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www.SenatorSlossberg.cga.ct.gov

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Renter's Rebate Hotline.....860-418-6377

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Joining Together for Our Neighbors

A few weeks ago I joined 25 volunteers to knock on doors in West Haven to promote the Summer Meals program for children sponsored by End Hunger Connecticut. Free meals are available for kids and teens this summer. To find a summer meals site close to you, call 211, or visit www.CTSummerFood.org.

Your State Senator

Gayle Slossberg

Representing Milford, Orange, West Haven & Woodbridge



I was delighted to present Alec Voight, who served our country from 1943 to 1946, with the Connecticut Veterans Wartime Service Medal in a ceremony at the Milford Senior Center last summer. It was an honor to hear him speak during the ceremony.



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Boosting Aid to Our Towns

I am proud to say that Milford, Orange, West Haven and Woodbridge will be the recipients of significant resources from the state in the coming Fiscal Year 2015. These funds not only support our schools and help pave our roads, but they also help to relieve pressure on local property taxes.

State Grants	FY 2014	FY 2015	Difference
Milford, Orange, West Haven and Woodbridge	\$70,861,441	\$72,712,208	\$1,850,767



With Barry Kasdan at last year's dedication of the Moses M. Malkin Center at Bridges.

Investing in Community Providers

I helped nonprofits in Milford, West Haven and Woodbridge get chosen this year as grant awardees through the state's Nonprofit Grant Program. They include Bridges in Milford, Easter Seals Goodwill Industries in West Haven, and Marrakech in Woodbridge. Our local nonprofits are on the front lines, working each day to meet the growing demand for community-based services. These grants will enable them to continue meeting the needs of our cities and towns. I especially want to congratulate Bridges' CEO Barry Kasdan who is retiring this year. He leaves a lasting legacy of leadership, and will be missed.

Revitalizing West Haven's Main Street

With the help of state funding we will be able to finance the renovations of sidewalks and pedestrian access enhancements along Main Street from Campbell Avenue to Kelsey Avenue and Wagner Place. These streetscape improvements will encourage people to come downtown and appreciate West Haven's many offerings. This is a key step in our ongoing effort to revive the downtown area and help small businesses.



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Committed to Economic Recovery

Since the start of the global economic recession I've made it my mission as your State Senator to help small and mid-size businesses grow, create and retain jobs and put people back to work. As a result of bipartisan legislation, we launched the STEP-Up and Small Business Express programs which have assisted almost 2,000 of Connecticut's small businesses create or preserve more than 17,000 jobs. These initiatives offer job training support for veterans and the unemployed and low-interest loans and grants for small businesses.

Looking forward, Connecticut's new partnership with United Technologies Corporation will solidify our position as a world leader in aerospace manufacturing. Most importantly, this agreement has a direct impact on the 75,000 jobs at the thousands of aerospace supply chain companies throughout the state, ensuring they are keeping and creating good-paying jobs with good benefits for men and women in nearly every city and town in Connecticut.



Jobs for Veterans

I supported a bill that will remove barriers to entry into the civilian workplace for those who learned employable skills while in the service. This legislation will require state licensing authorities to accept military training and experience, where appropriate, as a substitute for other requirements, and will allow veterans to gain streamlined occupational certifications.



Veterans talk to employers at a Heroes for Hire job fair.

Resources to Grow Jobs

- ▶ **Job Expansion Tax Credits** for small businesses: www.decd.org
- ▶ **Small Business Express** to get funding for your small business: tinyurl.com/SmallBizXpress, or contact Michelle Peters at 860-270-8052 or Michelle.Peters@ct.gov
- ▶ **STEP-Up** (Subsidized Training & Employment Programs) provides worker training subsidies for small businesses and small manufacturers: www.stepct.com
- ▶ **Connecticut Reemployment Portal** if you have recently lost a job and are looking for work: www1.ctdol.state.ct.us/CTReP
- ▶ **Job & Career ConneCTion** for details on job and training programs: www.ctjobandcareer.org
- ▶ Learn more about **Job Growth in Connecticut**: www.senatedems.ct.gov/GrowJobs

A Rebate for Senior Renters

Being able to stay in their own home is a top priority for many senior citizens; however, this is a challenge for those living on a fixed income. In order to help offset a portion of their rent and utility expenses, we've re-opened the Elderly Renters' Rebate Program. Eligible persons may apply between April 1 and October 1. Questions about the program and payments should be directed to the **Renters' Rebate Hotline** at 860-418-6377.



Sharing information with constituents at the Milford Senior Center.

Expanding Youth Services

I was pleased to help cut the ribbon for the new Clubhouse at the Milford Boys & Girls Club. The space includes additional classrooms, a recreation room and a kitchenette. These organizations make our communities stronger and prepare our children to be successful lifelong learners. I was also proud to secure state funding to



finance renovations to the Woodruff Family YMCA's second floor that will accommodate growing enrollment in its preschool program.

Preserving the Character of Our Neighborhoods

After hearing from constituents regarding plans for overly aggressive tree trimming by utilities in our communities, I supported a bill this legislative session that establishes new guidelines for trimming near power lines. This new law will ensure that the public receives notice and can provide input from property owners before trees are trimmed. It also streamlines the process for objecting to proposed trimmings. I believe the measure strikes the proper balance, ensuring safety during severe weather events without sacrificing our state's natural beauty.

