UConn: Critical to Connecticut’s Future

1. UConn keeps great students in Connecticut and brings new people to the state — fighting the “brain drain” and helping to build a key working age population
   - Connecticut residents comprise 76 percent of UConn’s undergraduate student body.
   - Some 76 percent of UConn’s employed in-state graduates are living in Connecticut, while 27 percent of out-of-state grads stay in Connecticut for employment after graduation — people who would not have moved here otherwise.
   - UConn’s undergraduate enrollment has increased by 63 percent in the last 20 years.

2. UConn creates new businesses, jobs, and economic growth, strengthening Connecticut industry
   - More than 24,000 Connecticut jobs, or 1 out of every 90, are generated by UConn.
   - The Technology Incubation Program at UConn (TIP) is one-of-a-kind in Connecticut and has supported more than 90 startup companies, contributing to the creation of more than 2,000 jobs supported and sustained annually by the University. TIP companies have raised over $54 million in debt and equity, exceeding the $45.3 million raised in 2016 and $19.2 million in 2015. Company funding included grants, debt, equity, and revenues.
   - Industry leaders including Pratt & Whitney, Comcast, Eversource, UTC, GE, and many more have invested nearly $100 million in UConn in areas such as materials science, advanced manufacturing, big data, computer security, and other fields. Companies heavily recruit student talent on our campuses for both internships and full-time jobs to support their growth.
   - More than 500 U.S. patents have been granted based on UConn innovations, with 28 issued last year alone.

3. UConn prepares students for high-quality jobs
   - The School of Engineering’s undergraduate enrollment has grown to more than 1,100 students — a 57 percent increase in the last four years — to meet the need for more engineers as outlined by Electric Boat, UTC, and Sikorsky, among many others.
   - With the Bioscience CT initiative, enrollment at UConn’s School of Medicine and School of Dental Medicine is also growing, to ensure a stable source of future medical professionals in our state and access to quality health care for our residents.

4. UConn innovates and finds solutions to major health and societal problems
   - UConn was awarded nearly $681 million in external sponsored programs funding in the last three years.
   - UConn and UConn Health researchers innovate and find solutions to major public health challenges, including cancer, heart disease, stroke, and obesity, as well as major public policy challenges, such as the achievement gap in schools, coastal flooding, energy, cybersecurity, environmental sustainability, infrastructure safety, and more.

5. UConn improves and strengthens Connecticut cities and towns
   - UConn opened a new Hartford campus in 2017 that will transform the capital city’s downtown.
   - UConn has vibrant locations in Groton, Waterbury, and Stamford with thousands of students, faculty, and staff generating millions in economic activity.