal year 2011 designation, for a total amended budget of \$126.6 million. The following lists the key changes to the budget during the year:

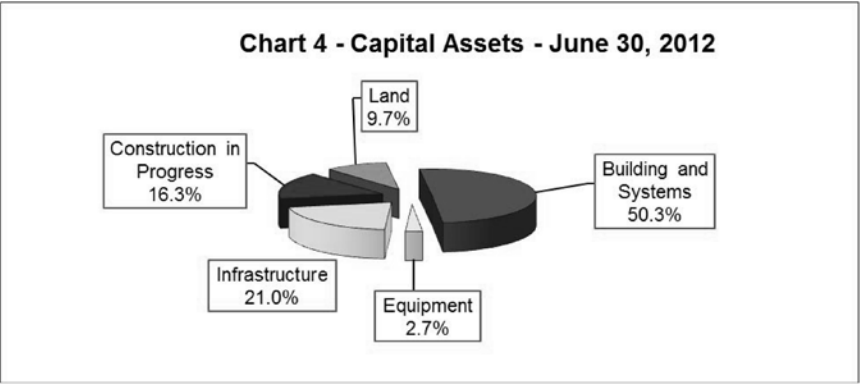
- \$962 thousand was appropriated for the amount of Fund Balance Assigned for Continued Appropriations at the end of fiscal year 2011.
- \$211 thousand was appropriated to the Board of Education Operations for preschool and special education outside tuitions, and rent revenues received.
- \$122 thousand additional was appropriated to the Accumulated Payout Account due to the retirement of seven long-term employees and the departure of an eighth employee.
- \$182 thousand was appropriated to the Fire Department for the following: \$80 thousand for Overtime Pay; \$52 thousand for Volunteer Firefighter; and \$50 thousand for Vehicle Maintenance. These funds were needed due to the two hurricanes, as well as other lesser events.
- Savings from various departments were combined to buy down future costs:
 - \$630 thousand to Capital Budget – Widen, Resurface and Drainage to cash fund FY 2013 road repairs that will not be bonded.
 - \$200 thousand to the Environmental Problems Budget to cash fund the balance of the final NRD payment and the cash call due this fiscal year for the Old Southington Landfill, as well as half of the cash call due in fiscal year 2014. (The \$420 thousand Bond Ordinance authorized and unissued will not be utilized.)
 - \$100 thousand to the Capital Budget – Pondview Pump Station account for Legal Fees.
 - \$100 thousand to Town Hall- Building Maintenance to do some minor renovations including paint walls and replace carpeting.
- \$416 thousand additional was appropriated for the following Capital Projects: \$150 thousand for the Pondview Pump Station legal costs; \$210 thousand for Widen, Resurface, and Drainage from the Water Department for Center Street work; \$23 thousand for the Drive-in Park Development; and \$33 thousand for various other projects.

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, 2012 totaled to \$225.9 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 \$600 thousand or a 0.3% increase over last year.

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

	Governmental Activities		Business-Type Activities		Totals	
	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011
Land	\$ 21.9	\$ 19.5	\$	\$	\$ 21.9	\$ 19.5
Buildings and systems	67.0	69.2	46.7	47.4	113.7	116.6
Equipment	6.0	5.4			6.0	5.4
Infrastructure	47.4	47.1			47.4	47.1
Construction in progress	36.9	36.7			36.9	36.7
Totals	\$ 179.2	\$ 177.9	\$ 46.7	\$ 47.4	\$ 225.9	\$ 225.3



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.

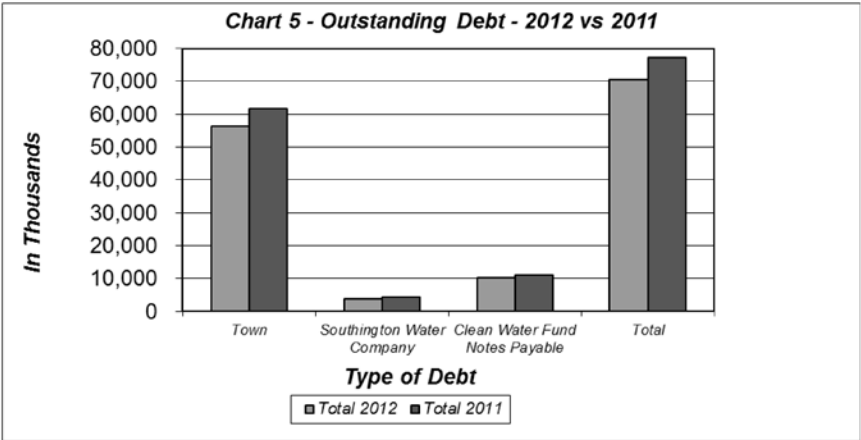


TABLE 4
OUTSTANDING DEBT, AT YEAR-END
In Thousands

	Governmental Activities		Business-Type Activities		Totals	
	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011
General obligation bonds:						
Town	\$ 56,410	\$ 61,665	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 56,410	\$ 61,665
Southington Water Company	3,900	4,360			3,900	4,360
Clean Water Fund Notes Payable	10,230	11,068			10,230	11,068
Total	<u>\$ 70,540</u>	<u>\$ 77,093</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 70,540</u>	<u>\$ 77,093</u>

The Town of Southington’s bonded debt decreased by \$6.6 million or 8.5% during the 2011-2012 fiscal year.

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 \$696.3 million. As of June 30, 2012, the Town recorded long-term debt of \$156.7 million, well below the statutory debt limits. (This includes the full \$85 million authorized and unissued for Kennedy Middle School Renovation and DePaolo School Renovation. Southington is eligible for School Construction Grants up to a maximum of \$44.5 million on these two projects.)

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, 2012 was 7.1%, a 0.30% decrease from the same time last year. Although the Town's unemployment rate increased very quickly to a fiscal year 2010 high of 8%, it is taking much longer to descend. Leading economic indicators continue to indicate the continuation of a slow economic rebound.

The Town's unemployment rate still compares favorably to the 8.4% for the State of Connecticut and the 8.2% nationally. The high unemployment rates continue to be a major concern nationwide in this recessionary environment.

Elected and appointed officials considered these factors, among others, when setting the fiscal year 2012 - 2013 General Fund budget and tax rates.

As previously stated, the General Fund total fund balance increased from \$15.1 million at June 30, 2011 to \$16.7 million at June 30, 2012. Of this \$16.7 million General Fund balance, \$84 thousand was nonspendable due to form (inventory accounts), and \$496 thousand was assigned (for continued appropriations), leaving an unassigned fund balance of \$16.1 million in the General Fund at June 30, 2012. 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 \$127.7 million for 2012-2013 compared to an adopted budget of \$125.0 million for 2011-2012, for an overall increase of \$2.7 million or 2.2%. Of this amount, the Board of Education budget increased \$2.8 million and the Town budget decreased by \$122 thousand. \$1.2 million of the Board of Education increase is to make up the fiscal cliff created by a one-time Jobs Grant received from the State of Connecticut in fiscal year 2011-2012. The remainder of the increase is for School Operations to meet increasing personnel services, additional special education costs and unfunded mandates. The Board of Finance initiated and the Town Council adopted the first fully balanced budget, not utilizing any "use of fund balance" to balance the budget for the first time in at least ten years.

If these estimates are realized, the Town's budgetary General Fund balance is expected to remain consistent with the June 30, 2012 level.

Costs of the Town's business-type activities, accounted for in the Sewer Operating Fund, are expected to increase by approximately 8.7% during fiscal year 2012-2013. The increase in expenditure budget is to pay for the higher maintenance costs of the Denitrification Facility and the aggressive maintenance efforts of the Sewer System. The Town has hired Tighe & Bond Inc. to put together a Facilities Plan to review the current systems in an effort to gain better efficiencies in the Sewer's Operations. This project includes future upgrade possibilities at the plant, as well as process improvements such as phosphorus removal and sludge digestion, as well as a sewer rate plan.

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, P.O. Box 610, 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, 2012

(In Thousands)

	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total
Assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 8,638	\$ 910	\$ 9,548
Investments	15,308		15,308
Receivables, net	13,305	1,510	14,815
Inventory	132		132
Other assets	217		217
Capital assets:			
Assets not being depreciated	58,778	39	58,817
Assets being depreciated, net	120,447	46,700	167,147
Total assets	<u>216,825</u>	<u>49,159</u>	<u>265,984</u>
Liabilities:			
Accounts and other payables	5,160	360	5,520
Other current liabilities		157	157
Unearned revenue	327		327
Noncurrent liabilities:			
Due within one year	9,099		9,099
Due in more than one year	84,699		84,699
Total liabilities	<u>99,285</u>	<u>517</u>	<u>99,802</u>
Net Assets:			
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	110,992	46,739	157,731
Restricted for:			
Trust purposes:			
Expendable	91		91
Nonexpendable	540		540
Unrestricted	5,917	1,903	7,820
Total Net Assets	<u>\$ 117,540</u>	<u>\$ 48,642</u>	<u>\$ 166,182</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, 2012
(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:	\$	4,942	\$	6	\$		
General government	20,436	977	371		(3,716)		\$ (3,716)
Public safety	11,082	3,137	97	5,103	(19,088)		(19,088)
Health and welfare	777	11	177		(2,745)		(2,745)
Human services	1,667	124	523		(589)		(589)
Parks and recreation	1,808	233	31	197	(1,020)		(1,020)
Public library	2,262	49	18		(1,347)		(1,347)
Planning and development	1,210	609			(2,195)		(2,195)
Education	99,324	2,060	34,894	731	(61,639)		(61,639)
Interest on long-term debt	2,370				(2,370)		(2,370)
Total governmental activities	145,878	8,420	36,117	6,031	(95,310)	-	(95,310)
Business-type activities:							
Sewer	5,347	4,355				(992)	(992)
Total	\$ 151,225	\$ 12,775	\$ 36,117	\$ 6,031	(95,310)	(992)	(96,302)
General revenues:							
Property taxes					99,471		99,471
Grants and contributions not restricted to specific programs					1,930		1,930
Unrestricted investment earnings					195		195
Transfers					(599)	599	-
Total general revenues and transfers					100,997	599	101,596
Change in net assets					5,687	(393)	5,294
Net Assets at Beginning of Year					111,853	49,035	160,888
Net Assets at End of Year					\$ 117,540	\$ 48,642	\$ 166,182

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TOWN OF SOUTHTON, CONNECTICUT
BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

JUNE 30, 2012
(In Thousands)

	<u>General</u>	<u>Capital Projects</u>	<u>Sewer Assessments</u>	<u>Nonmajor Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
ASSETS					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,722	\$ 178	\$ 1,067	\$ 1,482	\$ 4,449
Investments	14,974			334	15,308
Receivables, net	3,564	1,530	1,404	1,532	8,030
Due from other funds	832			79	911
Inventories	<u>84</u>			<u>49</u>	<u>133</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$ 21,176</u>	<u>\$ 1,708</u>	<u>\$ 2,471</u>	<u>\$ 3,476</u>	<u>\$ 28,831</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES					
Liabilities:					
Accounts and other payables	\$ 2,444	\$ 303	\$ 13	\$ 434	\$ 3,194
Due to other funds	79			832	911
Deferred revenue	<u>1,989</u>		<u>1,404</u>	<u>328</u>	<u>3,721</u>
Total liabilities	<u>4,512</u>	<u>303</u>	<u>1,417</u>	<u>1,594</u>	<u>7,826</u>
Fund balances:					
Nonspendable	84			589	673
Restricted		1,405		153	1,558
Committed			1,054	1,140	2,194
Assigned	496				496
Unassigned	<u>16,084</u>				<u>16,084</u>
Total fund balances	<u>16,664</u>	<u>1,405</u>	<u>1,054</u>	<u>1,882</u>	<u>21,005</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	<u>\$ 21,176</u>	<u>\$ 1,708</u>	<u>\$ 2,471</u>	<u>\$ 3,476</u>	<u>\$ 28,831</u>

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TOWN OF SOUTHTON, CONNECTICUT

BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS (CONTINUED)

JUNE 30, 2012

(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	\$	21,005
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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	\$	275,387	
Less accumulated depreciation		(96,162)	
Net capital assets			179,225

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	1,989
Interest receivable on property taxes	921
Assessments receivable greater than 60 days	1,404
Interest receivable on assessments	26
Deferred amount in refunding	940
Bond issuance costs	217
Long term receivable	3,900
Receivable from the state for school construction projects	427

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.

