Investing in Action, Fueling Change.

WE ARE CONECT:
CONGREGATIONS ORGANIZED FOR A NEW CONNECTICUT

CONECT is a collective of churches, synagogues, mosques, temples, and civic organizations from New Haven and Fairfield Counties – representing more than 30,000 people from different races, faith backgrounds and values-aligned organizations, who are living in both cities and suburbs – that have joined together to take action on social, racial, and economic justice issues of common concern.

CONECT has made an impact on issues as varied as criminal legal reform, health insurance rates, police reform, immigrant rights, and more.

BRIDGING DIVIDES
CONECT’s members and leaders are Black, white, Latino, and Asian; Catholic, Protestant, Jewish, Muslim, Sikh, Quaker, and Unitarian; urban and suburban; poor, working poor, and middle class; native-born and immigrant.

DEVELOPING LEADERS
CONECT believes in ability of all people to act and lead social change. We offer engaging, high-quality organizing and leadership training.

BUILDING POWER
CONECT is fueled by people power. We have 37 member institutions and continue to grow as a voice for justice, change, and the common good.

Have questions? Looking to get involved? Email Matt McDermott at matt@weconect.org!
Now entering our 12th year, CONECT continues to bring leaders and organizations together to make important social change. During the COVID pandemic, economic recession, and national movement for racial justice, our organizing and collective action work are more important than ever.

Learn more about our recent wins below and online at weconect.org.

**Clean Slate CT**

On June 10, 2021, after three years of consistent organizing and pressure, Connecticut's Clean Slate bill was signed into law.

Clean Slate allows for the erasure of criminal records of people who remain free of the criminal legal system for an extended period.

CONECT continues to fight for the full implementation of Clean Slate, which will help more than 200,000 people.

**REaL Data**

On June 16, 2021 a bill including an amendment requiring the tracking of REaL (Race, Ethnicity, and Language) data, was signed into law.

Now, healthcare providers are required to track REaL data to identify trends and address racial disparities in healthcare outcomes.

This will give us the power to build a more equitable and effective healthcare system.

**Eid al-Fitr**

CONECT recently won the inclusion of Eid al-Fitr (the Muslim holiday marking the end of Ramadan) on the Trumbull school calendar.

Public school students in Trumbull will get a day off for Eid al-Fitr starting in 2025.

CONECT worked with our Muslim leaders and allies of all faiths previously to add Eid al-Fitr on school calendars in Bridgeport and Fairfield.

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