

# Spring HOME IMPROVEMENT

## \$24 million approved for energy efficiency projects

Gov. M. Jodi Rell announced that the state will receive \$24 million in federal stimulus funds for energy efficiency projects at both the state and local level.

The governor said of the \$24 million, more than \$15 million in grants have been awarded directly to dozens of municipalities.

Southington is slated to receive \$172,200.

"This is a wonderful opportunity for towns and cities to make investments that build on our long-term goals for a cleaner environment while creating jobs at the local level," Rell said. "Municipalities have the flexibility to use these grants for project that best suit their needs."

The funding will support a variety of projects, including energy audits, retrofits, transportation programs that conserve energy, greenhouse gas reduction, development of energy efficient building codes and geothermal building systems.

Towns and cities can also create of a financial incentive program for energy improvements.

The \$24 million builds on an investment of \$102.8 million for weatherization and other energy funding in Connecticut under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

For more information on

these grants and the AARA in Connecticut, visit [www.ct.gov](http://www.ct.gov) and click on the CT Recovery link.

## Doors

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people to work with," Freitas said. "In my line of work, investors usually put a lot of pressure on you and often

change their minds about how the work should be done. They let me do my job and were very trusting and respectful of my work. I would definitely work with them again and hope to in the near future." Opening Doors re-

cently acquired another single-family property in Cheshire and expects the rehabilitation to take about two months to complete.

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