

STATE REPRESENTATIVE MICHAEL DIGIOVANCARLO



We are halfway through the 2021 legislative session in Hartford.

I have been working hard since January to learn as much as possible in my new role as your state representative, so that I can serve you and our community to the best of my ability. Between listening to constituents and reading surveys, one thing that stands out to me is that finding the resources you need is sometimes difficult. To address that, I am sharing some departments and services you may find helpful.

As always, please feel free to reach out to me anytime, or if you are in need of assistance. I appreciate hearing from you and am **always** here to listen and help.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michael DiGiovancarlo". The signature is written in a cursive style.

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UNITED WAY 2-1-1 HELP LINE

Looking for assistance? United Way 2-1-1 may be able to help! 2-1-1 is Connecticut's one-stop shop to locate human services in your area. Programs and services range from meeting basic needs to accessing mental health and legal assistance and everything in between. You can dial 2-1-1 from any Connecticut phone, 24/7, to speak with a 2-1-1 coordinator or access online: www.211ct.org

UNITECT EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The U.S. Treasury made over \$25 billion available to assist Americans that are unable to pay rent and utilities due to the COVID-19 pandemic, with \$235 million available in Connecticut. The CT Department of Housing (DOH) UniteCT Program aims to remedy housing issues associated with the onset of COVID-19 for both the tenant and landlord. Eligible individuals and households may receive funding to pay for arrears, rental arrears, and prospective rent assistance. To learn more, visit online: portal.ct.gov/DOH/DOH/Programs/UniteCT

HISTORICAL INVESTMENTS IN CHILD CARE PROGRAMS

Connecticut is investing \$210 Million in COVID-19 funds to support child care services and families in need of child care - the first investment of its kind in our state. The plan includes expanding access to affordable child care for parents through Care4Kids, supporting child care workers and businesses with operational stabilization grants, and investing in quality training and development for child care workers to yield better short and long-term outcomes from our children.

STILL NEED YOUR COVID-19 VACCINE?

Learn more about where and how to receive the vaccine by visiting the CT Vaccine Portal: portal.ct.gov/vaccine-portal

Homebound? Request a visiting nurse through the CT Department of Public Health! To fill out an application, visit dphsubmissions.ct.gov/homebound



Want to subscribe to my email updates? Sign up by visiting my webpage: www.housedems.ct.gov/digiovancarlo

WATERBURY RESOURCES & INFORMATION

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

855-626-6632

www.ct.gov/dss/fieldoffices

DSS Field Offices are open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

YOUTH SERVICES

203-573-0264

www.waterburyyouthservices.org

FOOD PANTRY - CT FOOD BANK

203-759-1919

56 Eagle St, Waterbury, CT 06708

FREE TAX ASSISTANCE - NEW OPPORTUNITIES

203-431-2706

www.newoppinc.org/income-tax-preparation

BOARD OF EDUCATION

203-574-8009

waterburyct.org/filestorage/9569/10451/Board-of-education01215.pdf

SHARE YOUR VOICE WITH ME

Contact me anytime. I appreciate hearing from you and the community about what matters most to you. You can contact me at: michael.digiovancarlo@cga.ct.gov