



# 2018 CONNECTICUT COMMUNITY IMPACT REPORT

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Our team at CohnReznick is generous and strives to make our community a better place. Community impact, however, goes beyond writing a check. It requires teamwork, dedication, energy, patience, and leadership. These qualities are demonstrated by the members of our team. They go above and beyond each year to improve the lives of children, veterans, and families in our community, and this year was no different.

Our team put away their computers and other devices for our 4th Annual Week of Caring. We rolled up our sleeves, put on work gloves, and got to work — painting, landscaping, baking, teaching — well, you get the point!

In between, we raised funds, grew beards and mustaches (well, some of us), made lunches for the homeless, created care packages for veterans, and bought toys for boys and girls during the holiday season.

As a firm, we believe engaging our team and giving back to our community go hand in hand. We each have our own personal reasons for being involved, but we all agree that we have an obligation to give back to the community that we call home.

Thank you to our employees for their continued commitment to our community and their exceptional generosity of spirit.

**Patricia McGowan**  
Partner, Connecticut CARES Chair

# NATIONAL INITIATIVE



In 2018, June was designated as CohnReznick CARES Month. This new, firm wide initiative allowed offices to host their own “Day of Caring,” where they could come together and give back to their communities.

The monthlong dedication to service unified the individual office activities under one firm initiative, while allowing each office to focus on organizations and causes important to their local communities.



In addition to CARES Month, CohnReznick offices throughout the country came together on three national initiatives: Honoring our Veterans through Operation Gratitude, a letter writing campaign to active duty military; celebrating the life of Dr. Martin Luther King through CohnReznick’s Lunch Project, where we made lunch for our neighbors in need; and supporting Gay Pride through community service projects.



*CohnReznick Lunch Project.*



*Honoring veterans through Operation Gratitude.*

“Giving back to our communities is such an important part of the work we do and a major reason why I’m proud of our Firm. We can do great things as individuals, but when all of us work together, we can have a greater impact on the communities we call home and the people around us, whether they’re friends, neighbors, or strangers.” — **Frank Longobardi, CEO, CohnReznick**

# CT WEEK OF CARING



Klingberg Family Centers where “Every Child is Precious and Deserves a Safe, Caring Home”

Every year, the Center hosts the Klingberg Vintage Motorcar Series, a family-friendly event with food, music, and fun for everyone. Each show is a beautiful display of antique automobiles through 1979. CohnReznick team members helped to ready the Center’s grounds for an upcoming show by trimming back branches that lined the driveway where the cars would be on display and painting Adirondack chairs that sit on the main building’s front porch that serves as a gathering spot for visitors and employees. One lucky group of CohnReznick team members even had the chance to wax a 1938 Ford Street Rod.



ACORD provides a high quality and creative range of community-based supports and services to adults with mental and developmental disabilities.

CohnReznick team members helped to transform the appearance of an ACORD group home by painting its exterior, stairs, entryways, and front and back decks. Curbside appeal can dramatically change the appearance of a home, and the CohnReznick landscaping crew cut back and shaped the unruly bushes and shrubs that were taking over the front yard.



Riverfront Recapture is dedicated to improving central Connecticut’s quality of life and urban vitality through cultural events, entertainment, group sports, and recreation along the banks of the Connecticut River as well as ongoing efforts to protect and maintain the Riverfront and make more of it accessible to the public.



Team members spent the morning cleaning life jackets and repairing donated fishing rods for children who participate in weekly programs along the Connecticut River. In the afternoon, teams cleaned and waxed eight-person crew boats and then tackled a twelve-person “Dragon” boat.



The Village was one of the first agencies in the country to provide homes for neglected children. Today, the Village continues to achieve its mission, “to build a community of strong, healthy families who protect and nurture children.”



The CohnReznick team donned work gloves, and using an assortment of gardening and lawn tools, resurrected overgrown rose bushes, weeded flower beds, and spread four yards of mulch across the campus. In the afternoon, teams organized the toy storeroom, and washed windows in the Village’s main administrative building. We also discovered that a leaf blower does a great job cleaning the interior of large passenger vans before we moved on to washing and detailing the vehicles.



The Boys and Girls Club of Stamford serves more than 1,600 children, ages 6–18, in fulfillment of their mission to enable all youth to reach their full potential as productive, caring, and responsible citizens.

CohnReznick employees of our Stamford office took part in a Day of Play & Ice Cream Social at the Boys & Girls Club of Stamford. It is hard to tell who had more fun on this day—the kids at the Boys & Girls Club or the CohnReznick “big” kids that got to spend time there.





**More Connecticut CARES events**  
*(shown left to right):*

- House of Bread Hunger Banquet
- JA in a Day
- Salvation Army Angel Tree
- Steven J. DeLuzio Scholarship
- Movember



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