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Shelton Resident Lori-lynn Chatlos Receives 2017 OIC of New Britain Inc.'s Essence Award

WETHERSFIELD, June 9, 2017 – Lori-lynn Chatlos, a Shelton resident and 29-year employee with the Connecticut Department of Labor, has been awarded the Opportunities Industrial Center of New Britain Inc.'s OIC Essence Award for 2017.

Chatlos, who works out of the Bridgeport *American Job Center*, is a Businesses Services Specialist who helps employers with their business needs. She was recognized for her help in administering OIC programs since 2003, working with chapters in New Britain, New London, Waterbury, Bridgeport and New Haven.

As part of her work with OIC, she has overseen annual funding contracts, served as a speaker at graduations, compiled reports, and provided support in promoting the OIC mission.

Chatlos was presented with the award during OIC's annual gala at St. George's Greek Orthodox Church in New Britain. This year's May 12 gala also celebrated the organization's 45th anniversary with the theme – "45 Years of Training, 45,000 Lives Changed." Over 250 guests, including elected officials, community leaders, past and current board members, alumni, staff and friends, attended the event.

Chatlos also received recognition for her efforts in November 2015, when the New London OIC presented her with an award for providing Outstanding Support in the Community.

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