

*April 20, 2023*

On April 18, 2023, the Connecticut General Assembly's Appropriations Committee voted their biennial budget proposal for fiscal years 2024 and 2025 out of committee.<sup>1</sup> Included in the proposed budget are policy changes and proposed appropriations to fund K-12 public education. This analysis details the changes to state K-12 education funding contained in the Appropriations Committee's proposed budget.

*PLEASE NOTE: The Appropriations Committee's budget proposal is only a spending plan, as the legislative responsibility for developing tax and revenue policy lies with the General Assembly's Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee.*

### **The Appropriations Committee budget continues the budget development process that started with the governor's proposed budget<sup>2</sup>**

- The Appropriations Committee reviewed the governor's budget proposal that was released in February.
- The Appropriations Committee's budget is utilized when the General Assembly negotiates a budget with the governor.
- The negotiated budget will be put to a vote by each chamber of the legislature.
- Once each chamber passes the same exact version of the budget, the budget is sent to the governor who will sign it into law, veto it, veto specific line items, or let it go into effect without signing.

### **Key Proposed Policies for K-12 Education**

- Education Cost Sharing (ECS) formula phase-in is continued per current law over the next two fiscal years, providing increases to "underfunded" towns.
- ECS grant contains a hold harmless provision for "overfunded" towns who would normally receive decreases in FYs 2024 and 2025, which provides them with funding at their FY 2023 levels.
- Budget contains a \$150 million appropriation for education finance reform in FY 2025, but it is not clear how the funds would be allocated to towns and school districts or if that was the intended purpose.
- Open Choice program is reduced by \$3 million in FYs 2024 and 2025, which is \$2.6 million more than the governor's proposed reduction in FY 2024 and \$1.6 million more than in FY 2025.
- Magnet school per-student grant amounts are not changed. However, the magnet school appropriation amount has been reduced by \$11.3 million in FY 2024 and \$3.4 million in FY 2025 to reflect updated enrollment projections.
- Grants to all 20 operating state charter schools will increase by \$3 million in total in FY 2024.

<sup>1</sup> Connecticut General Assembly, Office of Fiscal Analysis. (2023). *Appropriations Committee Budget FY 24 & FY 25*. Hartford, CT: Author. Retrieved from [https://www.cga.ct.gov/ofa/Documents/year/APPJF/2023APPJF-20230418\\_Appropriations%20Committee%20Budget%20FY%2024%20-%20FY%2025.pdf](https://www.cga.ct.gov/ofa/Documents/year/APPJF/2023APPJF-20230418_Appropriations%20Committee%20Budget%20FY%2024%20-%20FY%2025.pdf).

<sup>2</sup> A more detailed explanation of Connecticut's state budget process can be found at <https://schoolstatefinance.org/resources/connecticut-state-budget-process-office-of-fiscal-analysis>.

- New charter schools in Middletown, New Haven, and Norwalk are funded.
  - a. An adjustment of \$600,000 in FY 2024 and \$9.1 million in FY 2025 has been appropriated for these new charter schools,
  - b. Of the \$9.1 million for FY 2025, \$2.1 million is provided for the new charter school in Norwalk, \$4.75 million is appropriated for the new charter school in Middletown, and \$937,500 is provided for the new charter school in New Haven.
  - c. After funding is appropriated for the three new charter schools mentioned above, \$1.32 million in funding for FY 2025 remains unallocated.
- This budget invests in education finance transparency, with \$450,000 included to support three additional forensic analysis staff positions at the Connecticut State Department of Education.

### Analysis of Selected Appropriations

Table 1 below contains the Appropriations Committee's FY 2024 and FY 2025 recommended appropriations for significant education grants. Table 1 also contains FY 2023 appropriations and funding from the governor's budget proposal for comparative purposes. The appropriations included in Table 1 are education grants to municipalities and school districts in which the total estimated expenditures exceeded \$10 million in FY 2023, as well as state funding for school choice programs.

State education appropriations that would increase — as compared to FY 2023 estimated expenditures — under each budget proposal are highlighted in green, while those appropriations that would remain at FY 2023 estimated amounts are highlighted in yellow. State education appropriations that would decrease are highlighted in red.

**Table 1: Selected State Education Funding Under Proposed Biennial Budgets**

Grant	FY 2023 Appropriation <sup>3</sup>	Governor's Proposed Budget <sup>4</sup>		Appropriations Committee Budget <sup>5</sup>		Key Appropriations Policy Details
		FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2024	FY 2025	
<b>Education Equalization (ECS)</b>	\$2,178,800,382	\$2,224,205,070	\$2,269,470,702	\$2,233,420,315	\$2,287,900,235	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Continues current law ECS phase-in</li> <li>Provides additional funds to hold "Overfunded" towns harmless at FY 2023 grant levels</li> </ul>
<b>Magnet Schools</b>	\$292,926,486	\$282,542,141	\$292,984,265	\$281,942,141	\$287,484,265	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Adjusts funding to reflect reduced program enrollment</li> </ul>
<b>Regional Vocational – Technical School System<sup>6</sup></b>	\$147,409,256	\$161,877,298	\$164,583,764	\$161,877,298	\$164,583,764	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provides funds for increased wage costs</li> </ul>
<b>Technical High Schools – Other Expenses<sup>7</sup></b>	\$22,668,577	\$30,348,151	\$30,358,171	\$23,418,577	\$23,418,577	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Does not provide inflation increases</li> </ul>

<sup>3</sup> Conn. Acts 22-118.

