

## From The House

### Rep Matt Ritter

In December of 2014, I was invited to an Asylum Hill NRZ meeting at the beautiful home of Valerio and Dulcie Giadone on Ashley Street to discuss various issues in the neighborhood. At that meeting, I received a request to provide the NRZ with a summary of state and federal programs which assist homeowners in repairing their home or assist prospective homeowners in purchasing a new home.

I contacted the State of Connecticut Office of Legislative Research and received a terrific summary on: (i) state and federal government home repair and rehabilitation programs available to homeowners; and (ii) state homebuyer financial assistance programs.

I would be glad to share these reports with anyone who may want to take advantage of any of these programs. For a copy of the reports please email me at [matthew.ritter@cga.ct.gov](mailto:matthew.ritter@cga.ct.gov) or call me at the Capitol at (860) 240-8500.

Asylum Hill has an amazing housing stock and these programs will help to preserve it.

In closing, it appears that Spring is finally beginning to arrive. Hopefully, the snow is gone soon and warm weather is here to stay. Of course, the arrival of Spring also means the arrival of tax season. United Way runs a free tax preparation clinic for anyone who needs assistance. Just call 2-1-1 and press '3' to schedule an appointment at a free tax center in Hartford.