2,878

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	(70,540)
Premium on issuance	(1,439)
Interest payable on bonds and notes	(654)
Compensated absences	(8,047)
Capital lease	(1,094)
OPEB liability	(5,618)
Heart and Hypertension	(7,854)
Landfill closure	(146)

Net Assets of Governmental Activities (Exhibit I)

\$ 117,540

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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, 2012
(In Thousands)

	<u>General</u>	<u>Capital Projects</u>	<u>Sewer Assessments</u>	<u>Nonmajor Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
Revenues:					
Property taxes	\$ 99,615	\$	\$	\$	\$ 99,615
Intergovernmental	31,838	4,016		7,523	43,377
Charges for services	2,760		535	4,512	7,807
Income on investments	164		25	6	195
Other revenues	372	5		126	503
Total revenues	<u>134,749</u>	<u>4,021</u>	<u>560</u>	<u>12,167</u>	<u>151,497</u>
Expenditures:					
Current:					
General government	3,602			8	3,610
Public safety	11,920			1,785	13,705
Public works	4,387			2,118	6,505
Health and welfare	696			17	713
Human services	842			496	1,338
Parks and recreation	1,476			29	1,505
Public library	1,382			418	1,800
Planning and development	857				857
Miscellaneous	284				284
Employee fringe benefits	8,231				8,231
Education	88,326			7,596	95,922
Debt and sundry	8,546		429		8,975
Capital outlay		7,283			7,283
Total expenditures	<u>130,549</u>	<u>7,283</u>	<u>429</u>	<u>12,467</u>	<u>150,728</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over Expenditures	<u>4,200</u>	<u>(3,262)</u>	<u>131</u>	<u>(300)</u>	<u>769</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses):					
Issuance of capital leases	713				713
Transfers in	72	3,257		142	3,471
Transfers out	(3,385)			(86)	(3,471)
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>(2,600)</u>	<u>3,257</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>56</u>	<u>713</u>
Net Change in Fund Balances	1,600	(5)	131	(244)	1,482
Fund Balances at Beginning of Year	<u>15,064</u>	<u>1,410</u>	<u>923</u>	<u>2,126</u>	<u>19,523</u>
Fund Balances at End of Year	<u>\$ 16,664</u>	<u>\$ 1,405</u>	<u>\$ 1,054</u>	<u>\$ 1,882</u>	<u>\$ 21,005</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, 2012
(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)	\$ 1,482
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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	5,645
Depreciation expense	(5,020)
Donated assets	713

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.	(32)
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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	(330)
Long term receivable receipts	(460)
Property tax receivable - accrual basis change	(104)
Property tax interest and lien revenue - accrual basis change	(41)
Sewer assessment receivable-accrual basis change	589
Sewer assessment interest and lien revenue - accrual basis change	(169)

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:

Bond principal payments	5,715
Note principal payments	838
Issuance of capital leases	(713)
Capital lease principal payments	233
Accrued interest	(219)
Amortization of deferred charge on refunding	(89)
Amortization of issue costs	(19)
Amortization of bond premiums	127

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	(207)
OPEB obligation	(1,038)
Heart and hypertension	(635)
Landfill post closure care and settlement	230

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.

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Change in Net Assets of Governmental Activities (Exhibit II)	\$ 5,687
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements

TOWN OF SOUTHTON, CONNECTICUT

STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS - PROPRIETARY FUNDS

JUNE 30, 2012

(In Thousands)

	<u>Business-Type Activities Sewer Enterprise Fund</u>	<u>Governmental Activities Internal Service Fund</u>
Assets:		
Current:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 910	\$ 4,189
Accounts and other receivables	<u>1,510</u>	<u> </u>
Total current assets	2,420	4,189
Capital assets, net	<u>46,739</u>	<u> </u>
Total assets	<u>49,159</u>	<u>4,189</u>
Liabilities:		
Current:		
Accounts and other payables	360	1,311
Other accrued liabilities	<u>157</u>	<u> </u>
Total liabilities	<u>517</u>	<u>1,311</u>
Net Assets:		
Invested in capital assets	46,739	
Unrestricted	<u>1,903</u>	<u>2,878</u>
Total Net Assets	<u>\$ 48,642</u>	<u>\$ 2,878</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements

TOWN OF SOUTHLINGTON, CONNECTICUT

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES
IN FUND NET ASSETS - PROPRIETARY FUND

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2012
(In Thousands)

	Business-Type Activities Sewer Enterprise Fund	Governmental Activities Internal Service Fund
Operating Revenues:		
Fund premiums	\$	\$ 19,725
Charges for services	4,258	
Fines, penalties and interest	97	
Total operating revenues	<u>4,355</u>	<u>19,725</u>
Operating Expenses:		
Plant	3,338	
Benefits	241	19,650
Depreciation	1,557	
Administration and other	211	884
Total operating expenses	<u>5,347</u>	<u>20,534</u>
Income (Loss) before Capital Contributions	(992)	(809)
Capital Contributions	<u>599</u>	
Change in Net Assets	(393)	(809)
Net Assets at Beginning of Year	<u>49,035</u>	<u>3,687</u>
Net Assets at End of Year	<u>\$ 48,642</u>	<u>\$ 2,878</u>

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TOWN OF SOUTHTON, CONNECTICUT
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS - PROPRIETARY FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2012
(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	\$ 4,394	\$ 19,725
Cash received for premiums - Town departments and agencies		
Cash payments to suppliers for goods and services	(2,541)	
Cash payments to employees for services	(931)	
Cash payments to providers of benefits	(241)	(19,426)
Cash payments for service fees		(884)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	<u>681</u>	<u>(585)</u>
Cash Flows from Capital Financing Activities:		
Acquisition of capital assets	<u>(247)</u>	
Net cash used in capital financing activities:	<u>(247)</u>	<u>-</u>
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	434	(585)
Cash and Cash Equivalents at Beginning of Year	<u>476</u>	<u>4,774</u>
Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of Year	<u>\$ 910</u>	<u>\$ 4,189</u>
Reconciliation of Operating Income (Loss) to Net Cash		
Provided by (Used in) Operating Activities:		
Operating income (loss)	\$ (992)	\$ (809)
Depreciation	1,557	
Adjustments to reconcile operating income loss to net cash		
provided by (used in) operating activities:		
Decrease in accounts receivable	39	
Decrease in inventory	12	
Increase in accounts payable and accrued liabilities	<u>65</u>	<u>224</u>
Net Cash Provided by (Used in) Operating Activities	<u>\$ 681</u>	<u>\$ (585)</u>
Noncash Capital Financing Activities:		
Capital assets transferred from governmental funds	<u>\$ 599</u>	<u>\$</u>

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TOWN OF SOUTHTON, CONNECTICUT

STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS - FIDUCIARY FUNDS

JUNE 30, 2012

(In Thousands)

	<u>Agency Funds</u>
Assets:	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 3,063
Investments	<u>211</u>
Total assets	<u>\$ 3,274</u>
Liabilities:	
Fiduciary Deposits	<u>\$ 3,274</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 issues general obligation debt to fund capital improvements to sewer lines.

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 \$138 is equal to 5.7% of outstanding property taxes at June 30, 2012.

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 statistical revaluation as of October 1, 2011. Despite the one year postponement of the statistical revaluation, the Town’s next revaluation with full inspections will be October 1, 2015. The assessed value for the Grand List of October 1, 2010, upon which the fiscal 2012 levy was based, was \$4.1 billion. A 24.28 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, 2012 and 2011 were 98.65% and 98.75%, 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). A resolution approved by the Board of Finance is required to modify or rescind a fund balance commitment.

Assigned Fund Balance - For all governmental funds other than the General Fund, this represents any remaining positive amounts not classified as nonspendable, 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. The Finance Director is authorized to assign fund balances through the carry forward of appropriations to a subsequent year pending approval from the Board of Finance.

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."

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, \$1,548 of supplemental budgetary appropriations from the General Fund were made, \$586 from revised revenue estimates, and \$962 from continued appropriations from the prior year. Also, at year end \$496 of appropriations were reappropriated. Authorized continuing appropriations are presented as assignments of fund balances since the commitments will be honored in subsequent years.

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*, \$13,621 of the Town’s bank balance of \$15,032 was exposed to custodial credit risk as follows:

Uninsured and uncollateralized	\$	12,174
Uninsured and collateral held by the pledging bank’s trust department, not in the Town’s name		<u>1,447</u>
Total Amount Subject to Custodial Credit Risk	\$	<u><u>13,621</u></u>

Cash Equivalents

At June 30, 2012, the Town’s cash equivalents amounted to \$691. 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*	
Cutwater - Cooperative Liquid Assets Securities System (CLASS)	AAAm
*Not rated	

Investments

As of June 30, 2012, the Town had the following investments:

<u>Investment Type</u>	<u>Credit Rating</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>	<u>Investment Maturities (Years)</u>		
			<u>Less Than 1</u>	<u>1 - 10</u>	<u>More Than 10</u>
Interest-bearing investments:					
Certificates of deposit	*	\$ 15,517	<u>\$ 15,517</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Other investments:					
Common stock		<u>2</u>			
Total Investments		\$ <u><u>15,519</u></u>			

*Subject to coverage by Federal Depository Insurance and collateralization.