<sup>4</sup> State of Connecticut, Office of Policy and Management. (2023). *Connecticut FY 2024 – FY 2025 Biennium Governor's Budget*. Hartford, CT: Author. Available from <https://portal.ct.gov/OPM/Bud-Budgets/2024-2025-Biennial-Budget/FY-2024-2025-Biennial-Budget>.

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<sup>6</sup> The CTECS is a separate state agency but included in this table as a major education expenditure.

<sup>7</sup> Ibid.

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		FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2024	FY 2025	
						<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>included in governor's budget</li> <li>Provides 22 new staff positions as also contained in governor's budget</li> </ul>
<b>Special Education Excess Cost</b>	\$156,119,782	\$156,119,782	\$156,119,782	\$156,119,782	\$156,119,782	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Funding maintained at FY 2023 appropriated levels</li> </ul>
<b>State Charter Schools</b>	\$134,477,285	\$134,477,285	\$134,477,285	\$138,077,285	\$143,584,785	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provides \$3 million in additional charter school funding in FY 2024</li> <li>Provides approximately \$9 million in additional funds for new charter schools in Middletown, New Haven, and Norwalk in FY 2025</li> </ul>

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<b>Priority School Districts</b>	\$30,818,778	\$30,818,778	\$30,818,778	\$30,818,778	\$30,818,778	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Funding maintained at FY 2023 appropriated levels</li> </ul>
<b>Open Choice</b>	\$38,360,327	\$28,588,386	\$29,921,705	\$31,189,780	\$31,472,503	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Adjusts funding to reflect reduced program enrollment</li> </ul>
<b>Commissioner's Network</b>	\$10,009,398	\$9,869,398	\$9,869,398	\$9,869,398	\$9,869,398	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Funding is reduced due to administrative efficiencies</li> </ul>
<b>Vocational Agriculture</b>	\$18,824,200	\$18,824,200	\$18,824,200	\$18,824,200	\$18,824,200	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Funding maintained at FY 2023 appropriated levels</li> </ul>
<b>Local Charter Schools</b>	\$957,000	\$957,000	\$957,000	\$957,000	\$957,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Funding maintained at FY 2023 appropriated levels</li> </ul>
<b>Sheff Transportation</b>	\$54,240,688	\$70,825,009	\$75,465,173	\$70,825,009	\$75,465,173	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Increase in funding due to new Sheff transportation contract</li> </ul>
<b>Non-Sheff Transportation</b>	\$10,078,550	\$14,944,797	\$15,675,787	\$14,944,797	\$15,675,787	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The additional funding for Open Choice outside the</li> </ul>

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		FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2024	FY 2025	
						Sheff region is now in Non-Sheff Transportation rather than Sheff Transportation
<b>Sheff Settlement</b>	\$22,633,895	\$23,068,530	\$18,684,967	\$23,068,530	\$18,684,967	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Funding increased for additional choice seats</li> <li>Decrease reflects end of extracurricular supports in the final Sheff settlement</li> </ul>
<b>Education Finance Reform</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$150,000,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>New line item for funding new education finance reforms in FY 2025</li> </ul>

## Analysis of Education Cost Sharing (ECS) Grant

To distribute state education aid to towns for their local and regional public school districts, Connecticut uses the ECS formula, which was adopted in 2017 as part of the state budget and first used and implemented in FY 2019.

Under the Appropriations Committee's proposed budget, ECS funding would increase to continue the statutory phase-in of funding to historically underfunded districts and would maintain FY 2023 funding levels for overfunded towns, holding them harmless. It is projected to require an additional \$6.6 million in FY 2024 and \$13.2 million in FY 2025 to hold overfunded towns harmless over the biennium.

In total, the Appropriations Committee's proposed budget provides approximately \$54.9 million more in ECS funding in FY 2024, and about \$109.3 million more in FY 2025, over estimated FY 2023 ECS funding. This represents an increase of \$9.2 million in FY 2024 and \$18.4 million in FY 2025 over the governor's proposed budget, which is largely reflective of the choice to hold harmless those towns that are scheduled to receive decreases in ECS support.

The Appropriations Committee budget includes \$150 million in new funding in FY 2025 for the purposes of education finance reform, but there are no additional details as to the policy this funding would implement, and no information on the allocation of this funding to support school districts if that is the intent. While members of the Appropriations Committee specified during their committee meeting on April 18<sup>th</sup> that this funding is intended to implement parts of H.B. 5003, which unanimously passed the Education Committee this legislative session and currently awaits action in the House of Representatives, there is no further information available on the parts of H.B. 5003 this funding is intended to fund.

