

Newhall Neighborhood Project Public Involvement Coordination Hamden, Connecticut



Description

Fitzgerald & Halliday, Inc. (FHI) was selected in 2003 by the Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) to assist the department in the design and implementation of its public involvement program for the Newhall Neighborhood in Hamden. The DEP is the lead agency in resolving issues arising from the discovery of contamination in the Newhall neighborhood. Over 300 homes, businesses, churches, public parks and a school were built over a landfill. The Newhall project is the largest remediation project in the State of Connecticut.

FHI's role is on-going coordination of public involvement activities while DEP oversees investigation and remediation of affected properties. FHI's responsibilities include planning, organizing and preparing visual materials for community meetings, moderating at public and committee meetings, writing newsletters, flyers and other publicity materials including the development of a DVD explaining how neighborhood cleanup will occur and how the health of people living in the area will be protected. Additionally, FHI has been responsible for meetings with stakeholders and committees, establishing a database and community repository for project documents, preparing summaries of technical documents in lay terms, and designing/maintaining a project website (www.newhallinfo.org).

Client

Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection

