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### **The Essex Foundation Provides Support For Essex Place Furnishings** *Underwrites cost of common area furniture in newly constructed senior housing.*

Essex, CT –Two weeks before the grand opening of Essex Place, a 22-unit, affordable senior rental housing complex developed by Essex Elderly & Affordable Housing, Inc. and the Women’s Institute of Housing & Economic Development, The Essex Foundation was called upon to help cover the cost of furniture for the common area spaces. Last minute adjustments to the overall project budget left no available resources for completing the already constructed community room, game room, office, and kitchen. After a thoughtful presentation by Janice Atkeson and Yolanda Lowe, both representing Essex Elderly & Affordable Housing, Inc., members of The Essex Foundation Board of Directors approved the request for financial assistance.

Funds from The Essex Foundation were used to cover the cost of upholstered furniture, dining tables, game tables, occasional tables, stacking chairs, office furniture, and miscellaneous kitchen items. Essex Place is located at 26 Main Street in the Centerbrook section of Essex, adjacent to the Essex Court



senior apartments. The common areas are accessible to all residents of Essex Place and Essex Court, and will also be used for general meetings and as a designated emergency shelter. Community members who would like to donate to the project can send a check made out to The Essex Foundation, PO Box 64, Essex, CT 06426, indicating that it is for the Essex Place community room.

**CAUGHT ON CAMERA:** *Bruce Glowac, President of The Essex Foundation, Inc. presented a check to Janice Atkeson, President of Essex Elderly and Affordable Housing, Inc., outside of Essex Place, the newly constructed affordable senior housing complex on Main Street in Centerbrook.*