Table 2 below compares, town by town, the **estimated** ECS grants for FY 2024 and FY 2025 under the Appropriations Committee's proposed budget and Governor Lamont's budget proposal, with a comparison to estimated FY 2023 grant amounts. Please note that towns scheduled to receive increases in ECS funding would receive the same grant amounts under Governor Lamont's proposed budget and the Appropriations Committee's proposed budget, and the differences between these proposals for such towns shown in the table below are due to updated student enrollment data available to the Appropriations Committee during its budget crafting process.

**Table 2: Estimated Town ECS Grants for FYs 2024 and 2025  
Under the Governor's and Appropriations Committee's Proposed Budgets**

Note: Budgeted appropriations may differ from final grant amounts made by the Connecticut State Department of Education (CSDE) to towns and school districts because final grant calculations take additional statutory provisions into account. Therefore, towns and school districts should wait for final grant amounts to be released by the CSDE before finalizing these amounts in their budgets.

Town	FY 2023 Est. Expenditures <sup>8</sup>	Governor Lamont's Proposed Budget <sup>9</sup>		Appropriations Proposed Budget <sup>10</sup>		Difference Governor Lamont's Proposed Budget		Difference Appropriations Proposed Budget	
		FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2024	FY 2025
Andover	\$2,004,782	\$1,941,647	\$1,878,522	\$2,004,782	\$2,004,782	-\$63,135	-\$126,260	\$0	\$0
Ansonia	\$18,893,447	\$19,422,920	\$19,952,393	\$19,422,268	\$19,951,089	\$529,473	\$1,058,946	\$528,821	\$1,057,642
Ashford	\$3,459,062	\$3,332,582	\$3,206,122	\$3,459,062	\$3,459,062	-\$126,480	-\$252,940	\$0	\$0
Avon	\$584,016	\$742,914	\$901,812	\$742,914	\$901,812	\$158,898	\$317,796	\$158,898	\$317,796
Barkhamsted	\$1,494,242	\$1,492,570	\$1,490,899	\$1,494,242	\$1,494,242	-\$1,672	-\$3,343	\$0	\$0
Beacon Falls	\$4,012,796	\$4,033,756	\$4,054,716	\$4,033,756	\$4,054,716	\$20,960	\$41,920	\$20,960	\$41,920
Berlin	\$5,870,600	\$5,861,963	\$5,853,323	\$5,870,600	\$5,870,600	-\$8,637	-\$17,277	\$0	\$0
Bethany	\$1,764,574	\$1,650,527	\$1,536,497	\$1,764,574	\$1,764,574	-\$114,047	-\$228,077	\$0	\$0
Bethel	\$7,888,281	\$8,184,354	\$8,480,428	\$8,193,009	\$8,497,737	\$296,073	\$592,147	\$304,728	\$609,456
Bethlehem	\$1,180,408	\$1,218,610	\$1,256,812	\$1,218,610	\$1,256,812	\$38,202	\$76,404	\$38,202	\$76,404
Bloomfield	\$7,010,829	\$7,262,845	\$7,514,861	\$7,262,845	\$7,514,861	\$252,016	\$504,032	\$252,016	\$504,032
Bolton	\$2,683,216	\$2,626,382	\$2,569,557	\$2,683,216	\$2,683,216	-\$56,834	-\$113,659	\$0	\$0

