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Another Successful Operation Heart To Heart: NYFS Collects & Distributes Valentines For Troops

Newtown Youth & Family Services (NYFS) in collaboration with American Legion Post 202 held Operation Heart to Heart-Valentines for Troops this month to show appreciation toward hometown heroes.

NYFS collected over 200 valentines from the greater Newtown community including students from The Wooster School in Danbury, Newtown High School Varsity Cheer team, Newtown FUSION, and Girl Scout Troops 50764 and 51170. This was the ninth year NYFS partnered with Donna Monteleone and American Legion Post 202 for the effort.

Letters were given to Chaplain (Major) Peter Bahng to distribute. Chaplain Bahng is currently working for the 502nd Field Hospital, 549th Hospital Center, and Brian D. Allgood Army Community Hospital.

NYFS Executive Director Candice Bohr said Operation Heart to Heart "is a wonderful way to honor and show appreciation to the men and women who serve in the military. It's incredible to see the involvement of students, Girl Scouts, and the community in spreading gratitude through their handmade Valentines."