

## First County Bank Foundation Grants \$24,500 To Darien Nonprofits

DARIEN, Conn.— First County Bank Foundation awarded five Darien-based nonprofit groups a total of \$24,500 in grants to support the organizations with their mission to provide services in local communities.

The Stamford-based First County Bank Foundation awarded grants to:

- The Community Fund of Darien \$2,500 for local programs.
- At Home in Darien \$2,500 to increase transportation services for seniors.
- Darien Fire Department \$7,000 for a thermal-imaging camera.
- Person to Person \$7,500 for its Emergency Assistance Program to provide a safety net and emergency financial assistance to low-income individuals.
- The Tiny Miracles Foundation \$5,000 for financial aid to parents of premature babies.

Since its inception in 2001 in honor of the bank's 150th anniversary, the First County Bank Foundation has awarded individual grants worth over \$7 million.

"The foundation is proud to support these worthy charitable organizations which provide essential services to improve the lives of people in the local communities they serve," said Karen Kelly, vice president of First County Bank Foundation. "Much can be accomplished to positively impact our local community when businesses and individuals work together to support programs that ensure basic needs such as education and housing are met."

To be eligible for First County Bank Foundation grants, organizations must have nonprofit tax-exempt status under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code; be located in Stamford, Darien, Greenwich, New Canaan, Norwalk or Westport; have community support; address community needs; have measurable outcomes; and demonstrate fiscal and administrative responsibility. Special consideration is given to those agencies or programs benefiting low to moderate income populations.



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