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		FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2024	FY 2025
Bozrah	\$1,190,095	\$1,138,226	\$1,086,365	\$1,190,095	\$1,190,095	-\$51,869	-\$103,730	\$0	\$0
Branford	\$3,052,263	\$3,453,704	\$3,855,145	\$3,454,772	\$3,857,281	\$401,441	\$802,882	\$402,509	\$805,018
Bridgeport	\$188,959,875	\$192,317,628	\$195,675,337	\$192,456,851	\$195,953,827	\$3,357,753	\$6,715,462	\$3,496,976	\$6,993,952
Bridgewater	\$61,058	\$86,900	\$112,742	\$86,900	\$112,742	\$25,842	\$51,684	\$25,842	\$51,684
Bristol	\$49,384,216	\$50,770,968	\$52,157,720	\$50,819,280	\$52,254,344	\$1,386,752	\$2,773,504	\$1,435,064	\$2,870,128
Brookfield	\$962,317	\$926,091	\$889,870	\$962,317	\$962,317	-\$36,226	-\$72,447	\$0	\$0
Brooklyn	\$6,926,095	\$6,956,677	\$6,987,259	\$6,969,690	\$7,013,286	\$30,582	\$61,164	\$43,595	\$87,191
Burlington	\$4,190,818	\$4,364,956	\$4,539,094	\$4,364,956	\$4,539,094	\$174,138	\$348,276	\$174,138	\$348,276
Canaan	\$125,752	\$111,680	\$97,610	\$125,752	\$125,752	-\$14,072	-\$28,142	\$0	\$0
Canterbury	\$4,004,835	\$3,884,688	\$3,764,559	\$4,004,835	\$4,004,835	-\$120,147	-\$240,276	\$0	\$0
Canton	\$3,634,027	\$3,797,700	\$3,961,373	\$3,810,492	\$3,986,957	\$163,673	\$327,346	\$176,465	\$352,930
Chaplin	\$1,652,147	\$1,582,639	\$1,513,142	\$1,652,147	\$1,652,147	-\$69,508	-\$139,005	\$0	\$0
Cheshire	\$9,420,222	\$9,439,993	\$9,459,764	\$9,439,993	\$9,459,764	\$19,771	\$39,542	\$19,771	\$39,542
Chester	\$910,789	\$942,336	\$973,883	\$942,336	\$973,883	\$31,547	\$63,094	\$31,547	\$63,094
Clinton	\$5,192,084	\$4,974,130	\$4,756,209	\$5,192,084	\$5,192,084	-\$217,954	-\$435,875	\$0	\$0
Colchester	\$12,040,218	\$11,542,824	\$11,045,505	\$12,040,218	\$12,040,218	-\$497,394	-\$994,713	\$0	\$0
Colebrook	\$403,912	\$379,697	\$355,486	\$403,912	\$403,912	-\$24,215	-\$48,426	\$0	\$0
Columbia	\$2,316,189	\$2,240,359	\$2,164,540	\$2,316,189	\$2,316,189	-\$75,830	-\$151,649	\$0	\$0
Cornwall	\$14,039	\$17,184	\$20,330	\$17,184	\$20,330	\$3,145	\$6,291	\$3,145	\$6,291
Coventry	\$7,952,911	\$7,818,245	\$7,683,600	\$7,952,911	\$7,952,911	-\$134,666	-\$269,311	\$0	\$0
Cromwell	\$5,191,249	\$5,403,481	\$5,615,713	\$5,420,950	\$5,650,651	\$212,232	\$424,464	\$229,701	\$459,402
Danbury	\$42,719,762	\$45,684,863	\$48,649,964	\$45,682,808	\$48,645,854	\$2,965,101	\$5,930,202	\$2,963,046	\$5,926,092
Darien	\$472,340	\$485,907	\$499,474	\$485,907	\$499,474	\$13,567	\$27,134	\$13,567	\$27,134
Deep River	\$1,671,457	\$1,669,646	\$1,667,835	\$1,671,457	\$1,671,457	-\$1,811	-\$3,622	\$0	\$0

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Derby	\$9,371,044	\$9,763,920	\$10,156,796	\$9,782,696	\$10,194,348	\$392,876	\$785,752	\$411,652	\$823,304
Durham	\$3,174,726	\$3,208,722	\$3,242,718	\$3,208,722	\$3,242,718	\$33,996	\$67,992	\$33,996	\$67,992
East Granby	\$1,445,791	\$1,476,503	\$1,507,216	\$1,476,417	\$1,507,043	\$30,712	\$61,425	\$30,626	\$61,252
East Haddam	\$3,555,957	\$3,473,827	\$3,391,709	\$3,555,957	\$3,555,957	-\$82,130	-\$164,248	\$0	\$0
East Hampton	\$6,902,775	\$6,960,947	\$7,019,119	\$6,960,947	\$7,019,119	\$58,172	\$116,344	\$58,172	\$116,344
East Hartford	\$58,601,580	\$60,848,109	\$63,094,638	\$60,847,465	\$63,093,350	\$2,246,529	\$4,493,058	\$2,245,885	\$4,491,770
East Haven	\$19,869,202	\$19,879,401	\$19,889,600	\$19,876,965	\$19,884,728	\$10,199	\$20,398	\$7,763	\$15,526
East Lyme	\$6,076,507	\$5,791,834	\$5,507,204	\$6,076,507	\$6,076,507	-\$284,673	-\$569,303	\$0	\$0
East Windsor*	\$5,669,122	\$5,669,122	\$5,669,122	\$5,669,122	\$5,669,122	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Eastford	\$947,176	\$906,737	\$866,304	\$947,176	\$947,176	-\$40,439	-\$80,872	\$0	\$0
Easton	\$210,419	\$233,243	\$256,067	\$233,266	\$256,113	\$22,824	\$45,648	\$22,847	\$45,694
Ellington	\$10,099,106	\$10,333,424	\$10,567,742	\$10,341,646	\$10,584,186	\$234,318	\$468,636	\$242,540	\$485,080
Enfield*	\$29,823,645	\$29,823,645	\$29,823,645	\$29,823,645	\$29,823,645	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Essex	\$150,685	\$171,618	\$192,551	\$171,618	\$192,551	\$20,933	\$41,866	\$20,933	\$41,866
Fairfield	\$1,120,360	\$1,124,616	\$1,128,872	\$1,124,616	\$1,128,872	\$4,256	\$8,512	\$4,256	\$8,512
Farmington	\$907,576	\$1,252,404	\$1,597,232	\$1,252,404	\$1,597,232	\$344,828	\$689,656	\$344,828	\$689,656
Franklin	\$736,256	\$697,564	\$658,876	\$736,256	\$736,256	-\$38,692	-\$77,380	\$0	\$0
Glastonbury	\$5,379,255	\$5,655,724	\$5,932,193	\$5,655,724	\$5,932,193	\$276,469	\$552,938	\$276,469	\$552,938
Goshen	\$182,146	\$231,768	\$281,390	\$231,768	\$281,390	\$49,622	\$99,244	\$49,622	\$99,244
Granby	\$5,278,314	\$5,226,479	\$5,174,651	\$5,278,314	\$5,278,314	-\$51,835	-\$103,663	\$0	\$0
Greenwich	\$569,418	\$660,549	\$751,680	\$660,555	\$751,692	\$91,131	\$182,262	\$91,137	\$182,274
Griswold	\$10,925,151	\$10,875,427	\$10,825,710	\$10,925,151	\$10,925,151	-\$49,724	-\$99,441	\$0	\$0
Groton*	\$25,040,045	\$25,040,045	\$25,040,045	\$25,040,045	\$25,040,045	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Guilford	\$1,766,084	\$1,567,766	\$1,369,478	\$1,766,084	\$1,766,084	-\$198,318	-\$396,606	\$0	\$0

