



## **Community Impact Report** **October 2017**

**Community Planning Council** – The September meeting featured a presentation on Greenwich as an Age- and Dementia- Friendly Community by the Executive Directors of River House and the Greenwich Commission on Aging and a Greenwich Hospital geriatrician. To further its goal this year to more broadly disseminate to the public the information presented at the CPC on unmet human service needs in Greenwich, the CPC prepared a one page summary of the September presentation (see attachment). The GUW posted this summary to its website and on social media and asked CPC members to distribute it through their networks and post it to social media. The CPC October meeting will feature a presentation on the YWCA Domestic Abuse Services.

**HSTS/CA** – With the transition from Community Answers to HSTS we have asked all volunteers if they would like to volunteer in another capacity with the organization. To date, we have one volunteer who is assisting with administrative tasks three hours a week that has freed some staff up to concentrate on other projects.

**Reading Champions** – The 2017 Reading Champions Program was launched with a liaison meeting held on September 15<sup>th</sup>. Parkway School is the new addition this year. We are in all Greenwich Public Schools now. We maintain a presence in three after-school programs: BANC, BGCG, and YWCA. Marie Wardell and Betsy Coons trained 12 tutors this week. Several tutors still need to be trained and we will do that at their sites. Program launches will take place starting the week of October 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**GJrUW** – GJrUW hosted two meetings in the month of September. Meetings are held on Mondays at 6:30 pm at the Greenwich United Way office. To further their understanding of how Greenwich United Way supports the community at large, the teens attended the Annual Campaign Kickoff where they had the opportunity to meet the Board of Directors. Currently, the GJrUW is developing its year-long service project while recruiting new members from the middle and high schools.

**Youth Planning Council** – The Youth Planning Council has been transitioned to the Town of Greenwich Department of Human Services. The GUW CEO will continue to attend the Youth Services Advisory Board meetings.

**Other** – On October 5<sup>th</sup>, Greenwich NFP Services Providers CEO Roundtable hosted its first meeting of the 2017-18 year.

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