

STATE REPRESENTATIVE JAIME FOSTER



Dear Neighbor:

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 with your thoughts or concerns, or if you are in need of assistance. I appreciate hearing from you and am always here to listen and help.

Best,

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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

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the CT Department of Housing (DOH) launched the UniteCT Emergency Rental Assistance Program to provide \$235 million to Connecticut tenants and landlords to remedy housing issues associated with the onset of COVID-19. Eligible individuals and households can receive funding to pay for arrears, rental arrears, and prospective rent assistance. To learn more, visit online: <https://bit.ly/2SeLGbB>.

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. To learn more, visit www.ctcare4kids.com.

STILL NEED YOUR COVID-19 VACCINE?

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

Are you homebound? You can request a visiting nurse through the CT Department of Public Health! To fill out an application, visit <https://dphsubmissions.ct.gov/homebound>.



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RESOURCES & INFORMATION

ELLINGTON FOOD PANTRY AND RESOURCES

For information on signing up for the Ellington Food Pantry, call 860-870-3128.

Food Pantries: "Grandma's Pantry," located at 31 Arbor Way and available all the time.

Crystal Lake Food Pantry, located at 278 Sandy Beach Rd(Rte. 140), in the community room of the United Methodist Church. Opened Mondays from 9:45-12PM.

Mobile Foodshare, located at Ellington LDS Church, 2 Maple Street. It is open to anyone, every other Thursday 9:00-9:30am.

ELLINGTON HUMAN SERVICES

860-870-3128

www.ellington-ct.gov/departments-and-services/human-services

ELLINGTON BOARD OF EDUCATION

860-896-2300

www.ellingtonpublicschools.org/district-information/board-of-education

ELLINGTON YOUTH SERVICES

860-870-3130

www.youth.ellington-ct.gov

ELLINGTON FIRST SELECTMAN

860-870-3100

www.ellington-ct.gov/departments-and-services/administrationfirst-selectman