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, 2012, 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 *	\$ 2,408	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$ 2,408
Accounts	104			1,510	554	2,168
Special assessments			1,404			1,404
Intergovernmental	1,190	1,530			978	3,698
Interest **						-
Gross receivables	<u>3,702</u>	<u>1,530</u>	<u>1,404</u>	<u>1,510</u>	<u>1,532</u>	<u>9,678</u>
Less allowance for uncollectibles	<u>138</u>					<u>138</u>
Net Total Receivables	<u>\$ 3,564</u>	<u>\$ 1,530</u>	<u>\$ 1,404</u>	<u>\$ 1,510</u>	<u>\$ 1,532</u>	<u>\$ 9,540</u>

* Does not include amount due from Southington Water Company for bonds (\$3,900) and accrued interest (\$48) - Note 7.

** Does not include accrued interest on property taxes and assessments receivable of \$921 and \$26, 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	\$ 1,989	\$	\$ 1,989
Special assessments	1,404		1,404
Other		327	327
Total Deferred/Unearned Revenue for Governmental Funds	<u>\$ 3,393</u>	<u>\$ 327</u>	<u>\$ 3,720</u>

5. CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity for the year ended June 30, 2012 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	\$ 19,475	\$ 2,437	\$	\$ 21,912
Construction in progress	<u>36,688</u>	<u>1,003</u>	<u>(825)</u>	<u>36,866</u>
Total capital assets not being depreciated	<u>56,163</u>	<u>3,440</u>	<u>(825)</u>	<u>58,778</u>
Capital assets being depreciated:				
Buildings	117,216	481		117,697
Machinery and equipment	18,200	1,703	(745)	19,158
Infrastructure	<u>78,195</u>	<u>1,559</u>		<u>79,754</u>
Total capital assets being depreciated	<u>213,611</u>	<u>3,743</u>	<u>(745)</u>	<u>216,609</u>
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Buildings	(47,972)	(2,682)		(50,654)
Machinery and equipment	(12,792)	(1,042)	713	(13,121)
Infrastructure	<u>(31,091)</u>	<u>(1,296)</u>		<u>(32,387)</u>
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>(91,855)</u>	<u>(5,020)</u>	<u>713</u>	<u>(96,162)</u>
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	<u>121,756</u>	<u>(1,277)</u>	<u>(32)</u>	<u>120,447</u>
Governmental Activities Capital Assets, Net	<u>\$ 177,919</u>	<u>\$ 2,163</u>	<u>\$ (857)</u>	<u>\$ 179,225</u>
Business-type activities:				
Capital assets not being depreciated:				
Land	\$ 39	\$	\$	\$ 39
Capital assets being depreciated:				
Buildings and system	74,101	675		74,776
Machinery and equipment	<u>1,160</u>	<u>171</u>	<u>(28)</u>	<u>1,303</u>
Total capital assets being depreciated	<u>75,261</u>	<u>846</u>	<u>(28)</u>	<u>76,079</u>
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Buildings and system	(26,971)	(1,495)		(28,466)
Machinery and equipment	<u>(879)</u>	<u>(62)</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>(913)</u>
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>(27,850)</u>	<u>(1,557)</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>(29,379)</u>
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	<u>47,411</u>	<u>(711)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>46,700</u>
Business-Type Activities Capital Assets, Net	<u>\$ 47,450</u>	<u>\$ (711)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 46,739</u>

Depreciation expense was charged to functions/programs of the primary government as follows:

Governmental activities:		
General government	\$	861
Public safety		323
Public works		1,329
Human services		62
Planning and development		7
Park and recreation		147
Library		37
Education		<u>2,254</u>
Total Depreciation Expense - Governmental Activities	\$	<u>5,020</u>
Business-type activities:		
Sewer Enterprise Fund	\$	<u>1,557</u>

Construction Commitments

The Town has active construction projects as of June 30, 2012. 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:

Project	Spent-to-Date	Commitment
Marion Highlands & Roseanna, Lagana	\$ 2,458	\$ 50
Rails to Trails II	1,455	123
South End/Mt. Vernon Road Paving	616	34
Farmstead Interceptor	129	59
Triano Drive Development	250	48
Pumper Fire Truck	<u>405</u>	<u>128</u>
Total	\$ <u>5,313</u>	\$ <u>442</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:

Receivable Fund	Payable Fund	Amount
General Fund	Nonmajor Governmental	\$ 832
Nonmajor Governmental	General Fund	<u>79</u>
Total		\$ <u>911</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	72	3,24314	142	3,38586
	\$ 72	\$ 3,257	\$ 142	\$ 3,471

7. LONG-TERM DEBT

Changes in Long-Term Liabilities

Long-term liability activity for the year ended June 30, 2012 was as follows:

	Beginning Balance	Additions	Reductions	Ending Balance	Due Within One Year
Governmental Activities:					
Bonds payable:					
General obligation bonds:					
Town	\$ 61,665	\$	\$ 5,255	\$ 56,410	\$ 5,271
Southington Water Company	4,360		460	3,900	559
Premium on bonds	1,566		127	1,439	
Less deferred amounts	(1,029)		(89)	(940)	
State of Connecticut - serial note	11,068		838	10,230	568
Total bonds and notes payable	77,630		6,591	71,039	6,398
Compensated absences	7,840	1,879	1,672	8,047	1,725
Capital leases	614	713	233	1,094	471
OPEB obligation	4,580	3,032	1,994	5,618	
Heart and hypertension	7,219	1,168	533	7,854	483
Landfill closure and postclosure	376		230	146	22
Total Governmental Activities					
Long-Term Liabilities	\$ 98,259	\$ 6,792	\$ 11,253	\$ 93,798	\$ 9,099

Bonds payable at June 30, 2012 are comprised of the following issues:

	Date of Issue	Original Issue	Interest Rate (%)	Date of Maturity	Principal Outstanding June 30, 2012
General Purpose Bonds:					
Refunding (General Purpose)	2004	\$ 379	2.00-3.25	09/15/14	\$ 52
General Purpose	2005	5,765	3.50-5.50	11/01/25	3,560
General Purpose	2007	3,025	4.00-5.00	08/01/27	2,035
General Purpose	2009	2,175	3.00-4.00	08/01/27	1,820
Refunding (General Purpose)	2010	2,098	2.00-5.00	05/15/21	1,677
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	5,612
					<u>16,469</u>
School Bonds:					
Refunding (Schools)	2004	7,032	2.00-3.25	09/15/14	957
Schools	2005	3,510	3.50-5.50	11/01/25	2,100
Schools	2007	2,880	4.00-5.00	08/01/27	1,160
Schools	2009	12,965	3.00-4.00	08/01/27	11,415
Refunding (Schools)	2010	8,008	2.00-5.00	05/15/21	6,618
Schools	2011	6,902	2.50-4.25	08/01/30	6,902
Refunding (Schools)	2011	745	2.00-5.00	02/01/24	693
					<u>29,845</u>
Sewer Bonds:					
Refunding (Sewers)	2004	86	2.00-3.25	09/15/14	12
Sewers	2005	2,900	3.50-5.50	11/01/25	2,000
Sewers	2007	3,070	4.00-5.00	08/01/27	2,380
Sewers	2009	300	3.00-4.00	08/01/27	180
Refunding (Sewers)	2010	959	2.00-5.00	05/15/21	375
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	1,819
State of Connecticut serial notes payable:					
Clean Water Fund Loan 590-C	2011	11,068	2.00	06/30/30	10,230
					<u>20,326</u>
Water Bonds:					
Refunding (Water)	2004	3,683	2.00-3.25	09/15/14	490
Water	2011	3,410	2.50-4.25	08/01/21	3,410
					<u>3,900</u>
Total					<u><u>\$ 70,540</u></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>
2013	\$ 6,398	\$ 2,327
2014	6,118	2,128
2015	6,133	1,936
2016	5,513	1,763
2017	5,373	1,594
2018-2022	23,382	5,269
2023-2027	12,702	1,884
2028-2031	<u>4,921</u>	<u>248</u>
Total	\$ <u>70,540</u>	\$ <u>17,149</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, 2012, \$3,900 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, 2012. In no case shall total indebtedness exceed seven times annual receipts from taxation. The maximum debt amount permitted under this formula would be approximately \$696.3 million.

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 \$1,094 at June 30, 2012. The following is a summary of capital lease commitments as of June 30, 2012.

<u>Year Ending June 30,</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2013	\$ 491
2014	410
2015	<u>248</u>
Subtotal	1,149
Less interest	<u>(55)</u>
Principal Balance	\$ <u><u>1,094</u></u>

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, 2012, 2011 or 2010. 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, 2012 of \$1,311.

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, 2012 and 2011, is presented below:

	Accrued Liability Beginning of Fiscal Year	Current Year Claims and Changes in Estimates	Claim Payments	Accrued Liability End of Fiscal Year
2010-2011	\$ 1,274	\$ 16,983	\$ 17,170	\$ 1,087
2011-2012	1,087	19,874	19,650	1,311

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 2011-12 will be evaluated at 18, 30, and 42 months after the effective date of coverage. The deposit contribution (premium) paid in 2011-12 for the Town and Board of Education was \$1,352. 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, 2012 are as follows:

	General Fund	Capital Projects	Sewer Assessments	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total
Fund balances:					
Nonspendable:					
Inventory	\$ 84	\$	\$	\$ 49	\$ 133
Trust				540	540
Restricted for:					
Grants				62	62
Trust				91	91
Bonds		1,405			1,405
Committed to:					
Public safety				385	385
Public works			1,054	168	1,222
Human services				163	163
Parks and recreation				123	123
Education				301	301
Assigned to:					
General government	21				21
Public works	163				163
Public safety	2				2
Parks and recreation	15				15
Other	295				295
Unassigned	16,084				16,084
Total Fund Balances	\$ 16,664	\$ 1,405	\$ 1,054	\$ 1,882	\$ 21,005

Encumbrances are being reported as assigned fund balance.

10. 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, 2011, plan participation consisted of the following:

Active participants	1,146
Retirees	157
Spouses of retirees	46
Total Participants	1,349

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, 2012, 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, 2012, the amount actually contributed to the plan and changes in the Town's net OPEB obligation:

Annual required contribution (ARC)	\$ 3,087
Interest on OPEB obligation	229
Adjustment to annual required contribution	<u>(284)</u>
Annual OPEB cost	3,032
Contributions made	<u>1,994</u>
Increase in net OPEB obligation	1,038
Net OPEB obligation, beginning of year	<u>4,580</u>
Net OPEB Obligation, End of Year	<u>\$ 5,618</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, 2012, 2011 and 2010 are presented below.

Fiscal Year Ended	Annual OPEB Cost (AOC)	Actual Contribution	Percentage of AOC Contributed	Net OPEB Obligation (Asset)
6/30/2012	\$ 3,032	\$ 1,994	65.8%	\$ 5,618
6/30/2011	3,010	2,079	69.1%	4,580
6/30/2010	3,455	1,359	39.3%	3,649

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%
7/1/2011	-0-	33,693	33,693	0.0%	65,035	51.8%

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, 2011 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 9% initially, grading down to 5% for 2014 and later.

