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Farmington Legislators Welcome \$500,000 State Grant for Farmington Community Project

Today, state **Senator Rick Lopes**, state **Senator Derek Slap**, and state **Representative Mike Demicco**, members of the Farmington legislative delegation, welcomed the awarding of a \$500,000 state grant for Farmington through the Small Town Economic Assistance Program (STEAP). The substantial grant will support the installation of a splash pad and pickleball court at the Westwoods recreation complex. It will be matched by \$485,000 from the town.

“My thanks to Governor Lamont for his approval of this tremendous grant for the Farmington community. This funding partnership between the state and local levels advances a project that will grow outdoor recreational activities for kids and families,” said **Sen. Lopes**.

“I’m grateful to Governor Lamont in making these approvals, which will provide new recreational benefits for all of Farmington,” said **Sen. Slap**. “What’s even better is this grant will be supported with town funding, making this a partnership between local and state officials for the good of all residents and maximizing use of taxpayer dollars.”

“This substantial grant will assist the Town of Farmington in transforming the Westwoods Drive complex into a multi-generational recreational facility,” said **Rep. Demicco**. “It will enhance our quality of life by providing expanded athletic, social and recreational opportunities. My thanks to Governor Lamont and the Office of Policy and Management.”

STEAP is a state program dedicated to providing grants to Connecticut’s small towns to support projects that will benefit economic development, community conservation, and quality-of-life. Towns seeking to participate in the program were required to submit applications before a mid-August 2022 deadline. The recipient towns will soon receive official award notification and instructions from the state’s Office of Policy and Management.

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