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CT REALTORS® Foundation Announces Recipient of Connecticut Hometown Heroes Grant

Presented to the Cornerstone Foundation in memory of past Deputy Director

The CT REALTORS® Foundation announces the award of a Hometown Heroes Grant to the Cornerstone Foundation in memory of Bryan Flint, Sr. The \$10,000 grant will be used toward transitional housing programs to help homeless individuals secure more permanent housing.

Bryan Flint, Sr. was the Deputy Director of the Cornerstone Foundation at the time of his death in a tragic car accident in 2023. Cornerstone operates vital initiatives in the greater Hartford/Vernon-Rockville areas including a community kitchen, three shelters, a food pantry, a clothing bank, and a youth/outreach center. Their mission is to keep people safe, fed, housed and clothed. Bryan was dedicated to providing those who are most vulnerable with the services they needed, while also striving to provide a path out of homelessness.

CT REALTORS® Foundation Chair Dan Keune says "Bryan was an extraordinary advocate for the homeless. It's one thing to say someone loves their community and cares about people but he committed his life to it. He got up every day to make a difference. Bryan truly is a hometown hero."

"Through the CT REALTORS® Foundation, it is an honor to present this grant in memory of an individual who had such an impact on his community," says Carl Lantz, CT REALTORS® 2024 President. "CT REALTORS® are in every municipality in the state and strive to make our neighborhoods a great place to live and work."

The CT REALTORS® Foundation launched the Connecticut REALTORS® Hometown Heroes grant program in 2022 to provide housing-related assistance to or in honor of individuals in Connecticut who exemplify service to their local communities. The first grants were awarded to a Bristol police officer who was injured and to the families of two Bristol police officers who died in the line of duty.

The mission of the CT REALTORS® Foundation is to be good neighbors to our members, our communities and the world. To show that CT REALTORS® Care. The Foundation's charitable efforts and grant programs include homeless prevention and transitional assistance, disaster relief, addressing aspects of opioid use disorder including removing the stigma, pet rescue and college scholarships.

The Connecticut Association of REALTORS® Foundation is a 501(c)3 non-profit, established in 2009. Learn more at ctrealtors-care.org.