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GROWING CONNECTICUT JOBS

Connecticut's unemployment rate continues to go in the right direction with over 70,000 private-sector jobs created and the fastest rate of growth since the 1990's. This year alone Connecticut's labor force increased by 35,651. Overall, 2014 is turning out to be the best year of our state's continued employment recovery.

- **Funded training and employment opportunities** for residents who have exhausted their unemployment benefits
- **Helped veterans in their job search** through business tax incentives and statewide coordination efforts
- **Increased the minimum wage** for hourly workers
- **Provided support to help small businesses grow** by expanding Small Business Express
- Call me for more information **860-240-0414**

Go Back to Get Ahead

Unfinished degree and thinking about returning to college? Connecticut now provides a pathway for former students to return and pursue a degree.

www.gobacktogetahead.com

Expanding Opportunities for Women

Our state is ranked as one of the best places in the country for women to live and work. We earned a perfect score in maternity leave provisions, have a low teenage birth rate and nearly 36% of women 25 or older hold a bachelor's degree or higher.



Helping Seniors

Additional funding for the Elderly Renters' Rebate program will allow for more than 13,000 new applicants along with current recipients to stay in their homes. For more information call Infoline at **211**.