



**TOWN PROFILE**

**Area:** 17 sq. miles

**Founded:** 1855

**Government:** Selectman-Town Meeting

**Population:** 18,779 (2011)

**Labor Force:** 11,022 (2011)

**Employment:** 10,264 (2011)

**School Enrollment:** 3,102 (2010)

**Households:** 7,020 (2011)

**Median Home Sales Price:** \$344,250 (2009)

**Median Age:** 39 (2011)

**Median Household Income:** \$87,440 (2011)

DISTANCE TO MAJOR CITIES	
HARTFORD, CT	46 MILES
NEW YORK, NY	56 MILES
PROVIDENCE, RI	107 MILES
BOSTON, MA	140 MILES

UTILITIES		
ELECTRIC	CONNECTICUT LIGHT & POWER	(800) 286-2000
GAS	YANKEE GAS COMPANY	(800) 989-0900
WATER	PUBLIC WORKS	(203) 794-8549
SEWER	PUBLIC WORKS	(203) 794-8549
CABLE	COMCAST/DANBURY	(800) 266-2278
U-VERSE	AT&T	(866) 616-9180

**CONTACTS**

<b>Municipal Center</b>	<b>(203) 794-8501</b>
<b>First Selectman's Office</b>	<b>(203) 794-8501</b>
<b>Bethel Fire Department</b>	<b>(203) 778-7414</b>
<b>Board of Education</b>	<b>(203) 794-8601</b>
<b>Chamber of Commerce</b>	<b>(203) 743-6500</b>
<b>Economic Development</b>	<b>(203) 794-2822</b>
<b>Parks and Recreation</b>	<b>(203) 794-8531</b>
<b>Police Department</b>	<b>(203) 743-5500</b>
<b>Public Library</b>	<b>(203) 794-8756</b>
<b>Post Office</b>	<b>(203) 748-4741</b>
<b>Stony Hill Fire Dept.</b>	<b>(203) 778-7417</b>

For a complete list of contacts, go to [www.bethel-ct.gov](http://www.bethel-ct.gov)

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## CONNECTICUT



**CLIFFORD J. HURGIN MUNICIPAL CENTER**

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*Welcome to* Bethel, Connecticut!

The small New England town of Bethel, formed in 1855, is located in northern Fairfield County. Bethel lies sixty miles northeast of New York City and fifty miles southwest of Hartford, and is accessed by Interstate 84 and state routes 6, 53, and 58. Neighboring towns are Redding, Danbury, Brookfield and Newtown. A town of more than 18,000 people spread over 17 square miles, Bethel is served by a full-time police force, two volunteer fire departments, and the David W. Deakin Educational Park. The educational campus contains five schools from grades K-12 plus sports fields. The birthplace of P. T. Barnum, Bethel is home to the corporate headquarters of Duracell Inc. and Eaton Corporation, along with the bucolic Blue Jay Orchards.

## Living, Working and Doing Business In Bethel

Bethel is a vibrant community in northern Fairfield County that has retained its small town charm while providing 21st century facilities and services. Bethel's convenient location, safe environment, quality schools, affordable real estate and taxes, and superb quality of life make it the ideal town in which to live and work.

### LOCATION

Bethel is centrally located, in northern Fairfield County, between New York and Hartford. Neighboring towns include Redding, Danbury, Brookfield and Newtown.

### TRANSPORTATION

Easy road access from Interstate 84 as well as state routes 6, 53 and 58. Bethel has a train station on the Metro North rail line and HART bus service. Conveniently located to seaports and regional and international airports.

### EDUCATION

Bethel's public and parochial schools have received both state and national recognition for their achievements in education and the arts. There are over 40 colleges and universities within a 50 mile range of Bethel and more than half of the population hold degrees of higher education.

### RECREATION, ARTS & CULTURE

Six town parks, two state parks and open space provide areas for outdoor recreation such as biking, hiking, fishing, camping, picnicking, and playgrounds. Historic Downtown and the Route 6 Corridor offer a variety of shopping and entertainment opportunities ranging from small boutiques, eateries, antique shops and a movie theater to larger, nationally recognized, businesses. Bethel has active teen and senior centers, many clubs and organizations, and hosts cultural and community events throughout the year.

TYPES OF INDUSTRY	
AGRICULTURE	3.4%
CONSTRUCTION & MINING	17.8%
MANUFACTURING	9.4%
TRANSPORTATION & UTILITIES	2.8%
TRADE	20.4%
FINANCE, INS. & REAL ESTATE	5.4%
SERVICES	37.0%
GOVERNMENT	3.7%

### COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES

Historic Downtown

Route 6 Corridor

Clarke Business Park

Berkshire Corporate Park

### BUSINESSES IN BETHEL

Duracell Inc.

Target Corporation

Berkshire Industrial Group

Eaton Corporation