



October 4, 2023

The Honorable Lincoln A. Cooper
First Selectman, Town of Sterling
1183 Plainfield Pike
P.O. Box 157
Oneco, CT 06373

Dear First Selectman Cooper:

Attached is the letter from the Commissioner of the Department of Economic and Community Development (DECD) to the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management (OPM) regarding the list of municipalities designated as "distressed", pursuant to Section 32-9J of the Connecticut General Statutes. Your community has been designated as a distressed municipality based upon the criteria defined in the above-mentioned statute.

Please feel free to contact Nandika Prakash at Nandika.Prakash@ct.gov if you have any questions regarding this designation.

Sincerely,

Kara Sene

Kara Sene
Community Development Assistant Administrator

Enclosure

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The Honorable Jeffrey Beckham
Secretary
Office of Policy and Management
410 Capitol Avenue
Hartford, CT 06106

Dear Secretary Beckham:

Pursuant to Section 32-9j of the Connecticut General Statutes, I am providing you with the 2023 Connecticut Distressed Municipalities list. The Department of Economic and Community Development (DECD) has designated the following twenty-five communities as “distressed”:

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| Ansonia | Bridgeport | Chaplin | Derby | East Hartford |
| East Haven | Griswold | Hartford | Lisbon | Mansfield |
| Meriden | Montville | New Britain | New London | Norwich |
| Plymouth | Putnam | Sprague | Sterling | Torrington |
| Voluntown | Waterbury | West Haven | Winchester | Windham |

The above municipalities received this designation based upon their ranking in the areas of per capita income, change in per capita income, the percentage of poverty in the population, the change in population between 2010 and 2020, the change in employment between 2012 and 2022, the unemployment rate, the percentage of housing stock built before 1939, the percent of adults age 25 and older with a high school degree or higher and the adjusted equalized net grand list per capita.

The municipalities mentioned above will be provided with a copy of this list.

Sincerely,



Alexandra Daum
Commissioner

cc: Charlene Russell-Tucker – Commissioner, SDE
Katie S. Dykes, Commissioner, DEEP

October 17, 2023

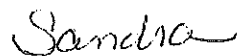
Dear Link,

Please accept this letter as my formal notification that I am resigning from my position as of Revenue Collector with the Town of Sterling. My last day will be Wednesday January 31, 2024.

I have greatly enjoyed my time with the Town of Sterling, and I am grateful for the opportunities and experiences I have had here. However, I have decided that it is time for me to retire.

Thank you for your support and guidance during my time at the town hall. I will do my best to ensure a smooth transition during my remaining time as Revenue Collector.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sandra".

Sandra Lisee