

CITY OF NEW BRITAIN



Office of the Mayor

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

April 6, 2016

Media Advisory: Press Conference

WHAT: The **Friendship Service Center**, with the support of Mayor Erin Stewart and the Housing Committee of Building Hope Together, has received state funding to construct 11 units of permanent supportive housing.

WHEN: **Tuesday, April 12, 2016 – 11 a.m.**

WHERE: **New Britain Police Station Community Room**
11 Chestnut Street, New Britain

WHO: **Governor Dannel P. Malloy** (*invited*)
Commissioner Evonne M. Klein, CT Department of Housing (*invited*)
Mayor Erin Stewart, City of New Britain
Ellen Perkins Simpson, Executive Director, Friendship Service Center
Maria Falvo, President, American Savings Foundation

BACKGROUND:

Mayor Erin Stewart and the Housing Committee of Building Hope Together will share the news of a Competitive Housing Assistance for Multifamily Properties (CHAMP) grant from the Connecticut Department of Housing that will provide major funding for a permanent supportive housing complex on North Street in New Britain. The Friendship Service Center will own and manage the building, which will house chronically homeless individuals (including veterans) with disabilities, and provide on-site case management and support services.

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