11. 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 11.79% 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, 2012, 2011 and 2010 were \$ 3,653, \$3,024, and \$2,212, 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 \$32,623 or 61.1% of total Board of Education payroll of \$53,402.

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, 2012 the Town has recorded, in the General Fund, intergovernmental revenue and education expenditures in the amount of \$8,260 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.

12. 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 was paid 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, 2012 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.

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, 2012
(In Thousands)

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
Property taxes, interest and lien fees:				
Taxes	\$ 98,233	\$ 98,233	\$ 98,821	\$ 588
Suspense taxes	40	40	59	19
Interest and lien fees	607	607	735	128
Total property taxes, interest and lien fees	98,880	98,880	99,615	735
Licenses, fees and permits:				
Building	600	600	542	(58)
Police	35	35	28	(7)
Library	30	30	36	6
Miscellaneous		25	32	7
Total licenses, fees and permits	665	690	638	(52)
Intergovernmental revenues:				
Educational Cost Sharing	19,839	19,839	19,912	73
Non-public school transportation	46	46	54	8
Public school transportation	181	181	179	(2)
School building construction grants	335	335	342	7
Vocational Agriculture	175	175	166	(9)
Children/youth services	26	26	27	1
Youth Service/Drug free	36	42	43	1
Town aid road transportation grant	262	262	262	-
Non-public health services	55	55	56	1
Telephone access lines	90	90	84	(6)
Pequot/Mohegan Grant	143	143	157	14
Telecommunications fund grant	75	75	159	84
Municipal video grant	14	14	12	(2)
FEMA reimbursements			142	142
Local capital improvement grant	290	292	298	6
In lieu of taxes:				
Hospital	136	136	136	
Tax relief for elderly	290	290	305	15

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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, 2012
(In Thousands)**

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>			<u>Variance</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Positive (Negative)</u>
Intergovernmental revenues (continued):				
Veterans' exemption	\$ 50	\$ 50	\$ 53	\$ 3
State properties	34	34	34	-
Disability exemption	5	5	5	-
Boats	11	11		(11)
Distressed municipalities	70	70	60	(10)
Miscellaneous	1	1	37	36
Traffic enforcement grant		5	5	-
Municipal revenue sharing	600	600	1,050	450
Health pan flu grant	25	25		(25)
Total intergovernmental revenues	<u>22,789</u>	<u>22,802</u>	<u>23,578</u>	<u>776</u>
Investment Income	<u>247</u>	<u>247</u>	<u>164</u>	<u>(83)</u>
Charges for services:				
Town Clerk	1,100	1,100	1,135	35
Recreation	175	175	145	(30)
Planning and zoning	45	45	33	(12)
Fire Department services	6	6	3	(3)
Engineering services	4	4	4	-
Assessors returns	1	1	1	-
School tuition and fees	605	605	529	(76)
School building rentals	14	225	225	-
Miscellaneous	10	35	47	12
Total charges for services	<u>1,960</u>	<u>2,196</u>	<u>2,122</u>	<u>(74)</u>

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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, 2012
(In Thousands)**

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance Positive (Negative)</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
Other revenues:				
Sale/lease of town property	\$ 2	\$ 2	\$ 6	\$ 4
Loss/damage to town property	1	51	58	7
Prior year appropriated funds returned	2	2	12	10
Miscellaneous	15	67	86	19
Water department - center street reimbursement		210	210	-
Fund balance utilized	<u>375</u>	<u>375</u>	<u></u>	<u>(375)</u>
Total other revenues	<u>395</u>	<u>707</u>	<u>372</u>	<u>(335)</u>
Transfers In	<u>100</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>72</u>	<u>(28)</u>
Total Revenues and Other Financing Sources	<u>\$ 125,036</u>	<u>\$ 125,622</u>	126,561	<u>\$ 939</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 8,260

Proceeds from issuance of capital leases are not budgeted 713

Total Revenues and Other Financing Sources as Reported on the Statement of
Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds
Exhibit IV

\$ 135,534

TOWN OF SOUTHTON, CONNECTICUT

GENERAL FUND

SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES AND OTHER FINANCING USES
BUDGET AND ACTUAL (NON-GAAP BUDGETARY BASIS)FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2012
(In Thousands)

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
General Government				
Town Council:				
Personnel service	\$ 9	\$ 10	\$ 10	\$ -
Contractual services	18	27	27	-
Materials and supplies	8	8	6	2
Fixed charges	30	26	26	-
Total	<u>65</u>	<u>71</u>	<u>69</u>	<u>2</u>
Town Manager:				
Personnel service	206	205	205	-
Contractual services	49	49	21	28
Materials and supplies	5	6	6	-
Fixed charges	7	5	5	-
Continued appropriations		9	9	-
Total	<u>267</u>	<u>274</u>	<u>246</u>	<u>28</u>
Board of Finance:				
Personnel service	4	4	4	-
Contractual services	3	3	2	1
Fixed charges	1	1	1	-
Total	<u>8</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>1</u>
Finance Department:				
Personnel service	382	382	382	-
Materials and supplies	12	13	13	-
Fixed charges	1	1	1	-
Total	<u>395</u>	<u>396</u>	<u>396</u>	<u>-</u>

TOWN OF SOUTHLINGTON, CONNECTICUT

GENERAL FUND

**SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES AND OTHER FINANCING USES
BUDGET AND ACTUAL (NON-GAAP BUDGETARY BASIS) (CONTINUED)**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2012

(In Thousands)

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>			<u>Variance</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Positive</u> <u>(Negative)</u>
Town Clerk:				
Personnel service	\$ 251	\$ 251	\$ 251	\$ -
Contractual services	38	37	37	-
Materials and supplies	9	10	10	-
Fixed charges	2	2	2	-
Total	<u>300</u>	<u>300</u>	<u>300</u>	<u>-</u>
Tax Department:				
Personnel service	244	247	246	1
Contractual services	16	18	16	2
Materials and supplies	46	45	45	-
Fixed charges	2	2	2	-
Capital outlay	1	1		1
Total	<u>309</u>	<u>313</u>	<u>309</u>	<u>4</u>
Assessor:				
Personnel service	277	271	271	-
Contractual services	122	116	108	8
Materials and supplies	13	13	13	-
Fixed charges	4	3	3	-
Capital outlay	92	92	84	8
Continued appropriations		140	140	-
Total	<u>508</u>	<u>635</u>	<u>619</u>	<u>16</u>
Board of Assessment Appeals:				
Personnel service	20	20	18	2
Contractual services	1	1	1	-
Materials and supplies	1	1		1
Total	<u>22</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>3</u>
Information Technology:				
Personnel service	74	74	74	-
Contractual services	169	169	169	-
Total	<u>243</u>	<u>243</u>	<u>243</u>	<u>-</u>
Probate Court:				
Contractual services	5	10	8	2
Materials and supplies	6	9	7	2
Total	<u>11</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>4</u>

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TOWN OF SOUTHTON, CONNECTICUT

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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, 2012

(In Thousands)

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>			<u>Variance</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Positive</u> <u>(Negative)</u>
Town Attorney/Legal:				
Personnel service	\$ 189	\$ 189	\$ 189	\$ -
Contractual services	55	54	54	-
Materials and supplies	4	4	4	-
Fixed charges	3	1	1	-
Total	<u>251</u>	<u>248</u>	<u>248</u>	<u>-</u>
Elections Department:				
Personnel service	105	100	93	7
Contractual services	11	5	5	-
Materials and supplies	31	32	23	9
Fixed charges	2	2	2	-
Total	<u>149</u>	<u>139</u>	<u>123</u>	<u>16</u>
Insurance:				
Fixed charges	<u>1,082</u>	<u>1,040</u>	<u>997</u>	<u>43</u>
Annual Audit:				
Fixed charges	<u>35</u>	<u>35</u>	<u>35</u>	<u>-</u>
Total general government	<u>3,645</u>	<u>3,743</u>	<u>3,626</u>	<u>117</u>
Public Safety:				
Police Department:				
Personnel service	5,901	5,823	5,798	25
Contractual services	273	320	301	19
Materials and supplies	224	425	414	11
Fixed charges	187	34	34	-
Capital outlay	201	193	192	1
Continued appropriations		99	98	1
Total	<u>6,786</u>	<u>6,894</u>	<u>6,837</u>	<u>57</u>
Emergency Management:				
Contractual services	1	1		1
Materials and supplies	5	5		5
Capital outlay	<u>18</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>1</u>
Total	<u>24</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>7</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, 2012

(In Thousands)

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
Central Dispatch:				
Personnel service	\$ 650	\$ 685	\$ 678	\$ 7
Contractual services	54	41	40	1
Total	704	726	718	8
Fire Department:				
Personnel service	3,146	3,283	3,283	-
Contractual services	240	286	285	1
Materials and supplies	299	305	300	5
Fixed charges	48	44	44	-
Capital outlay	57	53	53	-
Continued appropriations		1		1
Total	3,790	3,972	3,965	7
Fire Hydrant rentals:				
Fixed charges	414	419	419	-
Safety Program:				
Contractual services	4	13	8	5
Materials and supplies	54	50	49	1
Total	58	63	57	6
Parking Authority:				
Personnel service	1	1	1	-
Contractual services	8	6	4	2
Materials and supplies	1	3	3	-
Fixed charges	1	1	1	-
Continued appropriations		6	6	-
Total	11	17	15	2
Total public safety	11,787	12,115	12,028	87

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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, 2012

(In Thousands)

	Budgeted Amounts			Variance
	Original	Final	Actual	Positive (Negative)
Public Works:				
Town Hall and Annex:				
Contractual services	\$ 190	\$ 216	\$ 54	\$ 162
Materials and supplies	104	104	93	11
Total	294	320	147	173
Historical Buildings:				
Materials and supplies	6	6	4	2
Sylvia Bradley Historical Society:				
Contractual services	8	7	3	4
Materials and supplies	10	11	11	-
Total	18	18	14	4
Engineering Department:				
Personnel service	569	534	534	-
Contractual services	7	5	4	1
Materials and supplies	17	19	18	1
Fixed charges	2	2	1	1
Total	595	560	557	3
Highway Department:				
Personnel service	1,507	1,468	1,461	7
Contractual services	491	551	547	4
Materials and supplies	179	170	166	4
Fixed charges	32	31	31	-
Capital outlay	18	76	76	-
Continued appropriations		119	118	1
Total	2,227	2,415	2,399	16
Snow and Ice Removal:				
Personnel service	115	85	85	-
Contractual services	160	66	66	-
Materials and supplies	430	243	241	2
Total	705	394	392	2
Street Lighting:				
Contractual services	100	122	103	19
Materials and supplies	281	281	255	26
Total	381	403	358	45

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GENERAL FUND

SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES AND OTHER FINANCING USES
BUDGET AND ACTUAL (NON-GAAP BUDGETARY BASIS) (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2012

