Partners for Places Project Lessons Report

Project Name: *Transforming into a community greenspace*

- **Year Complete:** 2022
- **Local Government:** City of New Haven, CT
- **Local Foundation:** