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**Fairfield Museum and History Center Awards Eight Grants  
To Beautify Town With Dogwoods**

FAIRFIELD (APRIL 9) The Fairfield Historical Society is pleased to award grant funds to eight Fairfield community organizations for the purposes of planting flowering dogwood trees throughout the town. Grants have been awarded to Operation Hope, Greenfield Hill Village Improvement Society, Greens Farms Garden Club, Burr Elementary School PTA, Fairfield Beach Residents Association, Holy Family School, Stratfield Village Association and Greenfield Hill Garden Club.

“The Fairfield Museum is honored to assist the State of Connecticut in distributing these grant funds that will support other Fairfield organizations in their efforts to beautify our community,” noted Fairfield Historical Society Executive Director Michael Jehle.

These grants were made possible by the Dogwood Beautification Grant Program, a grant from the State of Connecticut providing funds to support the purchase and planting of flowering dogwood trees that contribute to the overall beautification of the Fairfield community. The program was begun in 2006 by State Representative Cathy Tymniak to support the planting of flowering dogwood trees in areas of public view throughout Fairfield.

The distribution of Dogwood Beautification Grant funds is part of the Fairfield Historical Society’s expanding role as a community cultural organization. Central to that new role is the construction of the Fairfield Museum and History Center, now nearing completion on the Town Green adjacent to Town Hall. The Museum, located at 370 Beach Road, is making plans for its grand opening on September 16, when the community will be invited to celebrate Fairfield’s newest cultural treasure. Visitors will explore the museum’s modern galleries, relaxing reading room, and educational classroom, and be tempted by its new museum shop – there will be something for everyone to enjoy!

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