(In Thousands)

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
Tree Maintenance:				
Contractual services	\$ 19	\$ 19	\$ 19	\$ -
Bulky Waste Transfer Station:				
Personnel service	78	98	94	4
Contractual services	178	201	197	4
Total	256	299	291	8
Environmental Problems:				
Contractual services	233	455	220	235
Continued appropriations		53	24	29
Total	233	508	244	264
Total Public Works	4,734	4,942	4,425	517
Health and Welfare:				
Community Services:				
Personnel service	159	159	159	-
Contractual services	20	26	21	5
Materials and supplies	24	21	20	1
Fixed charges	1	1	1	-
Continued appropriations		29	24	5
Total	204	236	225	11
Health Department:				
Contractual services	318	40	40	
Fixed charges	27	305	305	-
Continued appropriations		17	13	4
Total	345	362	358	4
Mental Health:				
Fixed charges	3	3	3	-
Nonpublic School Nurses:				
Contractual services	109	109	109	-

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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, 2012

(In Thousands)

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance Positive (Negative)</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
Drug Task Force:				
Contractual services	\$ 1	\$ 1	\$ 1	\$ -
Materials and supplies	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>-</u>
Total	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>-</u>
 Total Health and Welfare	 <u>664</u>	 <u>713</u>	 <u>698</u>	 <u>15</u>
Human Services:				
Youth Counseling:				
Personnel service	280	285	282	3
Contractual services	6	4	4	-
Materials and supplies	1	1	1	-
Fixed charges	2	2	2	-
Capital outlay	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>-</u>
Total	<u>290</u>	<u>293</u>	<u>290</u>	<u>3</u>
 Commission on the Handicapped:				
Contractual services	9	9	2	7
Materials and supplies	1	1	1	-
Fixed charges	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
Total	<u>11</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>8</u>
 Community Assistance:				
Contractual services	<u>51</u>	<u>51</u>	<u>51</u>	<u>-</u>
 Calendar House-Senior Citizens:				
Personnel service	319	324	323	1
Contractual services	88	79	76	3
Materials and supplies	72	79	77	2
Fixed charges	2	4	4	-
Capital outlay	1	1	1	-
Continued appropriations		9		9
Total	<u>482</u>	<u>496</u>	<u>481</u>	<u>15</u>
 Southington Housing Authority:				
Materials and supplies	<u>24</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>-</u>
Total	<u>24</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>24</u>	
 Total Human Services	 <u>858</u>	 <u>875</u>	 <u>849</u>	 <u>26</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, 2012

(In Thousands)

	Budgeted Amounts			Variance
	Original	Final	Actual	Positive (Negative)
Parks and Recreation:				
Parks Department:				
Personnel service	\$ 608	\$ 573	\$ 571	\$ 2
Contractual services	177	166	154	12
Materials and supplies	186	215	215	-
Continued appropriations		19	4	15
Capital outlay	7	7	7	-
Total	978	980	951	29
Recreation Department:				
Personnel service	314	302	300	2
Contractual services	213	170	111	59
Materials and supplies	23	23	17	6
Fixed charges	13	13	12	1
Total	563	508	440	68
Community Celebrations:				
Fixed charges	5	5	5	-
Organized Recreation:				
Fixed charges	88	88	88	-
Total Parks and Recreation	1,634	1,581	1,484	97
Library:				
Public Library:				
Personnel service	933	933	932	1
Contractual services	85	85	83	2
Materials and supplies	230	232	224	8
Fixed charges	2	2	2	-
Capital outlay	55	52	37	15
Continued appropriations		26	24	2
Total	1,305	1,330	1,302	28
Barnes Museum:				
Personnel service	73	73	73	-
Contractual services	11	11	11	-
Materials and supplies	13	13	11	2
Total	97	97	95	2
Total Library	1,402	1,427	1,397	30

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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, 2012

(In Thousands)

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>			<u>Variance</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Positive</u> <u>(Negative)</u>
Planning and Development:				
Economic Development Commission:				
Personnel service	\$ 123	\$ 123	\$ 123	\$ -
Contractual services	15	13	6	7
Materials and supplies	2	1	1	-
Fixed charges	2	1	1	-
Total	<u>142</u>	<u>138</u>	<u>131</u>	<u>7</u>
Building Department:				
Personnel service	352	351	351	-
Contractual services	4	4	2	2
Materials and supplies	11	11	11	-
Fixed charges	5	4	4	-
Total	<u>372</u>	<u>370</u>	<u>368</u>	<u>2</u>
Planning and Zoning:				
Personnel service	302	306	305	1
Contractual services	19	14	11	3
Materials and supplies	9	7	7	-
Fixed charges	20	20	20	-
Total	<u>350</u>	<u>347</u>	<u>343</u>	<u>4</u>
Zoning Board of Appeals:				
Personnel service	5	6	6	-
Contractual services	8	8	8	-
Materials and supplies	2	2	2	-
Fixed charges		1	1	-
Total	<u>15</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>17</u>	
Conservation Commission:				
Personnel service	4	3	3	-
Contractual services	6	6	4	2
Materials and supplies	2	2	2	-
Fixed charges	1	1		1
Continued appropriations		6		6
Total	<u>13</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>9</u>
Total Planning and Development	<u>892</u>	<u>890</u>	<u>868</u>	<u>22</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, 2012

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
Miscellaneous:				
Land Lease:				
Fixed charges	\$ 1	\$ 1	\$ 1	\$ -
Miscellaneous:				
Personnel service	286	271	267	4
Nonlegal professional services:				
Contractual services	40	35	16	19
Total Miscellaneous	327	307	284	23
Employee Benefits:				
Medical and group insurance:				
Fixed charges	3,120	2,985	2,979	6
Heart and Hypertension:				
Personnel service	1,241	1,085	1,036	49
Contractual services	34	24	17	7
Total Heart and Hypertension	1,275	1,109	1,053	56
Employee Retirement:				
Municipal:				
Fixed charges	3,975	3,825	3,823	2
Police:				
Fixed charges	107	151	147	4
Unemployment Compensation:				
Fixed charges	20	20	14	6
Total	4,102	3,996	3,984	12
Accumulated Payout:				
Fixed charges	90	211	211	-
Tuition Reimbursement:				
Fixed charges	7	4	2	2
Medical Services:				
Fixed charges	3	2	2	-
Total Employee Benefits	8,597	8,307	8,231	76

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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, 2012

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
Debt Service				
Debt service - principal:	\$	\$	\$	\$
Town and Sewer	2,872	2,805	2,798	7
Schools	2,940	2,932	2,932	-
Total	<u>5,812</u>	<u>5,737</u>	<u>5,730</u>	<u>7</u>
Debt service - interest:				
Town and Sewer	1,099	1,003	1,000	3
Schools	1,116	1,104	1,104	-
Total	<u>2,215</u>	<u>2,107</u>	<u>2,104</u>	<u>3</u>
Total Debt Service	<u>8,027</u>	<u>7,844</u>	<u>7,834</u>	<u>10</u>
Board of Education:				
School operations	79,615	79,826	79,822	4
Contractual services	65	115	104	11
Continued appropriations		129	123	6
Total Board of Education	<u>79,680</u>	<u>80,070</u>	<u>80,049</u>	<u>21</u>
Contingency	<u>850</u>	<u>385</u>		<u>385</u>
Total expenditures	<u>123,097</u>	<u>123,199</u>	<u>121,773</u>	<u>1,426</u>
Other Financing Uses:				
Transfers out	<u>1,939</u>	<u>3,385</u>	<u>3,385</u>	<u>-</u>
Total	<u>\$ 125,036</u>	<u>\$ 126,584</u>	125,158	<u>\$ 1,426</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

8,260

Accrued payroll is reported as expenditure for GAAP purposes

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Issuance of capital leases are not budgeted

713Total Expenditures and Other Financing Uses as Reported on the Statement of
Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds -
Exhibit IV\$ 133,934

Combining and Individual Fund Statements and Schedules

General Fund

GENERAL FUND

To account for resources traditionally associated with governments that are not required to be accounted for in another fund.

TOWN OF SOUTHTON, CONNECTICUT

GENERAL FUND

COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET

JUNE 30, 2012 AND 2011
(In Thousands)

	<u>2012</u>	<u>2011</u>
ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,722	\$ 16,748
Investments	14,974	
Property taxes receivable, net of allowance for uncollectible accounts of \$138 in 2012 and \$156 in 2011	2,270	2,360
Due from State of Connecticut	1,190	506
Accounts receivable	104	170
Due from other funds	832	216
Inventories	84	54
Prepaid assets	<u>177</u>	<u>177</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$ 21,176</u>	<u>\$ 20,231</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE		
Liabilities:		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 2,153	\$ 2,663
Due to other funds	79	111
Due to State of Connecticut	291	300
Deferred revenue	<u>1,989</u>	<u>2,093</u>
Total liabilities	<u>4,512</u>	<u>5,167</u>
Fund balance:		
Nonspendable	84	231
Assigned	496	1,347
Unassigned	<u>16,084</u>	<u>13,486</u>
Total fund balance	<u>16,664</u>	<u>15,064</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	<u>\$ 21,176</u>	<u>\$ 20,231</u>

TOWN OF SOUTHTON, CONNECTICUT

GENERAL FUND

REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2012

(In Thousands)

Grand List	Uncollected Taxes July 1, 2011	Lawful Corrections		Transfers To Suspend	Adjusted Taxes Collectible	Collections		Warrants Liens/Fees	Amount Paid to Treasurer	Credit Balances	Uncollected Taxes June 30, 2012
		Additions	Deductions			Taxes	Interest				
2010	\$ 99,222	\$ 33	\$ 421	\$ 40	\$ 98,794	\$ 97,595	\$ 253	\$ 5	\$ 97,853	\$ 138	\$ 1,337
2009	1,254	2	29	24	1,203	733	159	4	896	14	484
2008	587	1	15	11	562	324	126	2	452	4	242
2007	363		11	2	350	219	109	1	329	1	132
2006	113		10		103	31	18	1	50		72
2005	81		10		71	15	16		31		56
2004	39		6	1	32	7	8		15		25
2003	21		5		16	1	2		3		15
2002	15		5		10				-		10
2001	9		2		7				-		7
2000	7				7	2	3		5		5
1999	5				5				-		5
1998	6				6				-		6
1997	6				6				-		6
1996	6				6				-		6
1995	4		4 *		-				-		-
	\$ 101,738	\$ 36	\$ 518	\$ 78	\$ 101,178	\$ 98,927	\$ 694	\$ 13	\$ 99,634	\$ 157	\$ 2,408

* 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
Recreation Programs	Charges for services	Recreation programs
Emergency Management	State and federal grants	Storm damage repairs and restorations

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 SOUTHTON, CONNECTICUT

COMBINING BALANCE SHEET
NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDSJUNE 30, 2012
(In Thousands)

