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ROWLEY SPRING & STAMPING CORP. USES AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT GRANT FROM THE CITY TO BROADEN ITS OPERATIONAL CAPABILITIES

BRISTOL, CT – Rowley Spring & Stamping Corp., a Bristol manufacturer that produces springs and stamping products used in hundreds of applications with customers all over the world, was awarded an American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) grant from the City of Bristol. Rowley Spring & Stamping Corp. was established in 1954 and currently employs 110 people at its facility located at 210 Redstone Hill Road.

Rowley was one of several Bristol business recipients of ARPA funding designed to help organizations recover from the pandemic. Rowley's grant award in the amount of \$360,000 was used to fund capital projects at their facility to improve infrastructure, inspection capabilities, tooling technologies, and operational capacity. These investments have helped to grow their business and open new jobs for new employees – an additional five employees have been hired as a result of this funding – along with providing stability for its existing staff. The addition of the new tooling equipment with the purchase of a new Wire EDM machine and a new Machining Center have provided in-house capabilities to machine blocks and tool features.

“Rowley takes great pride in being a member of the Bristol community, and the community's unwavering support for Rowley and the manufacturing industry as a whole has had a transformative impact,” stated John Dellalana, President and CEO of Rowley Spring & Stamping Corp. “Through these partnerships, the area has experienced significant economic growth, generated good-paying jobs, and become a leading supplier of springs and stampings in the nation.”

The City of Bristol will receive approximately \$28 million in ARPA dollars over the next five years. A 15-member ARPA Task Force, comprised of appointed members from the community, was formed to help determine how these funds will be distributed to benefit the Bristol community.

In March 2022, a portion of the initial \$28 million American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) allocation was recommended for approval by the ARPA Task Force. Projects were allocated to assist Bristol businesses and nonprofit organizations with eligible project costs associated with the COVID-19 pandemic. In addition, eligible City projects, including infrastructure upgrades, City Hall HVAC improvements, park upgrades and more were also recommended.

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“Rowley Spring & Stamping is one of the few businesses that was awarded ARPA funding through the City’s competitive grant process. This grant is important to the City’s economic development as it allows Rowley to grow its business and hire additional employees,” stated Mayor Jeffrey Caggiano.

Photos attached.



From left to right: Former Mayor John Leone, ARPA Task Force Business Committee member; Mayor Jeff Caggiano; and John Higginbotham, Director of Operations at Rowley are given a tour of the Rowley Spring & Stamping facility.



Mayor Caggiano (second from left) and Former Mayor John Leone, ARPA Task Force Business Committee member (far right) pose with Chris Farrell, who is a new Rowley employee hired to operate the new Machining Center that was purchased with ARPA funding.



Two new pieces of equipment – a Wire EDM machine and an inspection comparator – that were purchased with ARPA funding.

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