

First Star Training Program

SAMA Graduates First Star Training Program Class in Danbury: Joined by Danbury Mayor Mark D. Boughton, Greater Danbury Chamber of Commerce President Stephen A. Bull and several other Danbury area invited guest ten students who had recently completed the ten week Star Training Program gathered at the Chamber of Commerce office on West Street to attend the first ever Star Training Program graduation ceremony in Danbury.

The Star Training Program was developed by the Spanish American Merchants Association and funded with a grant from the United States Small Business Administration to train small business owners and potential owners in basic computer skills and the accounting software program QuickBooks.

Students are also schooled in other important aspects of becoming entrepreneurs. During the ceremony the students were congratulated by Norma Rodriguez, SAMA Board Member and President of La Voz Hispana de Connecticut, Bernard Sweeney, District Director of the Small Business Administration and Andrea Gartner, Executive Director City Center Danbury.

SAMA Executive Director Julio Mendoza also congratulated the students and thanked the following people and organizations for their support of SAMA , The Literacy Volunteers of America Office in Danbury where the training was held, The Greater Danbury Chamber of Commerce, Capital Workforce Partners, Raquel Kennedy Consulting , Alfredo Sarabia and the instructor Jobana Maldonado.