	Special Revenue								
	Federal and State								
	Animal Control	State Education Grants	Police Auction	Refuse	Police Special Duty	Apple Harvest Festival	Police Forfeiture	Town Special Revenue	
ASSETS									
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 216	\$ 62	\$ 39	\$ 3	\$	\$ 3	\$ 135	\$ 65	\$ 116
Investments									
Accounts receivable	85		163		274	280			
Due from other funds									
Inventories	49								
Total Assets	\$ 350	\$ 62	\$ 202	\$ 3	\$ 274	\$ 283	\$ 135	\$ 65	\$ 116
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES									
Liabilities:									
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$	\$ 20	\$ 43	\$	\$ 159	\$ 8	\$	\$	\$ 4
Due to other funds			6		96				
Deferred revenue			91						
Other liabilities					17				
Total liabilities	-	20	140	-	272	8	-	-	4
Fund Balances:									
Nonspendable	49								
Restricted			62						
Committed	301	42		3	2	275	135	65	112
Total fund balance	350	42	62	3	2	275	135	65	112
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$ 350	\$ 62	\$ 202	\$ 3	\$ 274	\$ 283	\$ 135	\$ 65	\$ 116

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TOWN OF SOUTHTON, CONNECTICUT
COMBINING BALANCE SHEET (CONTINUED)
NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

JUNE 30, 2012
(In Thousands)

	Special Revenue							
	Child Development Center	Library Trust	Excavation Permit	Community Services	Drive In Theatre	Barnes Museum Restoration	Recreation Programs	Emergency Management
ASSETS								Total
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	\$ 12	\$ 447	\$ 52	\$ 12	\$ 56	\$ 56	\$ 1,274
Investments								-
Accounts receivable							730	1,532
Due from other funds		79						79
Inventories								49
Total Assets	\$ -	\$ 91	\$ 447	\$ 52	\$ 12	\$ 56	\$ 56	\$ 2,934
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES								
Liabilities:								
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$	\$	\$	\$ 1	\$ 1	\$	730	\$ 236
Due to other funds			237					832
Deferred revenue			179					328
Other liabilities			416	1	1			196
Total liabilities	-	-				-	-	1,592
Fund Balances:								
Nonspendable		91						49
Restricted			31	51	11	56	56	153
Committed		91	31	51	11	56	-	1,140
Total fund balance	-							1,342
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$ -	\$ 91	\$ 447	\$ 52	\$ 12	\$ 56	\$ 56	\$ 2,934

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TOWN OF SOUTHTON, CONNECTICUT

COMBINING BALANCE SHEET
NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDSJUNE 30, 2012
(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		\$	\$	1	\$	194	\$
Investments	2					330	334
Accounts receivable		2					-
Due from other funds							1,532
Inventories							79
							49
Total Assets	\$ 2	\$ 2	\$ 1	\$ 524	\$ 13	\$ 542	\$ 3,476
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES							
Liabilities:							
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$	\$	\$	\$	2	\$ 2	\$ 238
Due to other funds						-	852
Deferred revenue						-	328
Other liabilities						-	196
Total liabilities	-	-	-	-	2	2	1,594
Fund Balances:							
Nonspendable	2	2	1	524	11	540	589
Restricted						-	153
Committed						-	1,140
Total fund balance	2	2	1	524	11	540	1,882
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$ 2	\$ 2	\$ 1	\$ 524	\$ 13	\$ 542	\$ 3,476

TOWN OF SOUTHTINGTON, CONNECTICUT
COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2012
(In Thousands)

	Special Revenue								
	Federal and State			Special Revenue					
	Cafeteria	Animal Control	State Education Grants	Police Auction	Refuse	Police Special Duty	Apple Harvest Festival	Police Forfeiture	Town Special Revenue
Revenues:									
Contributions	\$ 507		\$ 5,796				\$ 42	\$	\$ 110
Intergovernmental	1,307	8			1,842	921	175	22	79
Charges for services									
Income on investments									
Total revenues	1,814	8	5,796	-	1,842	921	217	22	189
Expenditures:									
Current:									
General government		185				850	151	16	8
Public safety					1,842				4
Public works									71
Health and welfare									17
Human services									80
Parks and recreation									7
Public library									
Education	1,753	185	5,780		1,842	850	151	16	187
Total expenditures	1,753	185	5,780	-	1,842	850	151	16	
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over Expenditures	61	(177)	16	-	-	71	66	6	2
Other Financing Sources (Uses):									
Transfers in		142							
Transfers out		(142)	-	-	-	(22)	(55)	-	-
Total other financing sources (uses)						(22)	(55)		
Net Change in Fund Balances	61	(35)	16	-	-	49	11	6	2
Fund Balances at Beginning of Year	289	77	46	3	2	226	124	59	110
Fund Balances at End of Year	\$ 350	\$ 42	\$ 62	\$ 3	\$ 2	\$ 275	\$ 135	\$ 65	\$ 112

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TOWN OF SOUTHTINGTON, CONNECTICUT
COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES (CONTINUED)
NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2012
(In Thousands)

	Child Development Center	Special Revenue							Total
		Library Trust	Excavation Permit	Community Services	Drive In Theatre	Barnes Museum Restoration	Recreation Programs	Emergency Management	
Revenues:									
Contributions	372	\$ 8	\$	\$ 51	\$	4	\$	\$	\$ 97
Intergovernmental		14	57		31		56	730	7,523
Charges for services									4,512
Income on investments									-
Total revenues	372	22	57	51	31	4	56	730	12,132
Expenditures:									
Current:									
General government									8
Public safety								730	1,785
Public works			54						2,118
Health and welfare									17
Human services				44					496
Parks and recreation	372	37			22	23			29
Public library									60
Education		37	54	44	22	23	-	730	7,533
Total expenditures	372	37	54	44	22	23	-	730	12,046
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over Expenditures	-	(15)	3	7	9	(19)	56	-	86
Other Financing Sources (Uses):									
Transfers in				5					147
Transfers out					(14)				(91)
Total other financing sources (uses)		-	-	5	(14)	-	-	-	56
Net Change in Fund Balances	-	(15)	3	12	(5)	(19)	56	-	142
Fund Balances at Beginning of Year	-	106	28	39	16	75	-	-	1,200
Fund Balances at End of Year	\$ -	\$ 91	\$ 31	\$ 51	\$ 11	\$ 56	\$ 56	\$ -	\$ 1,342

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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, 2012
(In Thousands)

	Permanent						Total	Interfund	Total
	Edna Woodruff	Addin Lewis	Julia Bradley Library	Board of Education Scholarship	Library Trust			Eliminations	Nonmajor Governmental Funds
Revenues:									
Contributions	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Intergovernmental									
Charges for services									
Income on investments									
Total revenues	-	-	-	6	9	-	-	-	126
				26		6			7,523
						35			4,512
									6
									12,167
Expenditures:									
Current:									
General government									8
Public safety									1,785
Public works									2,118
Health and welfare									17
Human services									496
Parks and recreation									29
Public library									418
Education		1		62	358	63			7,596
Total expenditures	-	1	-	62	358	421			12,467
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over Expenditures	-	(1)	-	(36)	(349)	(386)			(300)
Other Financing Sources (Uses):									
Transfers in								(5)	142
Transfers out		(1)	-	-	-	-		5	(86)
Total other financing sources (uses)	-	(1)	-	-	-	-		-	56
Net Change in Fund Balances		(1)	-	(36)	(349)	(386)		-	(244)
Fund Balances at Beginning of Year	2	3	1	560	360	926		-	2,126
Fund Balances at End of Year	2	2	1	524	11	540		-	1,882

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 SOUTHLINGTON, CONNECTICUT

COMBINING BALANCE SHEET - AGENCY FUNDS

JUNE 30, 2012 WITH COMPARATIVE TOTALS FOR 2011
(In Thousands)

	<u>Student Activity Fund</u>	<u>Escrow Deposit Fund</u>	<u>Totals</u>	
			<u>2012</u>	<u>2011</u>
Assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 374	\$ 2,689	\$ 3,063	\$ 3,288
Investments	<u>211</u>	<u></u>	<u>211</u>	<u>214</u>
Total Assets	\$ <u>585</u>	\$ <u>2,689</u>	\$ <u>3,274</u>	\$ <u>3,502</u>
Liabilities:				
Fiduciary deposits	\$ <u>585</u>	\$ <u>2,689</u>	\$ <u>3,274</u>	\$ <u>3,502</u>

TOWN OF SOUTHTON, CONNECTICUT

AGENCY FUNDS

**COMBINING STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2012
(In Thousands)**

	<u>Balance</u> <u>July 1, 2011</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deductions</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>June 30, 2012</u>
Student Activity Fund				
Assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 416	\$ 1,081	\$ 1,123	\$ 374
Investments	<u>214</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>211</u>
Total Assets	\$ <u>630</u>	\$ <u>1,082</u>	\$ <u>1,127</u>	\$ <u>585</u>
Liabilities:				
Fiduciary deposits	\$ <u>630</u>	\$ <u>1,082</u>	\$ <u>1,127</u>	\$ <u>585</u>
Escrow Deposit				
Assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ <u>2,872</u>	\$ <u>704</u>	\$ <u>887</u>	\$ <u>2,689</u>
Liabilities:				
Fiduciary deposits	\$ <u>2,872</u>	\$ <u>704</u>	\$ <u>887</u>	\$ <u>2,689</u>
Total All Agency Funds				
Assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 3,288	\$ 1,785	\$ 2,010	\$ 3,063
Investments	<u>214</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>211</u>
Total Assets	\$ <u>3,502</u>	\$ <u>1,786</u>	\$ <u>2,014</u>	\$ <u>3,274</u>
Liabilities:				
Fiduciary deposits	\$ <u>3,502</u>	\$ <u>1,786</u>	\$ <u>2,014</u>	\$ <u>3,274</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.

