

LINDA DAVIS-CANNON

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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

I am responsible for creating partnerships with residents and other neighborhood organizations. To identify and reduce blight while maintaining a clean/safe neighborhood. My main objective is to identify homeowners, landlords, and tenants and design strategies to improve the existing neighborhood. Results-oriented, high-energy, hands-on professional with 20 + years of experience and a successful record of accomplishments in Housing and Zoning Matters.

Key skills include:

- Knowledge and understanding of planning principles and practices of community development
 - Excellent Communication Skills
 - Knowledgeable of city and state zoning enforcement laws
 - Knowledge of financing and budgeting on community projects
 - Worked with non-profit organizations
 - Ability to investigate and enforce local ordinances with firmness and tact
 - Ability to mediate, analyze and resolve conflicts
 - Identify and reduce blight while designing strategies to improve existing housing stock
 - Trained in rehabilitation case management in governmental loan programs CDBG
 - Create partnerships with residents and community groups
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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Town of Hamden

Community Services

Community Services Outreach Technician

(2/2023-present)

- Assist with administering Food, Fuel, and related social services programs.
- Manage annual RFP and contracting process for Public Service Agencies receiving CDBG Funding.
- Work with applicants during the home rehabilitation application process.
- Maintain grant records and established and maintain grant and loan procedures.
- Assists with preparing the consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plan, and Comprehensive Annual Performance and Evaluation Report.
- Ensure compliance with federal and state CDBG program guidelines and regulations.

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Neighborhood Specialist

(7/1996-2/2023)

- Act as a liaison on behalf of the city on all areas regarding municipal affairs for the public in assigned areas. This includes educating and answering general questions relating to housing, building code, zoning, development, and all other inquiries that pertain to the city agencies.
- Ability to investigate and enforce local ordinances such as unregistered vehicles, litter, high grass, storage of garbage, etc.; issue warnings and citations related to these ordinance violations; process liens on the property as necessary.
- Maintained a portfolio of over 150 vacant properties Residential and Commercial and numerous municipal owned parcels to ensure they are secured and maintained.
- Collaboration with housing developers, property managers, and other real estate professionals.
- Overseeing and administering New Haven's Neighborhood Public Improvement Project funds with community collaboration with a budget of \$20,000 yearly for capital projects within assigned neighborhoods.
- Maintain close relationships with community organizations and frequently attending neighborhood meetings.
- Coordinating and managing a full range of community-related activities with direct responsibility for assigned projects and programs
- Knowledge of housing and community development programs and their implementation neighborhood Block-watches, Community Development Corporations, Community Management Teams/Empowerment Zone.

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Zoning Enforcement Officer

2/99-present

Deputize as Zoning Enforcement Officer in February 1999. Administer and enforce the zoning regulations as directed, explain and interprets Zoning Ordinance to the public as necessary, and inspect complaints, and follow through.

- Investigates zoning complaints of suspected illegal use of land, structures, and occupancy.
- Notifies owners and/or lease of zoning violation in writing and follow-up to ensure corrective action required by the New Haven Zoning Ordinance.
- Inspects and monitors all cases granted zoning relief as stipulated by the Board of Zoning Appeals in which specific terms and conditions are to be accomplished and in compliance with the said directive.
- Prepares and maintains necessary documentation, reports, and files and performs related work as required.
- Knowledge of local zoning ordinances and building codes including construction types.
- Ability to detect violation zoning and building regulations.
- Ability to determine remedial action necessary to correct violations to effect compliance.

EDUCATION & CREDENTIALS

Paier College of Art, Inc, Hamden CT
Certificate of Interior Design, June 2010

Other Training and Special Interest

Connecticut Vibrant Communities Coalition, Co-chair – (2020-present)
Council 4 Local 3144-Union Local and International Delegate (2011-present)
City of New Haven Homeless Outreach Task Force – (2019- present)
Neighbor Works America
Strategies for More Livable Neighborhoods
Coaching for Transformation, February 2015
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