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Haddam	\$2,368,269	\$2,748,356	\$3,128,443	\$2,748,356	\$3,128,443	\$380,087	\$760,174	\$380,087	\$760,174
Hamden	\$32,878,103	\$34,856,131	\$36,834,159	\$34,895,170	\$36,912,238	\$1,978,028	\$3,956,056	\$2,017,067	\$4,034,135
Hampton	\$1,058,408	\$984,348	\$910,299	\$1,058,408	\$1,058,408	-\$74,060	-\$148,109	\$0	\$0
Hartford	\$213,879,452	\$215,957,970	\$218,036,488	\$215,966,982	\$218,054,512	\$2,078,518	\$4,157,036	\$2,087,530	\$4,175,060
Hartland	\$1,071,722	\$1,003,571	\$935,430	\$1,071,722	\$1,071,722	-\$68,151	-\$136,292	\$0	\$0
Harwinton	\$2,451,411	\$2,506,509	\$2,561,608	\$2,506,509	\$2,561,608	\$55,098	\$110,197	\$55,098	\$110,197
Hebron	\$5,997,693	\$5,713,831	\$5,430,011	\$5,997,693	\$5,997,693	-\$283,862	-\$567,682	\$0	\$0
Kent	\$32,638	\$34,148	\$35,659	\$34,148	\$35,659	\$1,510	\$3,021	\$1,510	\$3,021
Killingly*	\$15,574,402	\$15,574,402	\$15,574,402	\$15,574,402	\$15,574,402	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Killingworth	\$1,743,835	\$1,811,469	\$1,879,103	\$1,811,469	\$1,879,103	\$67,634	\$135,268	\$67,634	\$135,268
Lebanon	\$4,578,589	\$4,349,784	\$4,121,013	\$4,578,589	\$4,578,589	-\$228,805	-\$457,576	\$0	\$0
Ledyard	\$11,492,516	\$11,624,199	\$11,755,882	\$11,624,199	\$11,755,882	\$131,683	\$263,366	\$131,683	\$263,366
Lisbon	\$2,899,516	\$2,774,517	\$2,649,536	\$2,899,516	\$2,899,516	-\$124,999	-\$249,980	\$0	\$0
Litchfield	\$1,309,880	\$1,306,957	\$1,304,035	\$1,309,880	\$1,309,880	-\$2,923	-\$5,845	\$0	\$0
Lyme	\$129,597	\$169,000	\$208,403	\$169,066	\$208,535	\$39,403	\$78,806	\$39,469	\$78,938
Madison	\$395,466	\$379,791	\$364,118	\$395,466	\$395,466	-\$15,675	-\$31,348	\$0	\$0
Manchester	\$41,134,504	\$42,915,663	\$44,696,822	\$42,920,769	\$44,707,034	\$1,781,159	\$3,562,318	\$1,786,265	\$3,572,530
Mansfield	\$9,459,722	\$9,555,065	\$9,650,408	\$9,562,811	\$9,665,900	\$95,343	\$190,686	\$103,089	\$206,178
Marlborough	\$2,904,887	\$2,952,089	\$2,999,288	\$2,952,089	\$2,999,291	\$47,202	\$94,401	\$47,202	\$94,404
Meriden	\$69,151,848	\$71,875,826	\$74,599,804	\$71,875,826	\$74,599,804	\$2,723,978	\$5,447,956	\$2,723,978	\$5,447,956
Middlebury	\$1,253,060	\$1,451,313	\$1,649,566	\$1,451,313	\$1,649,566	\$198,253	\$396,506	\$198,253	\$396,506
Middlefield	\$1,888,165	\$1,959,060	\$2,029,956	\$1,958,902	\$2,029,639	\$70,895	\$141,791	\$70,737	\$141,474
Middletown	\$22,847,375	\$23,834,438	\$24,821,493	\$23,859,873	\$24,872,371	\$987,063	\$1,974,118	\$1,012,498	\$2,024,996
Milford	\$9,673,235	\$9,244,861	\$8,816,551	\$9,673,235	\$9,673,235	-\$428,374	-\$856,684	\$0	\$0

