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The Essex Foundation Aids First Congregational's Meal Outreach Program

\$1,000 Grant Awarded to Help Meet Growing Community Need

Essex, CT – The Essex Foundation Board of Directors has awarded a \$1000 grant to the Outreach and Justice Committee of the First Congregational Church in Essex. The funds will support the group's community mission project that supplies special meals to area residents who struggle to feed themselves. The project, which is dependent on donations from congregants and the greater community, provides Thanksgiving and mid-winter meals to families identified by the Tri-Town schools, as well as a social singalong or gift for Essex Court and Essex

Place residents. Over 40 meals were provided last year, compared to 25 in prior years.



"As food costs continue to rise so do the number of people experiencing food insecurity," commented Bruce Glowac, President of The Essex Foundation, "We are happy to support this important community mission and help our neighbors in need."

The Essex Foundation, Inc. is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to making a difference in the lives of Essex residents by providing funding

for needs not met by other organizations or sources. The Foundation relies on donations from individuals, businesses, and other community groups to fund special community projects and needs that benefit Essex residents.

Pictured Above: The Essex Foundation Treasurer Cheryl Harger (front left) presents a \$1000 check to members of the Outreach and Justice Committee and Reverend David Stambaugh of First Congregational Church in Essex to help fund the group's meal-assistance mission project.