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Dear Commissioner O'Keefe,

We write concerning the fraudulent activity related to Blue Hills Civic Association (BHCA) and its fiscal year 2025 Legislatively Directed General Fund grant award.

(<https://www.ctinsider.com/connecticut/article/ct-hartford-nonprofit-bhca-state-aid-theft-20290698.php>)

On April 8, DECD informed state auditors and the state comptroller that it notified BHCA's Board Chair on April 4 to "return all undisbursed state funds to the state."

Has this been done? If so, how much state taxpayer money was returned?

The news story notes that BHCA "appears to have violated a contractual requirement to notify state government officials within about two weeks of any suspected theft." What is the penalty for such a violation?

Can you please keep us apprised on any developments or action steps concerning this matter?

Thank you for your efforts to safeguard taxpayer dollars.

Sincerely,

Henri Martin

Rob Sampson

Stephen Harding