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“How long has the New England News Collaborative been in existence?” I was recently asked. The NENC got its start eight years ago, growing into a consortium of 10 public media stations stretching from Maine to Connecticut, working together to share regional news and best practices. Collaboration and trust are essential for the NENC’s success, and as the lead station of the collaborative, Connecticut Public brings those values to the forefront in service to communities.

We’re able to create impactful content because we collaborate as a team every day, striving to earn your trust through the quality and fairness of our local journalism. We support each other, exchange ideas and rise up to meet these challenging times with dedication to our public media mission.

As CT Public’s new Chief Content Officer, I could not be prouder of my colleagues across the organization. And the truth is: you, too, are an integral part of our team. You make everything we do possible. Our loyal donors, members, grantors, underwriters, listeners and viewers have our deepest gratitude for your belief in our mission to inform, educate and inspire people across Connecticut. Those of you who give – and go above and beyond in your support – reaffirm our deep commitment to be a trusted source of information and entertainment, from our award-winning talk shows, podcasts and videos to the daily news programming so many of us rely on.

With heartfelt thanks, I look forward to being your partner in our public media journey.

Vanessa de la Torre
Chief Content Officer

Taken at a recent Studio Tour, Connecticut Public leadership donors enjoy benefits such as learning more about the creation and production of the talk show Where We Live; left to right – Tess Terrible, WWL Producer; Cat Shen, WWL Host; Catie Talarski, Senior Director of Storytelling and Radio Programming; Marguerite Purnell, Katherine Freygang, Tom Dzialo

THURSDAY, JUNE 27
8 P.M. ON CPTV

Fighting for Home: How Housing Policy Keeps Connecticut Segregated

Watch the Premiere!

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The legacy of exclusionary zoning and redlining imposed a painful divide we see today in our state’s current housing crisis. Our towns and cities are segregated by race and class because of systemic barriers that have persisted over time. Witness the struggle and determination of those fighting for change.
The Accountability Project

Since early 2021, Connecticut Public’s commitment to investigative journalism has been on full display. **The Accountability Project** has produced award-winning investigative reports, high impact stories, in-depth documentaries and one-of-a-kind investigative podcast series.

With a dedicated team of investigative reporters and data experts, Connecticut Public has provided in-depth, accurate, and well-sourced stories on topics such as education, housing, state and local government, public health, the economy, juvenile justice, incarceration practices, the environment, business and more. This was made possible by the early support and funding of a number of Connecticut Public friends and contributors. **We gratefully acknowledge their support and recognize the important role they played in expanding investigative reporting in service to Connecticut residents and communities:**

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If you're interested in learning more about these and other programs and initiatives at Connecticut Public, contact **Chief Development Officer**, Deidre Tavera at dtavera@ctpublic.org or 860.275.7275. If you would like to support us now, scan the QR code or click here to make a gift online today.
Connecticut Public has been the lead station for the New England News Collaborative (NENC) since 2016. Formed by a grant from the Corporation for Public Broadcasting (CPB), with the newest addition of Rhode Island Public Radio, it is now a 10-station consortium of public media newsrooms throughout New England.

**Powered by grants, leadership gifts and sponsors, we sincerely thank the current funders of this important collaborative:**

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**Fairfield County Advisory Committee Pledge Challenge**

In 2022, Connecticut Public began deepening our coverage of Fairfield County and expanding relationships with the communities in that region. We established a Fairfield County news team, a new partnership with Fairfield University and collaborated with local organizations to bring new content related events and programming to Southwest Connecticut.

A natural outcome of greater activity and engagement led to the formation of the Fairfield County Advisory Committee, an active and enthusiastic group of 50 volunteers from across Fairfield County interested in opening doors and raising awareness for Connecticut Public.

For the second year in a row, a subset of that Advisory Committee is pooling their annual gifts to create a Match Challenge Fund for our June pledge drives in support of CPTV and CT Public Radio. The fund is nearly $20,000 and climbing!

We are deeply grateful to the following Advisory Committee members for their support and dedication to growing Connecticut Public membership by giving to the challenge fund this year:

- Nick Donofrio
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INspired video

Have you seen some of Connecticut Public’s latest video promos and trailers highlighting the programs you love to watch and the projects and initiatives we’ve introduced to Connecticut?

Where Art Thou, Season 3, hosted by Ray Hardman, is Connecticut Public’s celebration of the artists and cultural cornerstones unique to our state. This year, stops include the Farmington Valley, Fairfield County, Western and Northeast Connecticut, Hartford, and towns along the lower Connecticut River.

Somos Connecticut demonstrates Connecticut Public’s commitment to elevating the stories of, and connecting with, our Latino communities. Watch and learn how we are expanding our reporting, programming and engagement opportunities locally and abroad.

The Accountability Project is Connecticut Public’s investigative journalism unit, dedicated to producing high-quality, high-impact, meticulously reported and produced stories on issues, people and news events affecting Connecticut. It’s our way of restoring trust and accountability in our state.

The Civility Initiative reflects Connecticut Public’s commitment to advancing civility through journalism, storytelling and special programs. We amplify residents’ stories, convene people around important topics and offer training opportunities to build skills for challenging conversations.

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A member of the Institutional Advancement team would be delighted to talk with you or respond to an e-mail about supporting Connecticut Public.

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