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Connecticut Center for Advanced Technology Secures \$900,000 for Community Funding Project in Connecticut's First District

CCAT to reinvest funding into manufacturing and technology workforce and small business development

EAST HARTFORD, March 14, 2022 –

On March 10, Rep. John B. Larson (CT-01) voted to fund \$6.38 million in Community Project Funding that he previously secured for the First District. This funding, included in the appropriations government funding package, responds directly to some of the most pressing needs in the Greater Hartford area.

As part of the funding, CCAT's Manufacturing & Technology CommUNITY eCommons program secured \$900,000 to reinvest into manufacturing and technology workforce and small business development.

"I'm proud to announce that 10 projects in the First District will receive more than \$6 million in the federal funding package that passed the House today. These projects combat food insecurity, support gun violence prevention and victims of gun violence, restore historic buildings, expand and enhance greenspace, help small businesses post-COVID, expand the East Hartford Library, move the Hartford400 vision forward, and address the Hartford/East Hartford's levee systems. These projects will have a profound impact on our communities now and into the future for generations to come. I thank Chair Rosa DeLauro for her support and all of the community advocates for their hard work," said Larson.

"The Community Funding Project will enable CCAT to provide valuable resources to small manufacturers throughout our community as we lead new and innovative programs that directly address the critical need to assist people in returning to work," **said Ron Angelo, CCAT's President & Chief Executive Officer.**

"With the support of Congressman Larson, the Connecticut Manufacturing & Technology CommUNITY eCommons will establish a collaborative platform to jump-start a career revolution for manufacturing. The CommUNITY eCommons will bring together state and municipal systems that address employer needs, educational resources, and job seeker support. The funding will amplify the work that Lynn Raicik and her team have accomplished over the last year and enable CCAT to continue being a vital intermediary between employers and career candidates," **continued Angelo.**

See a full list of projects [here](#).



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Felanyely Valdez, a participant in CCAT's Workforce Program, is pictured within our Advanced Technology Center in East Hartford.

About CCAT

The Connecticut Center for Advanced Technology, Inc. (CCAT), a nonprofit organization founded in 2004 and headquartered in East Hartford, CT, is a dynamic and innovative applied technology organization that leads regional and national partnerships that assist global industrial companies and the manufacturing supply chain across industry sectors in driving advancements, efficiencies, and the adoption of leading-edge technologies.

Our vision is transformative solutions for a connected world, and our mission is to lead the advancement of applied technologies, power the workforce of the future and inspire change.

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