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Bridgeport YMCA & JA of Western CT, Receives \$1,000 from Barnum Financial, an office of MetLife

March 10, 2008-Barnum Financial Group, MetLife's #1 office recently held its 3rd annual Gala which raised \$20,000 that supported four community service organizations. Among this year's recipients were Junior Achievement of Western Connecticut and the Bridgeport YMCA.

For the past three years BFG employees have participated in JA mentoring programs throughout the state and in 2006 Paul Blanco, managing director of BFG was inducted into the Junior Achievement Hall of Fame.

In 2007 BFG donated 125 bikes to the Bridgeport YMCA and in 2006 partnered with them and KABOOM to build a playground in the east side of Bridgeport.

Bernadine Venditto, Executive Director of JA of Western Connecticut and Tim Bartlett, Executive Director of the Bpt YMCA, expressed gratitude for the continued support the organizations receives from Barnum. Tim commented, " BFG's ongoing support for Bridgeport really helps boost the quality of life for the community. We appreciate all the firm has done for the Park city and look forward to their continued support."

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