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## **Pacific House Gets \$1.6M State Grant for 'Supportive Housing' for the Homeless in Stamford**

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With the start of the New Year came a substantial gift to Stamford-based Pacific House from the State of Connecticut. The state granted Pacific House \$1,610,456 for the acquisition of five affordable permanent supportive housing properties.

— *an announcement from* [Pacific House](#)

The properties comprise central Stamford's "Fairfield Commons" village, a development that preserved existing historic homes to create a supportive housing community.

With this grant, Pacific House will be able to advance its long-standing initiative to provide continued permanent supportive housing to the homeless community. Currently, Pacific House owns and manages six

affordable supported housing properties and two more are in development.

“We’re extremely grateful, these funds will allow our agency to continue its mission of developing and providing affordable housing and services to homeless people of the Greater Stamford community,” said Rafael Pagan Jr., executive director of Pacific House. “We thank former Gov. [Dannel] Malloy and the State of Connecticut for the continued support of our agency and its mission.”

The grant was part of approximately \$30.8 million in state grants awarded to 92 nonprofit organizations throughout Connecticut.

The grants were part of the state’s Nonprofit Grant Program, which assists organizations with the costs associated with one-time infrastructure improvements that improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the services provided by the organizations.

“Connecticut’s nonprofit organizations serve every resident of Connecticut and play a substantial role in maintaining our safety net,” Gov. Malloy said in a recent press release.

“Partnering with them is a smart fiscal investment to ensure that they can continue to provide services while doing so in an efficient, cost-effective way,” Malloy said. “By supporting capital purchases that enhance the delivery, efficiency, and effectiveness of the services they provide, these nonprofit organizations can focus their attention on what they do best — getting services to those who need them most.”

Since 1982 Pacific House, through its emergency shelter, housing and ongoing housing development work, has served 1 million meals, provided over 850,000 bed-nights, and secured housing for 1,500 people.

Pacific House is an innovator in transforming lives and helping clients become more self-sufficient. To learn more, or to make a donation, visit [www.PacificHouse.org](http://www.PacificHouse.org) or call 203-406-0017.