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October 2025

### From the Mayor

#### **Dear City of Stamford Employees,**

Last month, we celebrated the completion of renovations at Cove Island Marina, a milestone for Stamford's waterfront. The project included dredging, new pilings, and improved dock slips—major upgrades that strengthen this key community space. Additional utility work will wrap up this fall, and sea wall repairs are scheduled for next year. I want to thank our dedicated city staff and the Stamford Harbor Management Commission for their leadership in preserving this local gem.



We also gathered for our fall nonprofit roundtable, bringing together community organizations to share updates, discuss local priorities, and prepare for potential impacts from the federal budget process. The session also previewed the FY2026–2027 city budget cycle. Our administration remains committed to supporting the essential work these nonprofits do for Stamford residents every day.



I had a wonderful time visiting Rippowam Middle School with Representative Himes, where we saw firsthand how the Full Service Community Schools program is helping to boost attendance and improve the school environment at both Rippowam and Dolan. My thanks go to Stamford Cradle to Career, and to all the educators, students, and families who are making this initiative a success!



Lastly, construction has begun on the Scalzi Park Tennis Court Reconstruction Project, a full-scale modernization of one of our city’s most popular recreation sites. The improvements will include:

- Removal of existing courts and installation of new drainage
- Ten new post-tensioned tennis courts built to USTA standards
- Six new pickleball courts meeting national specifications
- Upgraded fencing, lighting systems, and digital controls
- New bleachers, landscaping, and storage facilities

This investment continues our commitment to enhancing Stamford’s parks and recreation spaces for all residents.

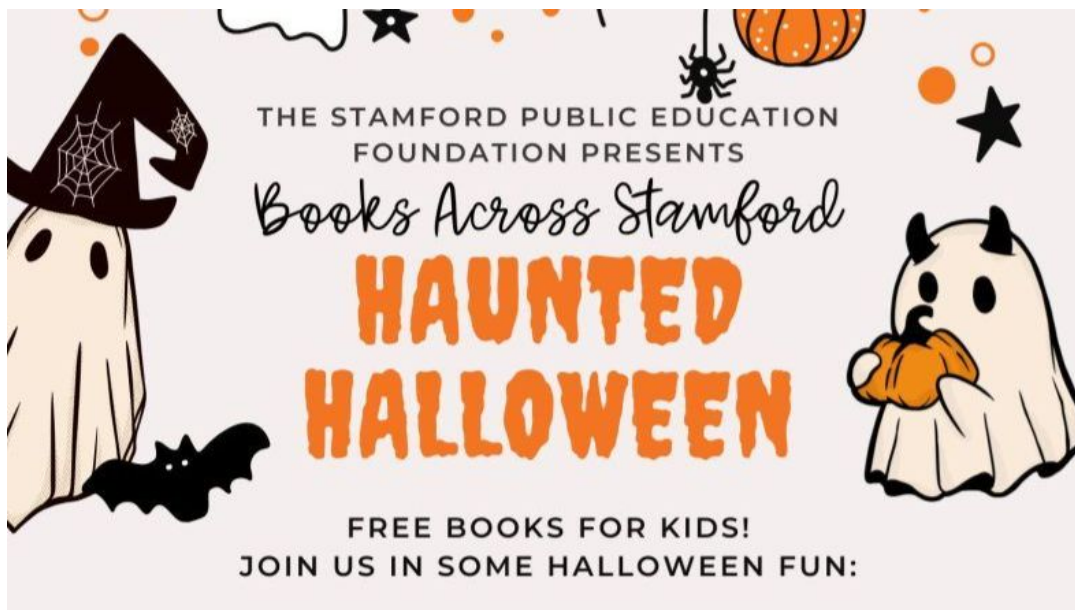
I’m grateful for everything you do to keep Stamford thriving. Together, we’re building a safer, stronger, and more connected community.

**Caroline Simmons**

Mayor



## Upcoming Events



### **SPEF Haunted Halloween Book Giveaway**

**Date:** Saturday, November 1

**Time:** 1:00 - 4:00 PM

**Location:** Ferguson Library, Main Branch

Free Books FOR kids! Join US in SOME Halloween fun: Treats, crafts, special guest readers and more!

**Books Across Stamford** is an engaging literacy program focused on motivating children to read by distributing new, free books and literacy resources to economically disadvantaged children and families. Each year, SPEF aims to distribute at least 5,000 books throughout Stamford to help children, Pre-K through fifth grade, build home libraries.



**2025 Annual Employee Health & Wellness Fair**

**Date:** Wednesday, November 5  
**Time:** 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM  
**Location:** Government Center, 10th Floor

Join us for a day focused on your health and well-being!

Featured vendors:  
Anthem, AAA Dental, Empower, Eyemed, Delta Dental, Colonial Life, MediWeight, Flu Shots by Stamford Health & Human Services, and MORE!

Light food, wellness giveaways, and raffle prizes! Stop by to connect with vendors and learn about your benefits.