TABLE 1

TOWN OF SOUTHTON, CONNECTICUT

NET ASSETS BY COMPONENT

LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

(In Thousands)

	FISCAL YEAR									
	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
Governmental Activities:										
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	\$ 110,992	\$ 104,035	\$ 99,125	\$ 119,767	\$ 112,125	\$ 111,260	\$ 63,374	\$ 65,692	\$ 53,356	\$ 58,590
Restricted	631	1,032	985	1,023	1,023	980	919	898	890	860
Unrestricted	5,917	6,786	1,814	(22,128)	(14,999)	(8,422)	(3,053)	(9,534)	(2,779)	(11,387)
Total governmental activities net assets	117,540	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	46,739	47,450	47,103	44,662	33,460	31,564	30,968	30,277	29,922	30,622
Unrestricted	1,903	1,585	789	483	1,065	1,648	2,397	2,641	2,302	1,953
Total business-type activities net assets	48,642	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	157,731	151,485	146,228	164,429	145,585	142,824	94,342	95,969	83,278	89,212
Restricted	631	1,032	985	1,023	1,023	980	919	898	890	860
Unrestricted	7,820	8,371	2,603	(21,645)	(13,934)	(6,774)	(656)	(6,893)	(477)	(9,434)
Total Primary Government Net Assets	\$ 166,182	\$ 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 TEN YEARS
(In Thousands)

	FISCAL YEAR									
	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
Expenses:										
Governmental activities:										
General government	\$ 4,942	\$ 4,176	\$ 4,464	\$ 7,291	\$ 6,627	\$ 5,916	\$ 5,763	\$ 5,935	\$ 5,462	\$ 5,749
Public safety	20,436	18,711	17,749	16,047	16,789	12,303	10,391	10,111	9,075	9,370
Public works	11,082	9,402	9,712	9,836	10,165	9,388	8,065	5,501	6,757	7,559
Health and welfare	777	1,047	940	1,024	766	778	760	737	606	490
Human services	1,667	1,671	1,477	1,579	1,272	1,229	953	900	890	943
Parks and recreation	1,808	1,903	1,994	2,218	1,992	2,124	1,780	1,823	1,778	1,535
Public library	2,262	1,844	1,830	1,569	1,303	1,254	1,205	1,185	1,089	1,144
Planning and development	1,210	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	99,324	94,128	92,209	89,694	106,877	81,356	77,447	71,556	67,754	64,117
Interest on long-term debt	2,370	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	145,878	135,748	133,566	131,740	148,647	120,125	111,930	102,811	97,120	95,160
Business-type activities:										
Sewer	5,347	4,999	4,849	4,419	4,284	4,079	3,609	3,110	2,967	2,919
Total primary government expenses	151,225	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	1,220	1,085	1,332	1,323	2,136	2,216	2,582	2,394	1,921	1,470
Public safety	977	1,250	954	1,318	1,064	817	781	848	737	873
Public works	3,137	2,442	2,746	2,894	2,758	2,745	2,654	3,386	2,360	2,206
Education	2,060	1,973	1,963	1,972	1,902	1,922	1,750	1,804	1,712	1,574
Other	1,026	968	1,061	1,633	738	382	308	296	281	278
Operating grants and contributions	36,117	33,906	33,301	31,260	51,074	25,327	24,559	21,531	20,547	21,024
Capital grants and contributions	6,031	6,920	8,329	10,897	2,042	7,818	2,806	524	2,814	2,880
Total governmental activities program revenues	50,568	48,544	49,686	51,297	61,774	41,227	35,440	30,783	30,372	30,305
Business-type activities:										
Charges for services	4,355	4,297	3,727	3,058	2,655	2,256	2,309	2,396	2,310	1,945
Total business activities program revenues	4,355	4,297	3,727	3,058	2,655	2,256	2,309	2,396	2,310	1,945
Total primary government program revenues	54,923	52,841	53,413	54,355	64,429	43,483	37,749	33,179	32,682	32,250
Net (expense) revenue:										
Governmental activities	(95,310)	(87,204)	(83,880)	(80,443)	(86,873)	(78,898)	(76,490)	(72,028)	(66,748)	(64,855)
Business-type activities	(992)	(702)	(1,122)	(1,361)	(1,629)	(1,823)	(1,300)	(714)	(657)	(974)
Total primary government net expense	(96,302)	(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	99,471	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	1,930	1,755	2,201	2,128	1,940	2,077	1,917	2,811	1,870	2,551
Unrestricted investment earnings	195	219	278	369	1,190	1,446	1,230	540	288	303
Miscellaneous					127	66	102	323	420	128
Transfers	(599)	(1,845)	(3,689)	(11,981)	(2,947)	(1,670)	(1,747)	(1,408)	(306)	
Total governmental activities	100,997	97,133	91,709	80,956	85,844	83,116	80,674	77,617	70,152	67,866
Business-Type Activities:										
Transfers	599	1,845	3,689	11,981	2,947	1,670	1,747	1,408	306	
Total business-type activities	599	1,845	3,689	11,981	2,947	1,670	1,747	1,408	306	0
Total primary government	101,596	98,978	95,398	92,937	88,791	84,786	82,421	79,025	70,458	67,866
Changes in net assets:										
Governmental activities	5,687	9,929	7,829	513	(1,029)	4,218	4,184	5,589	3,404	3,011
Business-type activities	(293)	1,143	2,567	10,620	1,318	(153)	447	694	(351)	(974)
Total Primary Government	\$ 5,294	\$ 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

TABLE 3

TOWN OF SOUTHLINGTON, CONNECTICUT

FUND BALANCES, GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS
(In Thousands)

	FISCAL YEAR									
	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
General Fund:										
Nonspendable	\$ 84	\$ 231	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Assigned	496	1,347								
Unassigned	16,084	13,486								
Reserved			54	426	365	255	414	560	571	561
Unreserved			13,196	12,044	9,936	9,112	8,939	7,450	5,368	6,912
Total General Fund	\$ 16,664	\$ 15,064	\$ 13,250	\$ 12,470	\$ 10,301	\$ 9,367	\$ 9,353	\$ 8,010	\$ 5,939	\$ 7,473
All other governmental funds:										
Nonspendable	\$ 589	\$ 988	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Restricted	1,558	1,562								
Committed	2,194	1,909								
Reserved			52	44	59	54	51	38	40	34
Unreserved, reported in:										
Special revenue funds			2,299	2,562	2,063	2,199	2,208	2,007	1,506	1,468
Capital projects funds			(21,118)	(9,117)	(5,333)	(7,536)	(2,409)	(10,074)	(3,933)	(11,816)
Permanent funds			878	775	872	826	769	747	725	680
Total All Other Governmental Funds	\$ 4,341	\$ 4,459	\$ (17,889)	\$ (5,736)	\$ (2,339)	\$ (4,457)	\$ 619	\$ (7,282)	\$ (1,662)	\$ (9,634)

Note 1: Schedule prepared on the modified accrual basis of accounting

TOWN OF SOUTHTOWN, CONNECTICUT
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES, GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS
(In Thousands)

	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	FISCAL YEAR					2004	2003
						2007	2006	2005	2004	2003		
Revenues:												
Property taxes	\$ 99,615	\$ 97,026	\$ 92,650	\$ 90,440	\$ 85,341	\$ 82,036	\$ 79,246	\$ 74,746	\$ 68,072	\$ 64,360		
Intergovernmental	43,377	39,277	41,267	43,615	55,366	34,901	29,342	24,784	25,087	26,734		
Charges for services	7,807	7,592	7,724	7,764	5,135	4,914	4,873	5,071	4,329	4,373		
Income on investments	195	218	305	369	1,173	1,417	1,182	466	250	260		
Other revenues	503	504	559	1,423	3,588	3,387	3,725	4,023	4,079	2,704		
Total revenues	151,497	144,617	142,505	143,611	150,603	126,655	118,368	109,090	101,817	98,431		
Expenditures:												
General government	3,610	3,265	3,037	3,018	6,030	5,641	5,833	5,405	5,090	4,666		
Public safety	12,958	12,687	12,589	12,598	12,193	12,055	10,442	9,784	9,075	9,061		
Public works	7,552	7,188	7,008	8,341	7,469	6,867	7,321	6,970	6,441	6,031		
Health and welfare	713	880	769	720	786	766	779	739	625	518		
Human resources	1,338	1,387	1,243	1,498	1,280	1,223	916	862	852	905		
Parks and recreation	1,505	1,423	1,570	2,071	1,935	1,946	1,930	1,724	1,656	1,524		
Public library	1,800	1,472	1,447	1,594	1,311	1,245	1,184	1,146	1,130	1,130		
Planning and development	857	877	835	841	829	816	937	779	738	720		
Miscellaneous	284	29	77	147	56	35	370	80	322	134		
Employee fringe benefits	7,931	8,115	7,384	6,920	4,007	3,647	3,057	2,476	2,056	1,811		
Education	95,922	93,163	89,674	84,567	103,840	78,249	74,727	69,592	66,426	62,201		
Debt service:												
Principal	6,018	4,649	4,767	4,955	4,460	4,530	3,394	4,669	4,123	4,516		
Interest	2,244	2,352	1,970	1,126	1,135	1,075	1,610	1,610	1,075	1,340		
Capital outlay	7,996	7,041	21,444	32,083	11,195	13,622	8,799	8,413	10,975	13,440		
Total expenditures	150,728	144,528	154,014	160,279	156,526	131,717	121,299	112,639	109,509	106,657		
Excess of revenue under expenditures	769	89	(11,509)	(16,668)	(5,923)	(5,062)	(2,931)	(3,549)	(7,692)	(8,226)		
Other financing sources (uses):												
Refunding bonds issued		8,745										
Premium on refunding bonds		887										
Payment to refunded bond escrow agent		(9,515)										
Premium on general obligation bonds		329										
Issuance of notes payable		11,068										
Issuance of capital leases		614										
Bond proceeds	713	11,945	136	15,440	8,975	1,947	2,007	2,240	2,272	4,008		
Transfers in	3,471	2,895	2,766	2,912	3,527	(1,947)	(2,007)	(2,240)	(2,272)	(4,008)		
Transfers out	(3,471)	(2,895)	(2,766)	(2,912)	(3,527)	(1,947)	(2,007)	(2,240)	(2,272)	(4,008)		
Total other financing sources	713	24,073	136	15,440	8,975	-	-	-	-	-		
Net Change in Fund Balances	\$ 1,482	\$ 24,162	\$ 780	\$ (1,228)	\$ 3,052	\$ (5,062)	\$ (2,931)	\$ (3,549)	\$ (7,692)	\$ (8,226)		
Debt Service as a Percentage of Noncapital Expenditures	5.69%	5.01%	4.94%	4.78%	3.81%	4.50%	4.44%	4.54%	4.19%	4.69%		

Notes:

(1) Schedule prepared on the modified accrual basis of accounting

TABLE 5

TOWN OF SOUTHTON, 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							
2012	2010	\$ 3,027,300	\$ 473,444	\$ 110,686	\$ 204,328	\$ 325,954	\$ 78,495	\$ 4,063,217	24.28	\$ 5,804,596	70%
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	76,027	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%

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

2012 AND 2003
(In Thousands)

Taxpayer	2012			2003		
	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.	\$ 59,229	1	1.46%	\$ 28,306	2	1.12%
RK Southington LLC (Galileo Queens Plaza LLC)	15,453	2	0.38%			
Hartonn Corporation	15,278	3	0.38%	10,464	4	0.41%
Yankee Gas	14,581	4	0.36%	7,768	7	0.31%
Excwest LLC (Loves Home Improvement)	14,103	5	0.35%			
45 Newell Street (Yarde Metals)	13,409	6	0.33%			
Lexington Southington LP (formerly Htfd Fire Insurance)	13,095	7	0.32%	9,708	6	0.38%
Target Corporation	12,571	8	0.31%			
Widewaters WC5 (Home Depot)	10,850	9	0.27%			
Southington Route 10 Associates	10,820	10	0.27%			
Medex Inc (formerly Johnson & Johnson)				9,817	5	0.39%
Chancellor Gardens				31,574	1	1.25%
Central Connecticut Senior Care				7,707	8	0.30%
LXPL, L.P.				7,243	10	0.29%
Lake Compounce/Kennywood Entertainment				12,904	3	0.51%
				7,301	9	0.29%
Total	\$ 179,389		4.41%	\$ 132,792		5.24%

