

Murphy Commits to Helping Fairfield Hills in Federal Funding Process

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NEWTOWN, CT - Today, Congressman Chris Murphy (CT-5) visited the Fairfield Hills campus in Newtown and committed to assisting the town with their \$2.1 million federal grant application for the site. The town is requesting this funding from the Department of Commerce's Economic Development Administration (EDA) for road infrastructure and utility installation in their effort to redevelop the former hospital site for public and commercial use.

"Newtown has made great progress in redeveloping this site, and it has the potential to be a fantastic economic development engine for the town. A federal grant would go a long way in helping them achieve their goals," said Murphy.

Murphy will follow up with Senator Dodd and Senator Lieberman to request their assistance with Newtown's grant application.

Murphy cautioned that EDA grants are difficult to secure; last year, approximately 700 EDA grants were awarded nationwide.

"I've committed to helping the town because no one will say yes unless you ask," said Murphy.

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