Economic Development Activity Report October and November 2012

Labor Statistics

September 2012

| | Labor Force | Employed | <u>Unemployed</u> | <u>Percentage</u> |
|--------------|-------------|-----------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Milford | 31,038 | 28,501 | 2,537 | 8.2 |
| Connecticut | 1,912,900 | 1,736,900 | 176,000 | 9.2 |
| U. S. | 155,255,000 | 142,558,000 | 12,696,000 | 8.6 |
| October 2012 | | | | |
| Milford | 30,589 | 28,124 | 2,465 | 8.1 |
| Connecticut | 1,897,100 | 1,733,500 | 163,600 | 8.6 |
| U.S. | 155,779,000 | 144,039,000 | 11,741,000 | 7,5 |

Building Permit Activity

In September 2012 the City of Milford issued 95 building permits with a construction value of \$5,660,787. This does not include 170 electrical, mechanical, and plumbing permits with a construction value of \$1,162,425.

Major commercial and industrial projects include \$3,400,000 for major renovations to the Comfort Inn at 278 Old Gate Lane and \$742,270 for site improvements and a major addition to Tri-State Trucking repair facilities at 312 Woodmont Road.

In August 2012 the City of Milford issued 114 building permits with a construction value of \$3,296,096.

In July 2012 the City of Milford issued 85 building permits with a construction value of \$3,106,332. In June 2012 the City of Milford issued 130 building permits with a construction value of \$4,718,881.

In May 2012 the City of Milford issued 127 building permits with a construction value of \$3,791,349.51.

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Economic Development Activity

FAST SIGNS has moved from Orange to Milford at 1015 Bridgeport Ave.

Beachside Market on Melba St. is closed. A dollar store will go in the same space.

Buy Buy Baby will have its first store in CT located in the CT Post Mall. It is an upscale store and the first store that is not free standing. It will be located opposite the new LA Fitness, which will bring more patronage and excitement to this section of the mall.

"After the Fall", a major independent film starring David Duchovny and Timothy Hutton, shot scenes in Milford at City Hall and other locations in the City.

Grand Openings were held for SuzieCakes, Mathnasium and Frosty Twist (today).

Planning and Zoning approved a hookah lounge on Bridgeport Ave. Sammer Karout, owner, had been closed down by the Health Dept. in 2009.