



Dear neighbor,

While Washington is mired in chaos, cruelty, and corruption, I've been working with my colleagues to defend your rights and ensure your services. This is what we've done.

It was a very good budget year for working families, children, seniors, veterans, and Danbury. Our budget is balanced and targeted to you. The Danbury delegation – me, Representative Ken Gucker, Representative Farley Santos, and Senator Julie Kushner – collaborated on the largest funding amount for Danbury in history. It helps Mayor Roberto Alves keep property taxes down.

We invested in our children's future, defended democracy, and protected our values.

We combatted climate change and enhanced environmental protection. I'm pleased to have received a 100% rating by the Connecticut League of Conservation Voters.

We increased funding to local non-profits that provide you with critical services.

We worked hard to reduce your electricity bill, which I will report on separately.

The General Assembly will probably be in special session this fall to deal with the fallout from the destructive cuts in the federal budget.

As always, do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions, concerns, or comments on any state issue, or need help with a state agency. Call me at (800) 842-1902 or email me at bob.godfrey@cga.ct.gov.

Best regards,

Bob

PROTECTING YOUR VOTE

While Washington is attacking your voting rights, I'm defending them. You can vote absentee by mail, protected drop box, or in the town clerk's office. Early in-person voting will begin October 20. November 4 is election day for in-person voting. Voting should be safe, secure, and convenient. In Connecticut every vote counts because every vote is counted.



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A BALANCED BUDGET AND OUR SECOND-LARGEST SURPLUS IN STATE HISTORY

THANKS TO SOUND BUDGETING AND THE LEADERSHIP OF DEMOCRATS:

- We Delivered Single Greatest Investment in Children in Connecticut’s History
- We Increased Funds for Healthcare, Nursing Homes, and Non-Profits
- We Protected and Enhanced the Services You Need and Expect

WE DELIVERED TARGETED, MEANINGFUL RELIEF FOR WORKING FAMILIES THROUGH FAIRER TAX POLICIES:

- Established an Enhanced Tax Credit for Families
- Helped Families Save For College
- Invested in Our Workforce and Residents

BRINGING YOUR TAX \$ HOME

Educational Cost Sharing (ECS)	\$62,336,819
Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT)	\$6,549,570
Municipal Projects	\$15,027,540
Town Aid Road	\$1,180,966
Special Ed Expansion	\$552,480
Supplemental Revenue Sharing	\$2,278,850
Danbury Museum & Historical Society	\$100,000
Cultural Alliance of Western Connecticut	\$50,000
Danbury Grassroots Academy	\$50,000
Danbury Police Cadets	\$50,000
Dominican Community Center	\$30,000
Danbury Youth Soccer	\$20,000
Danbury Police Activities League (PAL)	\$300,000
City of Danbury Kids Summer Camp	\$100,000
Danbury Youth Services	\$83,930
WCSU Center for School Safety	\$1,311,092
EdAdvance	\$50,000
Regional Hospice	\$1,000,000
Danbury Police Cadets	\$25,000
Tarrywile Park	\$63,026

INVESTING IN OUR KIDS

- We established the Early Childhood Education Endowment - an investable trust fund that will create universal access to childcare - starting with a downpayment of nearly \$300 million.
- By 2027, families earning up to \$100,000 will be able to receive childcare at no cost, while families earning more than \$100,000 will pay no more than 7% of their income for childcare.

SPECIAL EDUCATION

- \$10 million in competitive grants for more in-district programming.
- \$221 million in annual reimbursement for special education costs.
- \$10 million in financing for capital projects related to special education.



Working for you in the House.
It’s my Favorite Job!



DANBURY SENIORS

- Ensured insurance coverage of biomarker testing to detect cancer early and improve treatment. (PA 25-16)
- Closed a loophole so that all employees at long-term care facilities undergo a background check. (PA 25-16)
- Provided free online college courses to our nursing home residents. (PA 25-16)
- Required greater consideration of how close your family lives when care homes try to transfer patients. (PA 25-16)
- Created anti-discrimination protections for residents of long-term care facilities and now require their staff to receive antidiscrimination training. Our state Department of Public Health and Long-Term Care Ombudsman can now investigate complaints and take disciplinary action. (PA 25-17)

HEALTHCARE & CHILDCARE

- Established inflationary increases for our nonprofit providers. (PA 25-151)
- Expanded Medicaid coverage for sickle cell treatment. (PA 25-63)
- Standardized and professionalized interpreter services for our residents who are deaf, blind, and hard of hearing while creating training opportunities and complaint investigation. (PA 25-144)
- Promoted access to new birthing centers, like the one in Danbury, and encouraged more paternal involvement in the health of mothers and children. (PA 25-38)
- Helped terminally ill young adults get off a Medicaid waitlist and navigate care through a different program. (PA 25-42)