

Area Officials Show Leadership on Youth Employment

Workforce Alliance leads State Representative Chris Donovan and Mayor Mark Benigni on a tour of Miller Memorial Community, a worksite that hires youth in the summer thanks to state funding. Legislators are to be commended for continuing to vote for funding of youth employment programs, including summer jobs.



Miller Memorial Community hired 9 young people through the program. Mayor Benigni and Representative Donovan are seen speaking with Jenny Martinez, summer worker and student at Platt High. At right, Denise Keating, Manager of the Youth Services Division, and Jim Ieronimo, Executive Director of United Way, and the Workforce Alliance's Youth Council Chairman.

“Four thousand youth from 48 municipalities directly benefited from the Chris Donovan’s and the Legislature’s work.” said William Villano, Executive Director of Workforce Alliance, the South Central Connecticut regional board. “The Legislature’s actions have made this a memorable and profitable summer for thousands of young people throughout the state.”