



The Stamford Partnership 2025-26 Overview



A Partnership for the Future

The **Stamford Partnership** is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit focused on **improving the quality of life for Stamford's residents, workforce, businesses, and stakeholders.**

We bring **people, companies, governments, and nonprofits together** to reimagine our shared future.

Focused on **economic and social impact**, we're **guided by our three pillars:**



Public Private Partnership

We create and empower coalitions to help transform Stamford. Together, we foster a city that's fully connected, powered by technology, and with sustainability at the core of all we do.



Ecosystem Development

We create programs and services for high potential industries and networks—to encourage innovation, growth, and connectivity.



Talent Development

We believe that the workforce of the future is built on lifelong learning, soft skills, and technical knowhow. And we help individuals and companies grow with these concepts at the forefront.



Our History

1978 The **Stamford Economic Assistance Corporation** is formed by local business leaders.

1988 The **Stamford Partnership** takes its current name and form

1992 The Stamford Partnership helps create the **DSSD**, known today as Stamford Downtown..

1987 The **Stamford Chamber of Commerce** is formed through the Stamford Partnership.

1998 **UConn Stamford** opens in downtown **Stamford**, led by the Stamford Partnership.

1996 **Stamford Public Education Foundation** is launched via The Partnership.

2000 The **Waterside Coalition** is formed through the Partnership.

2004 The **Mill River Park Collaborative** is formed, eventually growing to become Stamford's 'central park.'

2008 **Neighbors Link** (now P2P) is launched, supporting Stamford's immigrant community.

2016 The Partnership leads the effort to **refresh the City's branding**.

2012 Advocacy efforts lead to major updates at the **Stamford Transportation Center**

2019 **SWIFI**, Stamford's first and only **free public WiFi** network, launches in downtown Stamford

2023 The Partnership greatly expands its **free co-working initiative**

2023 Launch of **Tech Sector Partnership**

2025 **Stamford Tech Hub** launched



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Our Impact

We foster an economic and social ecosystem that creates **new opportunities and helps individuals thrive**. Together, we make a **lasting, positive impact on our community**.

The Partnership has been instrumental in:

- Initiating UConn's expansion and relocation to downtown Stamford
- Providing free public WiFi
- Producing Stamford Innovation Week
- Rebranding the City
- Reimagining our mobility strategy
- Fostering Stamford Downtown, Mill River Park Collaborative, Stamford Chamber of Commerce, Waterside Coalition, East Side Partnership, and many other organizations

Stamford Partnership Initiatives:

- 1 **Stamford Tech Hub:** Digital Workforce Training Program
- 2 **Dream Up:** Grants for Minority Entrepreneurs
- 3 **StartLab:** Free Co-working for Entrepreneurs
- 4 **Nonprofit Incubator:** 501(c)(3) Fiduciary
- 5 **Leadership Fairfield County:** Development Program for Executives
- 6 **Good Jobs Challenge:** Tech Sector Partnership Support & Workforce Training Initiative
- 7 **Southwest Connecticut Tech Hub:** Co-Convener of Tech Industry Sector Partnership in Fairfield County



Project Spotlight, Stamford Tech Hub

**YOUR
TECH CAREER
GETS
MORE FUEL
HERE.**

**IT'S YOUR
LAUNCH DAE**

If you're idling in the same spot of your career:

- ▶ GET UPSKILLED ON THE LATEST IN TECHNOLOGY
- ▶ GET MONEY TO COVER LIVING EXPENSES
- ▶ GET GOING ON YOUR NEXT LEVEL WORK GOALS

- 1 Day, 3 Week, or 6 Month programs
- \$300 stipend for 3-Week learners
- \$3,000 stipend for 6-Month learners

As you will experience, this is not "tech training."
Programs begin in April, so secure your spot.

**SEATS WILL
GO FAST
JUMP ON
BOARD
REGISTER
NOW**

The dae programs at the Stamford campus are
funded by generous funding from local partners.

