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Hello again,

In case you're curious about what's happening with the other GHIAA campaigns, here is the latest update:

- Just Cause Eviction -- The public hearing for HB 6889 included 346 testimonies in favor of the bill (61 from GHIAA members) and 263 opposed. It was a very long hearing! The Housing Committee will vote soon on whether or not to recommend the bill to the full House of Representatives.
- Fiscal Policy Reform -- Information sessions on this issue are being held by various GHIAA congregations and by CT Voices for Children. It's not clear yet whether action on this will take the form of a bill, or if it will just be dealt with as part of larger budget negotiations.
- Combating Racial & Religious Hate -- The first "Broadening Understanding, Deepening Solidarity" workshop series has begun, with 45 participants.
- Municipal Housing Action Teams -- The West Hartford team includes several First Church members. We are doing our homework to become informed about the affordable housing situation in West Hartford, and staying alert for opportunities to participate in meetings of the Town Council and the Planning & Zoning Division.

Thanks for your support!

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