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		FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2024	FY 2025
Monroe	\$5,272,935	\$5,167,503	\$5,062,087	\$5,272,935	\$5,272,935	-\$105,432	-\$210,848	\$0	\$0
Montville	\$12,802,864	\$12,712,780	\$12,622,709	\$12,802,864	\$12,802,864	-\$90,084	-\$180,155	\$0	\$0
Morris	\$163,736	\$194,211	\$224,686	\$194,211	\$224,686	\$30,475	\$60,950	\$30,475	\$60,950
Naugatuck	\$33,213,827	\$33,775,612	\$34,337,397	\$33,783,140	\$34,352,454	\$561,785	\$1,123,570	\$569,313	\$1,138,627
New Britain	\$103,550,543	\$107,209,163	\$110,867,783	\$107,212,343	\$110,874,143	\$3,658,620	\$7,317,240	\$3,661,800	\$7,323,600
New Canaan	\$407,264	\$422,138	\$437,012	\$422,560	\$437,856	\$14,874	\$29,748	\$15,296	\$30,592
New Fairfield	\$3,481,120	\$3,277,664	\$3,074,239	\$3,481,120	\$3,481,120	-\$203,456	-\$406,881	\$0	\$0
New Hartford	\$2,913,010	\$2,887,093	\$2,861,179	\$2,913,010	\$2,913,010	-\$25,917	-\$51,831	\$0	\$0
New Haven	\$163,413,696	\$165,311,489	\$167,209,282	\$165,306,789	\$167,199,883	\$1,897,793	\$3,795,586	\$1,893,093	\$3,786,187
New London	\$30,485,534	\$30,943,163	\$31,400,792	\$30,943,539	\$31,401,544	\$457,629	\$915,258	\$458,005	\$916,010
New Milford	\$11,124,188	\$11,265,738	\$11,407,288	\$11,266,883	\$11,409,578	\$141,550	\$283,100	\$142,695	\$285,390
Newington	\$14,436,217	\$15,311,720	\$16,187,223	\$15,311,720	\$16,187,223	\$875,503	\$1,751,006	\$875,503	\$1,751,006
Newtown	\$4,495,691	\$4,299,938	\$4,104,214	\$4,495,691	\$4,495,691	-\$195,753	-\$391,477	\$0	\$0
Norfolk	\$34,609	\$39,307	\$44,005	\$39,307	\$44,005	\$4,698	\$9,396	\$4,698	\$9,396
North Branford	\$7,331,325	\$7,112,086	\$6,892,877	\$7,331,325	\$7,331,325	-\$219,239	-\$438,448	\$0	\$0
North Canaan	\$1,781,954	\$1,777,736	\$1,773,518	\$1,781,954	\$1,781,954	-\$4,218	-\$8,436	\$0	\$0
North Haven	\$3,992,982	\$4,182,291	\$4,371,601	\$4,184,787	\$4,376,592	\$189,309	\$378,619	\$191,805	\$383,610
North Stonington	\$2,584,204	\$2,655,037	\$2,725,870	\$2,660,307	\$2,736,410	\$70,833	\$141,666	\$76,103	\$152,206
Norwalk	\$13,715,817	\$14,256,797	\$14,797,777	\$14,269,949	\$14,824,081	\$540,980	\$1,081,960	\$554,132	\$1,108,264
Norwich	\$41,447,911	\$42,481,143	\$43,514,375	\$42,902,299	\$44,356,687	\$1,033,232	\$2,066,464	\$1,454,388	\$2,908,776
Old Lyme	\$560,155	\$747,120	\$934,085	\$747,419	\$934,683	\$186,965	\$373,930	\$187,264	\$374,528
Old Saybrook	\$130,788	\$131,261	\$131,734	\$131,261	\$131,734	\$473	\$946	\$473	\$946
Orange	\$1,015,498	\$995,763	\$976,031	\$1,015,498	\$1,015,498	-\$19,735	-\$39,467	\$0	\$0
Oxford	\$3,677,011	\$3,537,476	\$3,397,962	\$3,677,011	\$3,677,011	-\$139,535	-\$279,049	\$0	\$0

