

Dear Friends & Neighbors,

The 2025 legislative session was one of the most impactful in years, and I'm proud of the real results we delivered for New Britain.

We passed a balanced budget that includes a \$250 rebate for working families, \$300 million for childcare, and major investments in special education. We also passed energy reforms to lower utility bills while strengthening consumer protections.

I supported legislation to protect consumers, improve public safety, and increase government accountability. Through it all, we remained fiscally responsible, saving taxpayer dollars and paying down state debt faster.

This newsletter highlights more of what we accomplished in 2025. I'm grateful for the opportunity to serve and will continue fighting for working families in New Britain.

Sincerely,



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SUPPORTING CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

INVESTING IN SPECIAL EDUCATION

- We established the Early Childhood Education Endowment, starting with a down payment of nearly \$300 million.

FREE CHILDCARE

- 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.

TAKING PUBLIC SAFETY SERIOUSLY

- We expanded our “Fallen Officer Fund” to cover the families of firefighters, EMT personnel, and paramedics who are killed in the line of duty so that they can receive cash benefits and health insurance coverage.
- Increased penalties for street racing and takeovers, including two-year license suspensions.

HELPING OUT WORKERS & MIDDLE CLASS

- Increased the number of hour and wage inspectors at DOL to combat wage theft more effectively.
- Established a Connecticut-Puerto Rico Trade Commission to advance trade and investment between Connecticut and Puerto Rico, promote business and academic exchanges, and encourage economic support and infrastructure investments.
- Helped first-time home buyers save money through new tax-free savings accounts.

PROTECTING THE CONSUMER

- Required businesses, including landlords and car salesmen, to advertise all-in pricing and cracked down on hidden fees across industries.
- Expanded our price gouging laws to further protect consumers against exorbitant pricing.
- Simplified phone subscription cancellation.
- Forced social media companies to have policies on cyberbullying, stopped ads targeting minors online, and banned the sale of your sensitive data without your consent.

FUNDING FOR NEW BRITAIN

\$17.2 MILLION
for Education Cost Sharing Grant

\$3.4 MILLION
for Special Education Grants

\$300,000
for Additional Non-profits

\$100,000
for HRA’s Food Pantry

\$3,000
for MLK Memorial

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for CCSU Food Pantry