Net Taxable Grand List 10/01/2010 of \$4,063,217

Net Taxable Grand List 10/01/2003 of \$2,535,788
(in thousands)

Source: Town of Southington, Office of Tax Assessor

TABLE 7

TOWN OF SOUTHTON, 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 Adjusted Levy
2012	2010	24.28	\$ 98,794	\$	\$ 98,794	\$ 97,457	98.65 %	\$	\$	97,457	98.65 %
2011	2009	24.02	96,374	52	96,322	95,119	98.75	719		95,838	99.50
2010	2008	23.27	92,337	104	92,233	90,995	98.55	996		91,991	99.74
2009	2007	23.02	90,298	105	90,193	88,887	98.44	1,174		90,061	99.85
2008	2006	21.88	84,776	107	84,669	83,662	98.69	935		84,597	99.91
2007	2005	21.40	81,627	136	81,491	80,617	98.76	817		81,434	99.93
2006	2004	29.43	78,877	293	78,584	77,798	98.63	761		78,559	99.97
2005	2003	28.43	74,195	208	73,987	72,967	98.34	1,006		73,973	99.98
2004	2002	26.60	68,598	160	68,438	67,532	98.45	896		68,428	99.99
2003	2001	25.30	64,187	635	63,552	63,118	98.33	427		63,545	99.99

Source: Tax Collector's Report, Comprehensive Annual Financial Report

TABLE 8

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	
2012	\$ 56,410	\$ 10,231	\$ 1,094	\$ 67,735	1.17 %	4.41 %	\$ 1,571
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

Note: Details regarding the Town's outstanding debt can be found in the notes to the financial statements.

TABLE 9

TOWN OF SOUTHTON, CONNECTICUT

SCHEDULE OF DEBT LIMITATION

June 30, 2012
(In Thousands)

Total tax collections (including interest and lien fees) received by Treasurer for current fiscal year	\$	99,476
Reimbursement for loss of revenue:		
Tax relief for elderly - freeze		

Base	\$	<u>99,476</u>
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	General Purpose	Schools	Sewers	Urban Renewal	Pension Deficit
Debt limitation:					
2-1/4 times base	\$ 223,821	\$	\$	\$	\$
4-1/2 times base		447,642			
3-3/4 times base			373,035		
3-1/4 times base				323,297	
3 times base					298,428
Total debt limitation	<u>223,821</u>	<u>447,642</u>	<u>373,035</u>	<u>323,297</u>	<u>298,428</u>

Indebtedness:					
Bonds payable	16,470	29,845	10,095		
Bonds authorized - unissued	1,805	88,420	240		
Clean Water Fund Loan			10,231		
Grant commitments		(427)			
Total indebtedness	<u>18,275</u>	<u>117,838</u>	<u>20,566</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

Debt limitation in excess of outstanding and authorized debt	\$ <u>205,546</u>	\$ <u>329,804</u>	\$ <u>352,469</u>	\$ <u>323,297</u>	\$ <u>298,428</u>
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Note 1: In no case shall total indebtedness exceed seven times annual receipts from taxation of \$696.3 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. Also included is \$85 million for Kennedy Middle School and DePaolo Middle School Renovations. Southington is eligible for School Construction Grants up to a maximum of \$44.5 million.

TABLE 10

TOWN OF SOUTHTON, CONNECTICUT

LEGAL DEBT MARGIN INFORMATION

LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS
(In Thousands)

	FISCAL YEAR									
	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
Debt limitation	\$ 696,332	\$ 678,741	\$ 649,404	\$ 631,918	\$ 596,100	\$ 575,500	\$ 555,200	\$ 518,100	\$ 479,100	\$ 449,600
Total net debt applicable to limit	156,679	77,495	83,766	92,150	81,907	42,819	58,707	57,120	54,344	41,048
Legal Debt Margin	\$ 539,653	\$ 601,246	\$ 565,638	\$ 539,768	\$ 514,193	\$ 532,681	\$ 496,493	\$ 460,980	\$ 424,756	\$ 408,552
Total Net Debt Applicable to the Limit as a Percentage of Debt Limit	22.50%	11.42%	12.90%	14.58%	13.74%	7.44%	10.57%	11.02%	11.34%	9.13%

Source: Comprehensive Annual Financial Report - Schedule of Debt Limitation

Note: See Table 9 for calculation of current year debt limitation

TABLE 11

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)
2012	43,103	\$ 35,628	\$ 1,535,673,684	40.0	6,779	7.10 %
2011	43,130	35,956	1,550,782,280	42.0	6,828	7.40 %
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 %

Source:

- (1) State of Connecticut Department of Public Health as of July 1st of Prior Year.
- (2) U.S. Census Bureau, 2009-2011 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 2012.
- (5) Town of Southington, Board of Education.
- (6) State of Connecticut Department of Labor website Annual Averages. For 2012, June 2012 is utilized as an estimate. Next year it will be replaced with the Annual Average.

TABLE 12

TOWN OF SOUTHTON, CONNECTICUT

PRINCIPAL EMPLOYERS

2012 AND 2003

Employer	Nature of Business	2012			2003		
		Employees	Rank	Percentage of Total Town Employment	Employees	Rank	Percentage of Total Town Employment
Town of Southington	Municipality	1,214	1	4.84%	1,136	3	4.89%
Yards Metals	Manufacturing	400	2	1.59%	550	4	2.37%
Hospital of Central CT: Bradley Memorial Hospital	Hospital	382	3	1.52%	400	5	1.72%
Southington Care Center	Health Care Practice	312	4	1.24%			
Hartford Insurance Group	Insurance	307 (1)	5	1.22%	2,500	1	10.76%
Smith's Medical (Medex)	Manufacturing	276	6	1.10%	1,250	2	5.38%
The Home Depot	Retail Chain	248	7	0.99%	225	8	0.97%
Wal-Mart	Retail Chain	197	8	0.79%			
Stop & Shop	Retail Chain	179	9	0.71%			
Price Chopper	Retail Chain	177	10	0.71%			
Ethicon Endo Surgery	Health Care Practice				300	6	1.29%
Bradley Healthcare Center	Nursing/Rehab Health Facility				240	7	1.03%
Les Care Kitchens	Manufacturing				150	9	0.65%
Economy Spring and Stamping	Manufacturing				104	10	0.45%
Total		3,692		14.71%	6,855		29.31%

(1) Over the last couple of years, the Hartford Insurance Group closed two of its three buildings in Southington, thus reducing its workforce in town from 2,100 to 307.

FY 2003 Labor Force 23,232

FY 2012 Labor Force 25,095

Source: Town of Southington, Economic Development Office
Connecticut Department of Labor

TABLE 13

TOWN OF SOUTHTON, CONNECTICUT
FULL-TIME-EQUIVALENT TOWN GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES BY FUNCTION/PROGRAM
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

Function/Program	Fiscal Year Ended									
	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
General government	53	58	58	57	57	55	52	50	49	49
Police	84	85	85	85	85	79	79	77	76	77
Fire	33	33	33	33	32	33	32	32	32	32
Public works	34	35	35	37	37	37	35	34	33	33
Parks and recreation	12	11	11	13	13	13	13	12	12	12
Library and Barnes	20	20	20	19	19	18	18	18	18	18
Education ⁽¹⁾	955	939	931	904	907	890	871	858	856	855
Animal Control	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Sewer plant and office	12	13	13	12	13	13	12	12	12	12
Total	1,205	1,196	1,188	1,162	1,165	1,140	1,114	1,095	1,090	1,090

Notes:

(1) Beginning FY 2010, Education FTEs include food service workers.

Source: Town of Southton Finance Department and Board of Education records.
 Town utilized Department of Labor reports as of June 30th.

TABLE 14

TOWN OF SOUTHTON, CONNECTICUT
OPERATING INDICATORS BY FUNCTION/PROGRAM
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

Function/Program	FISCAL YEAR									
	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
General government:										
Building permits issued	1,424	1,284	1,210	1,181	1,311	1,464	1,541	1,701	1,594	1,343
Police:										
Physical arrests	903	993	1,000	971	1,247	1,265	967	1,049	2,462	1,565
Parking violations	342	409	867	1,123	500	892	785	362	492	331
Traffic violations	8,264	9,972	10,791	9,014	8,923	8,009	7,435	6,607	4,149	4,252
Fire:										
Emergency responses/Fire calls	2,213	2,284	1,808	1,911	2,083	2,058	1,927	1,940	2,036	2,068
Inspections	526 (1)	2,684	2,592	2,805	1,775	2,381	2,313	2,642	2,170	2,700
Refuse collection:										
Average refuse collected (tons per day)	115	121	121	131	146	153	126	117	118	110
Average recyclables collected (tons per day)	13	14	13	11	10	8	11	11	12	11
Other public works:										
Street resurfacing (miles)	3	4	3	4	5	4	5	4	4	5
Library:										
Total volumes loaned/Combined lending	753,021	701,854	708,039	651,120	572,071	439,685	321,596	307,911	276,957	260,399
Water:										
New connections	116	74	84	112	212	127	236	133	171	97
Average daily consumption (thousands of gallons)	3,829	3,853	3,559	3,929	3,887	4,002	3,950	3,612	3,710	3,760
Wastewater:										
Average daily sewage treatment (thousands of gallons)	5,080	4,070	5,000	5,030	4,690	4,900	5,200	4,420	4,700	4,250

(1) Beginning in FY 2012 Fire Department tracks inspections of property rather than inspector duties

Source: Town of Southington CAFRs, Annual Reports, and department records.

TABLE 15

TOWN OF SOUTHTINGTON, CONNECTICUT
CAPITAL ASSET STATISTICS BY FUNCTION/PROGRAM
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS

Function/Program	FISCAL YEAR									
	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
Police:										
Stations	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Patrol units	22	22	22	23	21	21	21	21	20	20
Fire stations	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
Other public works:										
Streets (miles)	199	198	198	197	196	195	194	193	190	188
Streetlights	4,228	4,201	4,173	4,011	4,011	3,973	3,945	3,692	3,692	3,692
Traffic signals	6	6	6	6	5	5	5	5	5	5
Parks and recreation:										
Acres	351	351	351	351	351	351	351	351	351	295
Parks	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	9
Swimming Pools	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Tennis Courts	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	11	11
Water:										
Water mains (miles)	199	196	196	195	193	190	190	190	190	189
Fire hydrants	1,405	1,384	1,358	1,345	1,301	1,268	1,268	1,260	1,245	1,225
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	139	138	138	137	137	136	135	133	132
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

Source: Town of Southington CAFRs, Annual Reports, and department records.