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		FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2024	FY 2025
Plainfield	\$14,990,047	\$15,364,444	\$15,364,444	\$15,364,444	\$15,364,444	\$374,397	\$374,397	\$374,397	\$374,397
Plainville	\$11,134,521	\$11,367,911	\$11,601,301	\$11,368,382	\$11,602,243	\$233,390	\$466,780	\$233,861	\$467,722
Plymouth	\$9,802,121	\$9,700,783	\$9,599,460	\$9,802,121	\$9,802,121	-\$101,338	-\$202,661	\$0	\$0
Pomfret	\$2,670,987	\$2,631,436	\$2,591,891	\$2,670,987	\$2,670,987	-\$39,551	-\$79,096	\$0	\$0
Portland	\$4,544,357	\$4,563,519	\$4,582,682	\$4,560,730	\$4,577,103	\$19,162	\$38,325	\$16,373	\$32,746
Preston	\$2,952,496	\$2,855,599	\$2,758,716	\$2,952,496	\$2,952,496	-\$96,897	-\$193,780	\$0	\$0
Prospect	\$5,142,865	\$5,358,322	\$5,573,779	\$5,358,322	\$5,573,779	\$215,457	\$430,914	\$215,457	\$430,914
Putnam*	\$8,340,282	\$8,340,282	\$8,340,282	\$8,340,282	\$8,340,282	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Redding	\$212,468	\$227,484	\$242,500	\$227,484	\$242,500	\$15,016	\$30,032	\$15,016	\$30,032
Ridgefield	\$568,700	\$564,225	\$559,751	\$568,700	\$568,700	-\$4,475	-\$8,949	\$0	\$0
Rocky Hill	\$5,778,936	\$6,335,194	\$6,891,452	\$6,336,110	\$6,893,284	\$556,258	\$1,112,516	\$557,174	\$1,114,348
Roxbury	\$91,189	\$118,219	\$145,249	\$118,219	\$145,249	\$27,030	\$54,060	\$27,030	\$54,060
Salem	\$2,525,078	\$2,436,175	\$2,347,285	\$2,525,078	\$2,525,078	-\$88,903	-\$177,793	\$0	\$0
Salisbury	\$32,924	\$39,916	\$46,908	\$39,916	\$46,908	\$6,992	\$13,984	\$6,992	\$13,984
Scotland	\$1,274,671	\$1,221,576	\$1,168,489	\$1,274,671	\$1,274,671	-\$53,095	-\$106,182	\$0	\$0
Seymour	\$10,769,108	\$11,138,807	\$11,508,506	\$11,137,502	\$11,505,896	\$369,699	\$739,398	\$368,394	\$736,788
Sharon	\$18,677	\$20,532	\$22,388	\$20,433	\$22,189	\$1,855	\$3,711	\$1,756	\$3,512
Shelton	\$6,981,137	\$7,108,264	\$7,235,391	\$7,115,795	\$7,250,453	\$127,127	\$254,254	\$134,658	\$269,316
Sherman	\$46,995	\$46,054	\$45,113	\$46,995	\$46,995	-\$941	-\$1,882	\$0	\$0
Simsbury	\$7,000,416	\$7,222,895	\$7,445,375	\$7,222,594	\$7,444,773	\$222,479	\$444,959	\$222,178	\$444,357
Somers	\$5,692,630	\$5,589,381	\$5,486,148	\$5,692,630	\$5,692,630	-\$103,249	-\$206,482	\$0	\$0
South Windsor	\$11,408,078	\$11,069,206	\$10,730,385	\$11,408,078	\$11,408,078	-\$338,872	-\$677,693	\$0	\$0
Southbury	\$4,961,814	\$5,585,910	\$6,210,006	\$5,586,719	\$6,211,625	\$624,096	\$1,248,192	\$624,905	\$1,249,811
Southington	\$20,466,417	\$20,632,650	\$20,798,883	\$20,633,488	\$20,800,559	\$166,233	\$332,466	\$167,071	\$334,142

