

## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

### COMMUNITY HEALTH & WELLNESS CENTER PRESENTS “MOTHER’S DAY BEAUTY BAGS” TO SUSAN B. ANTHONY PROJECT

TORRINGTON, CT, May 8---In honor of Mother’s Day on May 13<sup>th</sup>, Community Health & Wellness Center is gifting “Beauty Bags” for residents at the Susan B. Anthony Project. Packaged in silky purple and pink drawstring pouches, the gift bags contain a variety of beauty and wellness products donated by CHWC staff, as well as from area businesses Ridge Runner Soap Co. (<https://www.ridgerunnersoaps.com>); Cindy Bensley, RN, Arbonne independent consultant/executive area manager ([cindybensley.arbonne.com](http://cindybensley.arbonne.com)); and Christina Schoenknecht, owner of Torrington’s Christina’s Consign Mint and an independent Avon representative (<http://www.consignmint.net>). The donated items include moisturizers, shower gel, cosmetics, haircare items, skincare items, soaps, hand cream, brushes, hair ornaments, and more.

“The Susan B. Anthony Project is our valued neighbor, and we admire the strength and beauty of the mothers who are in residence there,” says Joanne Borduas, CEO of CHWC. “We wanted these women to know that there are others in the community who care about them and support them on their life journey.”

The beauty bags will be presented by Borduas to Gina Devaux, director of development at the Susan B. Anthony Project, on Thursday, May 10<sup>th</sup>, at 10 am.

## **ABOUT COMMUNITY HEALTH AND WELLNESS CENTER**

The Community Health & Wellness Center of Greater Torrington is committed to keeping communities healthy. The center, its employees, volunteer practitioners, board members, officer, and independent contractors are deemed to be employees of the Federal Public Health and Human Services. In a compassionate, patient-centered environment, CHWC services are accessible and provided without discriminations, with cultural competence, and where all people matter regardless of their ability to pay.

CHWC offers and continues to develop a range of healthcare services for the underserved throughout northwest Connecticut, including medical, dental, chiropractic, and counseling services. It strives to achieve the reputation of “provider of choice” for affordable, high quality services that achieve positive patient outcomes in a welcoming and caring environment.

CHWC collaborates and advocates with other organizations to increase the region’s capacity to meet the communities’ health and wellness needs. It is the only Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) in Connecticut to receive a Health Services and Resource’s Association’s (HRSA) Health Center Program 2017 Quality Leader Award.

CHWC is located at 469 Migeon Avenue, Torrington, CT, and 115 Spencer Street, Winsted, CT, with the following satellite locations: FISH of Torrington, 332 South Main Street, Torrington; Sullivan Senior Center, 88 East Albert Street, Torrington, CT; The Open Door Soup Kitchen, 160

Main Street, Winsted; YMCA Emergency Shelter, 480 Main Street, Winsted; Torrington Soup Kitchen, 220 Prospect Street, Torrington; and Oliver Wolcott Technical School, 75 Oliver Street, Torrington. Telephone 860-489-0931, visit at [www.chwctorr.org](http://www.chwctorr.org) and on Facebook.

### **ABOUT THE SUSAN B. ANTHONY PROJECT**

The Susan B. Anthony Project promotes safety, healing and growth for all survivors of domestic and sexual abuse and advocates for the autonomy of women and the end of interpersonal violence. It provides crisis and support services for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. All services are confidential, free, and available 24/7.

When the time is right, Susan B. Anthony Project counselors help women plan for their future working with them to create a personal budget, realize job goals, assist with job search and training, resume writing, and more.

The Susan B Anthony Counseling & Advocacy Center is located at 179 Water Street in Torrington, CT. Telephone 860-489-3798. <https://sbaproject.org>.

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