

## **Stamford Peace wins grant for academic program**

STAMFORD — Stamford Peace Youth Foundation and its Beyond Limits Academic Program recently won a \$2,500 grant from First County Bank Foundation.

The grant enables the basketball-based nonprofit's academic program to deepen and grow its academic support, enrichment activities, informal mentoring and family advocacy for Stamford's most economically disadvantaged young people and families.

"We are grateful for First County Bank Foundation's generous contribution, which will allow us to continue to make available much-needed academic support and related educational programs for lower income families within our community for whom a dearth of such supports otherwise exist." Brian Kriftcher, founder and president of Stamford Peace Youth Foundation, said in a statement.

Stamford Peace's Beyond Limits Academic Program offers year-round academic tutoring in math and science—as well as enrichment activities, informal mentoring and academic advocacy—for approximately 150 Stamford students in the fifth through 12th grades. Beyond Limits seeks to instill academic confidence in its participants and level the playing field for the students it serves.