



RCRA Corrective Action Cleanup + Productive Use

Economic Profile

Waterbury Redevelopment

Waterbury, Connecticut

BEFORE

Automotive components manufacturer

AFTER



Healthcare



Funeral
Home



Senior
Center

CLEANUP OVERSEEN BY

Connecticut Department of Energy and
Environmental Protection

The 9-acre Waterbury Redevelopment site is located in the East End neighborhood of Waterbury, Connecticut. Throughout the 1900s, the site operated as the Mattatuck Manufacturing Company, which manufactured brakes, transmission cables and related automotive components. An on-site wastewater treatment facility was used to manage sludge from Mattatuck's manufacturing practices. Operations at the site contaminated groundwater and soil.

With oversight from the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, Mattatuck cleaned up the site under the RCRA program. Contaminated soils and sediments were excavated and disposed of off site, which helped clean up the groundwater, and former manufacturing buildings were demolished. Cleanup was completed in 2012, allowing for the site's redevelopment. Now, businesses on site contribute nearly \$2.3 million in annual revenue to the local economy.



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EMPLOYEES



\$2.3 million

ANNUAL SALES



\$1 million

ANNUAL WAGES





THE CITY OF WATERBURY AND ITS RESIDENTS HAVE GREATLY BENEFITED FROM THE TRANSFORMATION OF AN ENTIRE NEIGHBORHOOD IN OUR BELOVED EAST END. ONCE A POLLUTED AND NOW A BEAUTIFUL SITE SERVING OUR SENIORS, PROVIDING HEALTH CARE SERVICES, EMPLOYMENT, AND REVENUE.

Neil M. O'Leary, Mayor of Waterbury

In 2011, the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection worked with the city of Waterbury and a local developer to redevelop the site. The former facility was revitalized and now hosts a community senior center, medical offices and a funeral home. Together, the businesses on site employ 18 people and contribute \$1 million in annual wages.

The city opened the Waterbury Senior Center in 2013. The Waterbury Bringing Resources to Action to Serve Seniors (BRASS) office is located within the Center, providing seniors with access to information and programming. The Center hosts wellness-related programs such as flu clinics and has a computer lab to teach seniors new technology such as video calling. The Center plays an important role in decreasing senior isolation in the community.

Redevelopment aided in the long-awaited expansion of Casey's Eastside Memorial Funeral Home, which has been part of the community for over 70 years. The Casey family recognized the potential to grow their business while simultaneously benefiting the neighborhood. Additionally, the redevelopment provided space for Saint Mary's Hospital, a nonprofit teaching hospital, to expand its services into the neighborhood.

This once-blighted facility has been transformed into a bustling complex in the East End neighborhood that provides important access to services for the residents of Waterbury.



The Waterbury Senior Center provides seniors with opportunities for social interaction, including a recreation room with card and pool tables.



The St. Mary's Medical Center provides the community with access to internal medicine doctors and physical therapists as well as walk-in X-ray and laboratory services.