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## Hartford Foundation Awards Grants to Operation Fuel

**Hartford, Conn.** -- The Hartford Foundation for Public Giving (HFPG) has awarded a total of \$71,839 in grants to Operation Fuel for energy assistance and a grant of \$5,000 for general operating expenses.

The following grants were awarded for energy assistance: \$64,339 through grants from the Beatrice Fox Auerbach Foundation Fund; \$5,000 through the Vernon D. and Florence E. Roosa Family Foundation Memorial Fund and \$2,500 from the Aaron Marks Foundation Fund. Operation Fuel also received a grant of \$5,000 for general operating support through the Budd Family Fund.

Now in its 40<sup>th</sup> year, Operation Fuel is a statewide nonprofit program that provides emergency energy assistance year-round to lower-income working families and individuals, the elderly, and disabled individuals who are in financial crisis. Individuals who need energy assistance should call 211. For more information on Operation Fuel or to make a donation, go to www.operationfuel.org.

The Hartford Foundation for Public Giving is the community foundation for Hartford and 28 surrounding communities. In 2015, the Foundation celebrated 90 years of grant making in the Greater Hartford region, made possible by the gifts of generous individuals, families, and organizations. It has awarded grants of more than \$620 million since its founding in 1925. For more information about the Hartford Foundation for Public Giving, visit www.hfpg.org or call 860-548-1888.