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## **The Connecticut Economic Resource Center, Inc. (CERC) honors top economic development projects at Celebrate CT!**

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Hartford, CT The Connecticut Economic Resource Center, Inc. (CERC) honored top economic development projects, programs and leaders from throughout the state at the annual Celebrate CT! event on November 30, at The Bushnell in front of nearly 200 attendees.

“These awards acknowledge key people, programs and projects that are stimulating new jobs and investment in our economy,” said CERC president and CEO Robert Santy. “They are well-earned and well-deserved, and CERC is proud to recognize the 2017 honorees and their noteworthy accomplishments that are having a positive impact on Connecticut’s business environment.”

21 of the honorees were selected by 10 economic development regions across Connecticut for their contribution to the state’s economy – such as consistent or growing employment levels, playing a critical role in changing the character of its community or civic engagement, strong public/private collaboration to encourage new investment, or leadership resulting in growth or improvements. The awards, as well as an overview of regional economic successes, were co-presented by Santy and Bart Kollen, deputy commissioner of the state Department of Economic and Community Development.

Elizabeth Wallace, director of business services at CERC, also received the Connie Maffeo Customer Service Award for her knowledge and enthusiasm in servicing inquirers through the state’s business hotline at CERC.

For the full event program, including a history of award honorees, visit [CERC.com/CelebrateCT](http://CERC.com/CelebrateCT).

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