



Community Outreach and Engagement at UConn Stamford

Presentation to the Board of Trustees

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Spectrum of Engagement

- Internal to External
 - Service
 - Volunteering
 - Serving on local boards, commissions and committees
 - Research
 - Activities with local organizations
 - Supporting local enterprises
- External to Internal
 - Community support of UConn and UConn Stamford
- Campus as Resource
 - Events hosted on campus by local government, state government, businesses, educational groups, and local organizations



Internal to External

- Service
 - Volunteering
 - Mill River Park
 - UConn Stamford Received Community Service Award Spring 2024
 - Local Schools
 - Mentoring and tutoring through Education classes and LCI
 - Local Clubs and Organizations
 - The Boys and Girls Club of Stamford
 - Future 5
 - LiveGirl



Internal to External (cont.)

- Research (as it relates to the community)
 - Health Disparities for Women of Color
 - Mental Health for Families
 - Artificial Intelligence
 - Financial Risk and Management
 - Urban renewal & the environment



Internal to External (cont.)

Serving on Boards, Commissions and Committees:

- Stamford Partnership
- Stamford Downtown (DSSD)
- Ferguson Library
- The Stamford Chamber of Commerce
- The Western Connecticut Economic Development District
- Mayor Simmons' Business Advisory Roundtable
- I-95 Stamford Planning and Environmental Linkage (PEL) Advisory Committee
- Stamford Public Education Foundation (SPEF)
- Cradle to Career
- LiveGirl
- Stamford Art Association
- Stamford Classified Retirees Association

External to Internal

- Internships
 - ~5,000 within 30 miles
- Grants to support students
 - Husky Harvest
- City vendor discounts for students
 - Restaurants
 - Services
 - Stores
- Mayor's Office
- Zoning Board support



Partnerships

- The Mayor and her office
 - Frequent guest and speaker
- Local restaurants:
 - The Local Eatery Meal Plan
- Stamford Partnership
 - High impact presentations to local business community
- Bi-annual Career Fair
 - 70+ Employers participate
- Stamford Downtown
 - The Annual Thanksgiving Parade



Campus as a Resource

- Government:
 - Mayor Simmons
 - Governor Lamont
 - CT Insurance Commissioner
- Chinese Language School and Chinmaya Mission of Lower Fairfield - Sunday classes September - June.
- 100 Black Men of Stamford: Annual college fair, mentorship programs for young adults
- Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority: outreach programs for young adults and women of color empowerment seminars, info sessions



- The Links of Fairfield County: Scholarship programs, women empowerment events and political awareness, financial literacy seminars
- Financial and retirement planning seminars:
 - Cohen & Siller, Robert Cannon Wealth Management
 - Diddel & Diddel Wealth Management/Retirement
- Foundation of Hope: Health & Wellness Fair
- Latinos of Real Estate: Hispanic Business Showcase
- Keller Williams/Jeremy Richard Library: Black History Month Showcase, new homebuyers' seminars
- Matthew Gaffney Foundation: Tutoring to high school students, SAT support for college entrance exams.