## Employee Corner

### You Say Goodbye, I Say Hello

Welcoming new employees and congratulating promoted employees

Shivani Shrotriya, Accounting Manager, Controller's Office

Jefferson Romero\*, Permit Clerk – Bldg. Dept, Building Dept

Luke Bittenwieser\*, Transportation Planner, Transportation Planning & Engineering

Larry Jackson, Laborer, Solid Waste

*\*promotional*

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### The Government Center Cafe is Open!



Place your orders online here: [Government Center Cafe](#)

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### Employee-Owned Businesses

*Are you a City of Stamford employee who owns a local business? We want to find ways to support you! Please fill out this form and let us know more. Click [HERE](#) and select "Business Referral" in the choices.*

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## City of Stamford Resource Center

### **New Supplier Working Group**

The City of Stamford is pleased to announce the formation of the **Supplier Working Group**, a dedicated team responsible for overseeing the evaluation, selection, and management of technology vendors providing software, hardware, and technology services to the City. The Supplier Working Group will help ensure all vendor engagements align with the City's operational needs, legal requirements, procurement policies, and technology standards.

#### **Important Supplier Submission Information**

- **Vendors must be submitted for consideration at least 15 days in advance** to allow for proper review and agenda placement.
- For more information, questions, or to submit a supplier for review, please contact **Cynthia Lucero** at [chernandez@stamfordct.gov](mailto:chernandez@stamfordct.gov).

This initiative reflects our commitment to transparency, strategic vendor partnerships, and the delivery of high-quality technology solutions for the City of Stamford.

### **Walk-in Permitting Center**

Walk-in permitting has been expanded! It will occur every Wednesday from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. on the 7th floor of the Stamford Government Center, 888 Washington Blvd. For more information, click [here](#).

### **The Stamford Veterans Resource Center**

*A place for veterans and their families to be empowered, directed, and connected to available resources and services.*

**When:** Every Tuesday and Thursday from 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

**Where:** Old Town Hall, 2nd Floor (175 Atlantic Street)

If you have any questions, please call 203-274-7713 or email [VeteransResourceCenter@StamfordCT.gov](mailto:VeteransResourceCenter@StamfordCT.gov)



## Mayor's Literacy Initiative

in collaboration with Stamford Public Schools' Birth to 5 Committee

### Mayor's Literacy Initiative - Literacy Hub

The Mayor's Literacy Initiative was launched in 2023 and aims to boost awareness about the importance of literacy and spread the love of reading throughout the community. In collaboration with Stamford Public Schools' Birth to Five committee, Ferguson Library, and Stamford Cradle to Career's Early Grade Reading Community Action Network, Mayor Caroline Simmons' goal is to assist children to read at grade level by third grade.

Check out the [Literacy Hub](#) for more resources and tips on promoting literacy at home and beyond.



## Construction Corner

## Government Center Updates

The 10th Floor Art Gallery is completed, and artwork is on display!

The 4th Floor Cafeteria has also been renovated - stop by to enjoy your lunch or place and order from the Government Center Cafe.

TVs have been installed on each floor. Employees may submit flyers to be displayed, as paper flyers are no longer permitted in the Government Center common areas.

Guidelines are located here:

<https://www.stamfordct.gov/government/mayor-s-office/government-center-tv-flyer-guidelines>



## Celebrations This Month

### October Holidays and Observances

#### Monthly Celebrations

- ADHD Awareness Month
- Blindness Awareness Month
- Breast Cancer Awareness Month
- Down Syndrome Awareness Month
- Filipino American History Month
- Global Diversity Awareness Month
- Health Literacy Month
- Hispanic Heritage Month (Sept. 15 through Oct. 15)

The Stamford Bulletin is an internal, city-wide distributed newsletter designed to keep our employees in the loop with relevant information, events, and resources, fostering inclusivity and boosting morale. If we need to correct something, please let us know. Better yet, feel free to suggest holidays and celebrations you'd like to see featured in upcoming issues!

Please use [this form](#) to convey your suggestions,

remarks, and feedback. We are eager to hear from you!

- Italian American Heritage Month
- National Bullying Prevention Month
- National Domestic Violence Awareness Month
- National Indigenous Peoples Month
- Polish American Heritage Month

**Weekly / Multi-Day Celebrations:**

- Anti-Poverty Week (Oct. 12 to Oct. 18)
- Baby Loss Awareness Week (Oct. 9 to Oct. 15)
- National Adoption Week (Oct. 21 to Oct. 26)
- National Health Education Week (Oct. 20 to Oct. 24)
- National School Bus Safety Week (Oct. 20 to Oct. 24)

**Important Days:**

- October 1 - Yom Kippur Begins
  - October 5 - World Teachers' Day
  - October 6 - World Cerebral Palsy Day
  - October 10 - Inclusion Day, World Mental Health Day, World Homeless Day
  - October 12 - Clergy Appreciation Day, Hispanic Day
  - October 13 - Breast Cancer Awareness Day, Indigenous Peoples Day, Columbus Day
  - October 18 - World Menopause Day
  - October 20 - Diwali
  - October 27 - Navy Day
  - October 31 - Halloween
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