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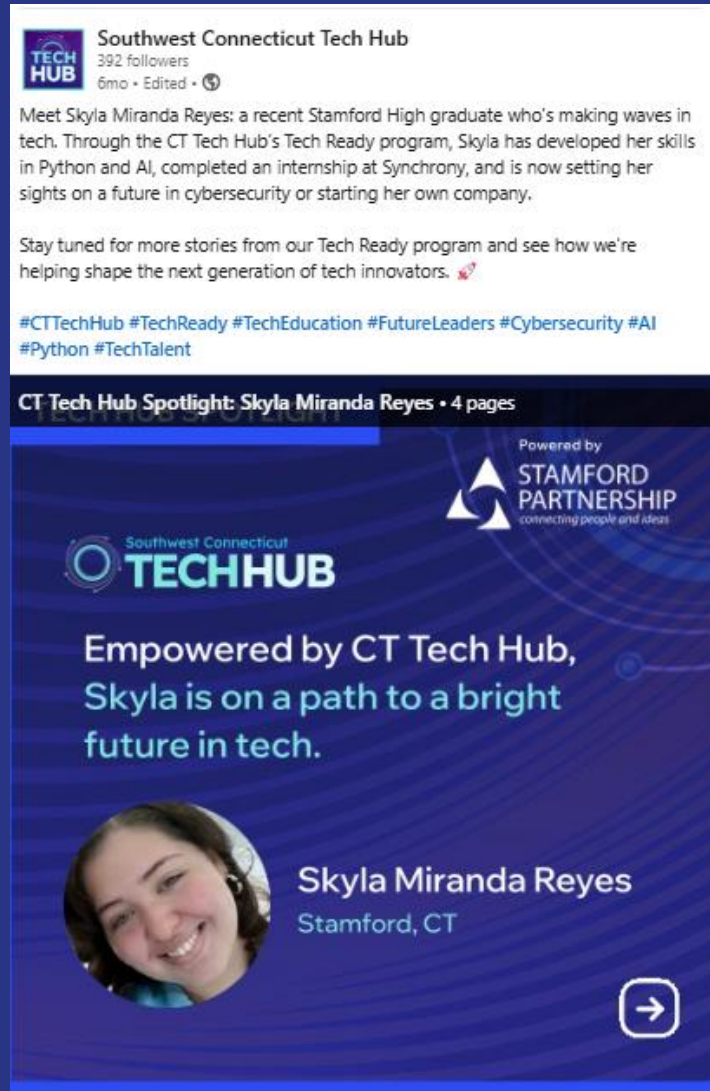
THE PLACE TO
BE YOU AND BREAK THROUGH

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Stamford Tech Hub provides Stamford residents free access to programs designed to develop tech skills, from entry-level exposure to job readiness. helps Stamford residents get the resources and skills they need to thrive in our tech-enabled world.



Project Spotlight, Good Jobs Challenge



Southwest Connecticut Tech Hub
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Meet Skyla Miranda Reyes: a recent Stamford High graduate who's making waves in tech. Through the CT Tech Hub's Tech Ready program, Skyla has developed her skills in Python and AI, completed an internship at Synchrony, and is now setting her sights on a future in cybersecurity or starting her own company.

Stay tuned for more stories from our Tech Ready program and see how we're helping shape the next generation of tech innovators.


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connecting people and ideas

Southwest Connecticut
TECHHUB

Empowered by CT Tech Hub,
Skyla is on a path to a bright
future in tech.

 **Skyla Miranda Reyes**
Stamford, CT

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The Good Jobs Challenge highlights **workforce development** as key to accelerating local economic growth and **rebuilding regional economies** so they are more resilient to future challenges, while providing **good job opportunities** for American workers to achieve **economic mobility and security**.



Project Spotlight, Southwest CT Tech Hub



The Stamford Partnership is a co-convenor of the Southwest CT Tech Sector Partnership, which brings together tech- and data-driven leaders to strengthen our region's position as a thriving Tech Hub. Employer partners leverage their collective scale to tackle difficult workforce and economic development issues.



Project Spotlight, Leadership Fairfield County

Leadership Fairfield County is a professional development program that broadens the skills and perspectives of organizational leaders—and provides the region with individuals who are prepared to serve as catalysts for positive change.

