



## We are pleased to share that we have reached several important milestones toward our Ground Floor Renovation Project.

### Our milestones to date:

- Secured **\$2,000,000** in funding from the State of Connecticut
- Secured **\$500,000** through the State Housing Tax Credit Contribution Program
- Secured support from Morrison Living and the City of New Haven’s Community Development Block Grant process
- Received building permit
- Community support through private donations

*“We are so grateful to the Ground Floor Funding Taskforce for their leadership and support throughout the planning stages of our project. Through the guidance of Linda Cedarbaum, Funding Taskforce Chair, every member personally stepped forward, offering their expertise. This group’s unwavering drive is making our dream become a reality.*

*The Towers is especially thankful to Governor Ned Lamont, Deputy Speaker of the House of Representatives, Juan Candelaria who championed our project and secured \$2M in State funds. Directly through Juan’s advocacy for The Towers, we have taken another large step closer to our groundbreaking. Thank you Bob Cole for introducing us to Juan! Thank you to Gayle Slossberg for her expertise and guidance throughout this initiative.”*

**–Gustave Keach-Longo, President/CEO**

## JOIN US

**This is a whole community effort and we’re delighted we’ve come so far. We still have much work to do and welcome you to join us moving this project forward. To get involved, contact Jennifer Bayer, Director of Development at (203) 772-1816, ext. 290 or [jennifer@towerlane.org](mailto:jennifer@towerlane.org) to learn more.**

We are so grateful to Governor Ned Lamont and the State of Connecticut. Thank you to Deputy Speaker of the House of Representatives, Juan Candelaria for championing this project through the process and for making this funding possible. Special thanks also to State Senator, Martin M. Looney, President Pro Tempore, Representative Patricia Dillon, Alder Carmen Rodriguez, Board Director Robert Cole, Former State Senator and Board Director Gayle Slossberg, and Michael Bloom, Executive Director of JFACT.

### Ground Floor Renovation Funding Task Force

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*“Thank you Representative Juan Candelaria, our Towers Ground Floor Funding Task Force, Newman Architects, Cama Design, and Housing Smarts who have all worked so diligently to bring us to this exciting point in time. The Towers has always been at the vanguard of what is possible to serve our seniors, and we will continue to do so. I am so excited to be part of this amazing effort and look forward to the creation of this beautiful space for our residents.”*

**–Cindy Leffell, Chair of the Board**

# THANK YOU

We thank the private donors who have generously supported this project. Much gratitude to all the taskforce volunteers donating their time and expertise to this effort.