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# Front Porch News from Meriden, Plainville, Southington and Wallingford

By **Staff reports**

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The grants were distributed through the Dudley Henry Barnes and Leila Upson Barnes Memorial Trust. The purpose of the trust, established in 1973, is to fund organizations that work to improve the health of residents in Southington.

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The organizations that will receive grants are:

- Arc of Southington: three group homes
- The Lewis Education Center: operating support for agricultural education in the community.
- LiveWell: \$100,000 for dementia and advocacy initiatives at Southington schools and the
- Prudence Crandall Center: operating support for violence intervention and prevention services at Southington schools and the
- Senior Transportation Center: operating support for violence intervention and prevention services at Southington schools and the
- Southington Education Center: operating support for violence intervention and prevention services at Southington schools and the
- Wheeler Health: \$95,500 to support the Southington Community Health Outreach Project, which provides access to behavioral health and substance-use resources and services.

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