

STATE REPRESENTATIVE LUCY DATHAN PASSES BALANCED BUDGET WITH HISTORIC INVESTMENTS FOR NORWALK AND NEW CANAAN

We worked hard to deliver a strong bipartisan budget that adheres to our fiscal guardrails while still providing hundreds of millions in more funding to our local schools, CT colleges and universities, and services for our most vulnerable residents. We continued to address our long-term liabilities, saving millions every year. Most importantly, we did it by working together - without gimmicks or partisan politics.

BUILDING OFF LAST YEAR'S SUCCESS AND FINALIZED A RESPONSIBLE BUDGET

- Continues the Earned Income Tax Credit at its highest historic level – helping our lowest-earning workers and families
- Deposits \$3.3 billion into budget reserves, preparing us for any potential economic downturn
- Allows us to pre-pay an additional \$2.072 billion in unfunded pension liability

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STATE REPRESENTATIVE LUCY DATHAN **APPLAUDS \$30 MILLION IN FUNDING FOR RESIDENTS WITH** INTELLECTUAL AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES IN AN EFFORT TO AMELIORATE THE WAIT LIST FOR SERVICES



OUR BUDGET:



- Invests in preschool and other early education programs
- Increases funding for local schools and special education
- Expands student loan programs and debt-free community college



SUPPORTS OUR SAFETY NET

- Provides funding to nonprofit providers
- Provides 4.5% pay increases to striking group home employees
- Expands Medicaid coverage for services like primary healthcare, physical therapy, and meals



- Fliminates more state taxes on retirement by extending exemptions to taxpayers making \$100k and \$150k for joint filers
- Helps lower the cost of groceries by freezing scheduled increases on the diesel tax
- Tax cuts for 82% of filers making less than \$150k

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