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The Arc New London County Wins Grant to Support Employment Opportunities

Chelsea Groton Foundation renews support of The Arc's aquaponics project, vocational training for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities in the region

The Arc New London County is pleased to announce the award of a \$500 grant from Chelsea Groton Foundation in continued support of the agency's aquaponics project. Aquaponics – a growing system combining aquaculture and hydroponics – provides employment training opportunities for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities in the cutting-edge field of agricultural science.

Through The Arc New London County's aquaponics project, participants explore several aspects of employment while strengthening the vocational skills associated with each job. The Arc NLC's goal is to create opportunities for earning competitive wages and learning skills transferrable into various career fields such as horticulture, culinary arts, custodial services, retail and more. To learn more about The Arc New London County's aquaponics project, please visit www.thearcnlc.org, or contact Meghan Horan, 860-889-4435.

The Arc New London County is a local nonprofit agency founded by families 61 years ago. Today, The Arc supports more than 550 people with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families in Southeastern Connecticut. To learn more, please visit TheArcNLC.org.

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