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		FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2024	FY 2025
Sprague	\$2,693,092	\$2,707,763	\$2,722,434	\$2,706,745	\$2,720,398	\$14,671	\$29,342	\$13,653	\$27,306
Stafford	\$9,551,487	\$9,300,976	\$9,050,503	\$9,551,487	\$9,551,487	-\$250,511	-\$500,984	\$0	\$0
Stamford	\$15,979,193	\$17,125,938	\$18,272,683	\$17,145,212	\$18,311,231	\$1,146,745	\$2,293,490	\$1,166,019	\$2,332,038
Sterling	\$3,174,585	\$3,055,590	\$2,936,613	\$3,174,585	\$3,174,585	-\$118,995	-\$237,972	\$0	\$0
Stonington	\$1,073,011	\$952,402	\$831,811	\$1,073,011	\$1,073,011	-\$120,609	-\$241,200	\$0	\$0
Stratford	\$26,275,342	\$27,243,570	\$28,211,798	\$27,243,762	\$28,212,183	\$968,228	\$1,936,456	\$968,420	\$1,936,841
Suffield	\$6,148,151	\$6,157,292	\$6,166,429	\$6,163,717	\$6,179,283	\$9,141	\$18,278	\$15,566	\$31,132
Thomaston	\$5,481,226	\$5,432,979	\$5,384,739	\$5,481,226	\$5,481,226	-\$48,247	-\$96,487	\$0	\$0
Thompson*	\$7,534,704	\$7,534,704	\$7,534,704	\$7,534,704	\$7,534,704	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Tolland	\$9,105,528	\$8,930,150	\$8,754,798	\$9,105,528	\$9,105,528	-\$175,378	-\$350,730	\$0	\$0
Torrington	\$28,934,962	\$30,194,926	\$31,454,890	\$30,194,857	\$31,454,752	\$1,259,964	\$2,519,928	\$1,259,895	\$2,519,790
Trumbull	\$2,323,541	\$2,198,596	\$2,073,669	\$2,323,541	\$2,323,541	-\$124,945	-\$249,872	\$0	\$0
Union	\$211,728	\$210,277	\$208,826	\$211,728	\$211,728	-\$1,451	-\$2,902	\$0	\$0
Vernon	\$20,926,068	\$21,344,994	\$21,763,920	\$21,344,994	\$21,763,920	\$418,926	\$837,852	\$418,926	\$837,852
Voluntown	\$2,117,243	\$2,022,200	\$1,927,172	\$2,117,243	\$2,117,243	-\$95,043	-\$190,071	\$0	\$0
Wallingford	\$20,855,570	\$21,008,971	\$21,162,372	\$21,067,312	\$21,279,054	\$153,401	\$306,802	\$211,742	\$423,484
Warren	\$71,047	\$91,563	\$112,080	\$91,563	\$112,080	\$20,516	\$41,033	\$20,516	\$41,033
Washington	\$137,390	\$184,905	\$232,420	\$184,905	\$232,420	\$47,515	\$95,030	\$47,515	\$95,030
Waterbury	\$164,108,305	\$170,363,118	\$176,617,931	\$171,892,005	\$179,675,705	\$6,254,813	\$12,509,626	\$7,783,700	\$15,567,400
Waterford	\$326,444	\$325,234	\$324,024	\$326,444	\$326,444	-\$1,210	-\$2,420	\$0	\$0
Watertown	\$12,005,854	\$12,392,324	\$12,778,795	\$12,404,357	\$12,802,861	\$386,470	\$772,941	\$398,503	\$797,007
West Hartford	\$22,253,668	\$23,028,564	\$23,803,461	\$23,037,333	\$23,820,999	\$774,896	\$1,549,793	\$783,665	\$1,567,331
West Haven	\$51,298,680	\$52,745,712	\$54,192,744	\$52,743,035	\$54,187,390	\$1,447,032	\$2,894,064	\$1,444,355	\$2,888,710
Westbrook	\$77,977	\$78,449	\$78,921	\$78,509	\$79,042	\$472	\$944	\$532	\$1,065

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		FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2024	FY 2025
Weston	\$263,792	\$261,831	\$259,871	\$263,792	\$263,792	-\$1,961	-\$3,921	\$0	\$0
Westport	\$538,009	\$553,830	\$569,651	\$554,220	\$570,431	\$15,821	\$31,642	\$16,211	\$32,422
Wethersfield	\$12,274,498	\$13,195,642	\$14,116,786	\$13,195,442	\$14,116,386	\$921,144	\$1,842,288	\$920,944	\$1,841,888
Willington	\$3,456,594	\$3,399,222	\$3,341,858	\$3,456,594	\$3,456,594	-\$57,372	-\$114,736	\$0	\$0
Wilton	\$461,796	\$458,627	\$455,459	\$461,796	\$461,796	-\$3,169	-\$6,337	\$0	\$0
Winchester*	\$8,024,957	\$8,024,957	\$8,024,957	\$8,024,957	\$8,024,957	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Windham	\$30,755,721	\$31,864,641	\$32,973,562	\$31,866,205	\$32,976,689	\$1,108,920	\$2,217,841	\$1,110,484	\$2,220,968
Windsor*	\$12,130,392	\$12,130,392	\$12,130,392	\$12,130,392	\$12,130,392	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Windsor Locks*	\$5,225,299	\$5,225,299	\$5,225,299	\$5,225,299	\$5,225,299	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Wolcott	\$12,387,171	\$12,138,870	\$11,890,606	\$12,387,171	\$12,387,171	-\$248,301	-\$496,565	\$0	\$0
Woodbridge	\$494,503	\$516,322	\$538,141	\$516,506	\$538,509	\$21,819	\$43,638	\$22,003	\$44,006
Woodbury	\$2,186,586	\$2,476,242	\$2,765,899	\$2,476,135	\$2,765,685	\$289,656	\$579,313	\$289,549	\$579,099
Woodstock	\$4,990,532	\$4,876,707	\$4,762,900	\$4,990,532	\$4,990,532	-\$113,825	-\$227,632	\$0	\$0

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