

## Economic Development Newsletter

### May 2023

#### West Hartford Launches an EV Survey

*Help us shape the future of electric vehicle charging in Town*

The Town of West Hartford recently kicked off an electric vehicle readiness study. The purpose of this study is to identify future electric vehicle charging needs, develop design guidance and supporting Town policy, and position the Town for new federal funding for alternative fuel infrastructure.

As part of our study, we are conducting outreach to area businesses to understand the potential demand for electric vehicle charging stations, determine where they should be installed, and identify potential barriers and collaboration opportunities.

The survey can be found by following [this link](#). We look forward to hearing from you!



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#### Reminder: Community Job & Resource Fair is Tuesday!



**TOWN OF WEST HARTFORD &  
THE WEST HARTFORD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE  
PRESENT THE 3RD ANNUAL...**

**COMMUNITY JOB & RESOURCE FAIR**  
**MAY 23RD**  
**TUESDAY 4-7 PM 2023**  
**ELMWOOD COMMUNITY CENTER**  
**1106 NEW BRITAIN AVENUE**

 

The Town of West Hartford and the West Hartford Chamber of Commerce will hold a Community Job & Resource Fair on Tuesday May 23rd from 4PM to 7PM at Elmwood Community Center, 1106 New Britain Avenue (Access facility via Burgoyne Street.)

The event is FREE for job seekers.

Even if your business is not registered to have a table at the job fair, there is still great opportunity for you to attend! American Job Center and Capital Workforce Partners will be present to discuss additional employment opportunities, resources, and workforce development support for area businesses.

The Connecticut Center for Advanced Technology's [Manufacturing Innovation Fund](#) (MIF) Internship Program provides college students (rising sophomores through seniors) with an understanding of what it's like to work at an advanced manufacturer.

Besides firsthand experience, the program provides professional & networking opportunities and personal growth.

All Connecticut manufacturers can participate in the MIF Internship Program. Additionally, companies with less than 300 employees can apply for a matching wage subsidy grant and receive up to \$7,000 for up to two qualified engineering interns for summer 2023 work.

[Click Here to Learn More](#)

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**Check Out These Career Development Programs  
Offered at the West Hartford Public Library:**

# JOB RESOURCES AVAILABLE AT WHPL



Live job coaching, resumé assistance, interviewing resources, and more



In-person and one-on-one technology help and instruction



Expert mentoring and education for current and aspiring business owners

## ONLINE CLASSES

EBSCO LearningExpress  
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An online learning community that features thousands of classes for the creative and the curious



Online instruction and practice for over 100 world languages



Online classes across all subject areas



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[https://bit.ly/WHPL\\_Resources](https://bit.ly/WHPL_Resources)

## Upcoming Events at the State Capital:

### CT Open House Day Set For June 10th

**Connecticut Open House Day**, now in its 19th year, is an annual event held on the second Saturday of June.

The purpose of this event is to inspire Connecticut residents to learn about all the experiences in their own backyard, anticipating that this will convert them into ambassadors who will recommend these experiences to other visitors. The state heavily promotes this event and typically enjoys significant press coverage each year.

Registration is required.  
Please visit [ct.visit.com](https://ct.visit.com) for more info.

### CRA Night at the Capital is June 1

**The Connecticut Restaurant Association** will host a restaurant reception at the Legislative Office Building Atrium in Hartford on Thursday, June 1st.

The goal is to bring restaurateurs, vendors, & legislators together, showcase the incredible talents of our state's industry professionals in a relaxed, social setting, and demonstrate the power of our united industry during the final week of the 2023 Legislative Session.

If you are interested in learning more or to register, visit [ctrestaurant.org](https://ctrestaurant.org).

## MyCTSAvings Deadline Extended to August 31

The deadline for Connecticut employers to register with **MyCTSAvings** - the retirement plan overseen by the CT Office of the State Comptroller - has been extended.

The new deadline is August 31, 2023. That means that if you have five or more employees—each paid a minimum of \$5,000 in the calendar year—you have until August 31 to either register for the program or notify the Office of the State Comptroller that you already offer a qualified employer-sponsored retirement plan to your employees.

For more information: visit  
[MyCTSAvings.com](https://MyCTSAvings.com)

### Visit WBDC's eLearning Library

The Women's Business Development Council **eLearning Library** provides easy access to take a class when the timing is right for you—at your pace, on your schedule. Gain knowledge and practical skills to keep you moving forward.

Check it out at [CTwbdc.org](https://CTwbdc.org)!



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