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### **REP. SANCHEZ, NEW BRITAIN LAWMAKERS WELCOME COLUMBUS COMMONS FUNDING**

**State Representative Bobby Sanchez** (D-New Britain), together with Democratic members of the New Britain legislative delegation, welcomed approval of funds for the Columbus Commons project to assist with the first phase of its development.

The Connecticut State Bond Commission today approved a \$6 million loan to the project stakeholders that will help with the construction of 80 new units of rental housing with 64 income-restricted affordable units.

Last year lawmakers [announced](#) the start of the project's construction that in addition will include commercial space for retail, office space and restaurants.

**Rep. Sanchez** said, "I am pleased to see this development, located in my district, moving forward at a steady pace. "Without a doubt, once completed, Columbus Commons will bring great benefits not just to residents, but an overall economic boost to the entire city. I am thankful to our delegation for our continued collective work in making things happen for New Britain and ensuring that all our districts are taken care of."

"I am grateful to the Governor and members of the Bond Commission for approving a loan to create affordable housing for hardworking families in New Britain," said **Rep. Peter Tercyak**. "I expect the mixed-use Columbus Commons project with its residential, commercial and retail facilities to be an economic engine for the city thanks to its prime location on the edge of downtown and close proximity to CTfastrak."

"As we move forward with efforts to revitalize our downtown, it is important that we continue to invest in quality housing. The State Bond Commission's approval of this funding is a critical piece in allowing this project to become the centerpiece of our city's renaissance," said **State Rep. Rick Lopes**.

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