

East Hartford is on the brink of amazing economic growth and development

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As we realize our Master Plan of Development for Rentschler Field, welcome the expansion of Goodwin College on its Connecticut riverfront campus, and attract technology-based companies to the Connecticut Center for Advanced Technology (CCAT) incubator, it is clear that we are on the brink of an amazing period of economic growth and development. We are thrilled about the changes in East Hartford's immediate Future. Clearly, there's no better place to be.

Join the move to East Hartford. Come and see how East Hartford works for your business, the surrounding community and for you. The opportunity to build your brilliant future here in East Hartford starts today. Staff and commissioners work tirelessly to assure that businesses and new development successfully navigate our regulatory system and receive the assistance they need.

The East Hartford Redevelopment Agency recently completed a 15,000 s/f medical office building and designated a developer for a 24-unit elderly complex on Burnside Ave. We have a four acre commercial site available on Burnside Ave. for commercial or residential development.

Rentschler Field Development Company can maximize opportunities for businesses within the Rentschler Field Area. This area is zoned under a masterplan of development. Businesses conforming to the masterplan only require site plan approval to begin construction. Our Development Department staff can help your business be the next great thing that happens in East Hartford. Contact them at email abeckles@ehworks.com

The high-tech sector is the fastest growing segment of Connecticut's economy - and East Hartford's. We're wired for the 21st century with a fiber optic telecommunications hub that serves all of southern New England. Technology businesses that locate in East Hartford will be in good company with neighbors like United Technologies Research and Development Center, Advanced Fuel Research, Alert Scientific, Cardinal Health, Ciencia, Inc., Computer Sciences Corporation and Dur-a-Flex. Join Pratt and Whitney, a leader in aviation and technology innovation for over 80 years.

The Connecticut Center for Advanced Technology has a mission to lead innovation by working in partnership with industry, government and academia to develop new technologies. CCAT's incubator, the Connecticut Regional Innovation Center, has space for start-up and small technology-based companies, especially those seeking technologies for fuel cell, laser, nanomaterial, medical device or aerospace markets.

Housing choices abound. Experience luxury high-rise living at Riverpoint condominiums, historic homes from the 1700s through the Victorian era in many neighborhoods. Choose an affordable active adult community at Phillips Farm and Goodwin Village.

East Hartford sports an 18-hole public golf course and a riverfront walkway system with a boat launch on the Connecticut River. Recreation activities include many musical venues throughout the year such as the Podunk Bluegrass Festival and free summer concerts in the parks. Join us April 18

as UCONN begins with its Blue vs. White game FREE at Rentschler Stadium. Parking is open at 9 a.m. Come early, visit Cabela's across from the stadium, the stadium opens at 11 a.m. and the game begins at noon. Big East Games being played at Rentschler this season are Louisville, Rutgers, Syracuse and USF.

Goodwin College has constructed a \$38 million building on the Connecticut River. This six-story building includes 39 technologically advanced classrooms, six state of the art science labs, computer labs, a 700-seat auditorium, a student lounge, community rooms, a café, and a library and media center within its 107,000 s/f of construction. The Town of East Hartford has supported this development by making available EPA Brownfield Grants for Phase I and Phase II Environmental Site Assessments as well as a \$3 million grant from the Connecticut Development Authority to Goodwin for remediation and infrastructure funding.

Development staff serves individuals and businesses through our weekly Land Use Meetings, co-ordinated by the Economic Development Specialist, Aya Beckles. These meetings give people a chance to speak with all town departments that may require licenses, permits or other signoffs that govern the successful receipt of a Certificate of Occupancy for a business. East Hartford is a great place to grow your business, visit us at www.ehworks.com.

East Hartford is the place to be.

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