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DANBURY'S DEMOCRATIC STATE DELEGATION, MAYOR ALVES SECURE SIGNIFICANT INCREASE IN AID TO DANBURY IN CT BUDGET

Danbury is set to receive an additional \$47.3 million through a combination of increases in Municipal Grants-in-Aid, Town Road Aid, PILOT funding, Education Cost Sharing, Special Education funding, and Supplemental Revenue Sharing Grant through state's biennial spending plan

DANBURY - Danbury's Democratic state delegation of **state Reps. Farley Santos, Bob Godfrey, Raghieb Allie-Brennan and Ken Gucker** and state **Sen. Julie Kushner**, in partnership with **Danbury Mayor Roberto Alves**, laud the millions of dollars of funding coming to the city in the biennial Connecticut budget to support municipal needs.

Specifically, the delegation, working hand-in-hand with Mayor Alves and other leaders in the House and Senate, worked tirelessly to secure an additional \$23.66 million in aid for FY 2026 and another \$23.66 million for 2027 for a total increase of \$47.3 million.

This historic state funding coming to the city, on top of the unprecedented funding we brought back to Danbury last year. That's direct support Danbury had never seen before which further reaffirms the united partnership and advocacy led by Mayor Alves and the city's Democratic legislative delegation.

"That's more than \$250 million in Education funding, grants, bonding, and reimbursements we've delivered for Danbury in the last 3 years," said **Rep. Santos**, noting his devotion to the city in which he grew up. "From the moment I took the oath of office, I made a promise to the people of Danbury: to fight for the resources our city deserves and for too long was denied. I'm proud to say I've kept that promise. This is real, meaningful, transformational investment in our community. I'm just getting started. I'll never stop fighting for the city I love."

"The Danbury delegation has consistently brought home more money year after year, and this year is no different," said **Rep. Godfrey**. "It's the best part, the favorite part of my job. I want to give our Mayor Roberto Alves a shout out for his frequent visits and advocacy for our hometown; it puts extra wind in our sails."

"This is a significant and much-needed increase in funding for Danbury," **Rep. Allie-Brennan** said. "I'm proud to have worked alongside the mayor and his team to help secure these resources, which will support our schools, ease pressure on local taxpayers, and strengthen city services. It's a big win for our community."

"Since returning to the House, I've made it my mission to champion funding and policies that truly reflect the needs of Danbury," said **Rep. Gucker**. "I'm thrilled that our leadership and Governor Lamont have listened to the consistent advocacy from both our Democratic State Delegation and Mayor Alves on behalf of our city. The funding we've secured will bring meaningful benefits to every resident of Danbury, and I'm proud that we're delivering investments at a level our city has never seen before. This moment highlights the importance of having a mayor who shows up, fights for his city, and a unified team of Danbury legislators who work together and get results that matter."

"Once again, Danbury's Democratic legislative delegation has come through for the people of Danbury with more state funding than ever before – including a whopping \$47.3 million more in total town aid over the next two years compared to the last budget," said **Sen. Kushner**. "I'm also proud we secured \$1 million for the Regional Hospice in Danbury for pediatric hospice care, and funds for a new roof and parking lot at Danbury Youth Services. Our delegation works very well with Mayor Alves, and together we're making a difference for the people of Danbury."

"\$47.3 million increase is unprecedented for Danbury and this doesn't happen by accident," said **Mayor Alves**. "We're delivering for Danbury. Our Democratic State Delegation is delivering for Danbury. This support shows the strong collaboration we've created with our state leaders who recognize that there are great things ahead for our city."

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