

To the Appropriations Committee:

The Litchfield Jazz Festival is the largest cultural event in Litchfield County in the summer months. It raises the profile of CT as a tourist destination and a purveyor of high-quality entertainment and top-notch arts education. It is an indisputable and sizeable economic driver for the state.

Please do not eliminate or decrease the DECD Line Item for Litchfield Jazz Festival or other arts organizations in Connecticut. The impact of this program is tremendous.

Thank you!

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