



Press Release

Youth Continuum Selects Next Generation of Leadership with Appointment of New Executive Director

New Haven, CT, April 5, 2024—Youth Continuum is excited to announce the appointment of Mike Moynihan to Executive Director, ushering in a new chapter in the leadership for a non-profit organization that has served thousands of young people in Greater New Haven who are—or are at risk of—experiencing homelessness. Moynihan succeeds Paul Kosowsky who officially retires from his position as CEO on April 7.

“The Connecticut Department of Education expects a dramatic increase of students experiencing homelessness this school year,” commented John Burditt, Chair of Youth Continuum’s Board of Directors. “Mike brings a fresh perspective and decades of expertise that will allow Youth Continuum to not only preserve our current programs that serve our most vulnerable young people but also find new ways and funding sources to address the crisis at hand.”

Moynihan has 30 years of leadership experience in the nonprofit sector. In addition to serving as President of United Way of Camden County for 15 years, he has worked in local United Ways from Florida to Maine and in Greater Philadelphia and southern New Jersey. Following Moynihan’s United Way career and immediately before joining Youth Continuum he was a member of the national staff at Boys & Girls Club of America, serving as the Northeast Regional Director for Resource Development Club Services.

As a child growing up in New Haven, Moynihan was immersed in community service, advocacy and driving positive community change. His mother was Head Nurse at Yale-New Haven Hospital in the Emergency Department where she created the first hospital-based treatment center for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. At the same time, his father was an executive at United Way of Greater New Haven. These early experiences would later influence his decision to pursue his Bachelor of Science in Social Work at Southern Connecticut State University. Mike later earned his Master of Social Work from Boston College, with concentrations in macro-level social work practices such as Community Organization and Social Planning. Mike also completed a two-year fellowship in Neighborhood Transformation at Harvard’s Kennedy School of Government.

“I’m incredibly excited to return to my hometown and take on this leadership role at Youth Continuum,” Moynihan shared. “Empowering young people who need help is central to my professional DNA. Along with our Board and very passionate staff, I’m looking forward to carrying on our agency’s legacy.”