



IT'S A SIMPLE EQUATION...

THE COMMUNITY INVESTMENT ACT  
= JOBS

*You know that CIA funds are used for land preservation, historic preservation, and affordable housing...*

**...but you may NOT know that:**

- 2,000 jobs were created in the affordable housing and historic preservation sectors due to CIA projects, including jobs for construction workers, architects, engineers, historic consultants, plumbers, electricians, masons, and jobs in the tourism industry
- The \$873 million outdoor recreation industry and the \$3.5 billion dollar agricultural industry, which together generate 28,000 jobs, is strengthened by CIA investments in local farm businesses and land protection
- 157 dairy farm businesses were saved with CIA support.

The Community Investment Act has exceeded all expectations by stimulating a distinct economic sector - the Community Investment Sector. **200% in matching funds from private, federal, and local sources have been raised to match the state's CIA dollars.**

A portion of every CIA dollar collected has stayed in the local community for capital investment. The rest has provided critical funding for **CIA projects in nearly every town and city in the state.**

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**\$40  
Fee**

**\$1 remains with Town Clerk**

**\$3 for municipal capital projects**

**\$10 for dairy support**

**The remaining \$26**

**25% to Farmland Preservation**

**25% to Open Space Conservation**

**25% to Affordable Housing**

**25% to Historic Preservation**

**FEE BREAKDOWN →**

**How has the Community Investment Act helped your community?**

**ESSEX**

**Connecticut River Foundation at Steamboat Dock  
State Historic Preservation Office  
Historic Restoration Fund Grant  
\$73,995**

**Connecticut Trust for Historic Preservation  
Technical Assistance Grant  
\$18,500**

**Town of Essex  
State Historic Preservation Society  
Survey & Planning Grant  
\$20,000  
CT Main Street  
\$10,000**

**River COG Regional Agriculture Council  
Department of Agriculture  
Viability Grant  
\$42,000**

**Ivoryton Village Farmers Market  
Department of Agriculture  
Viability Grant  
\$2,999**

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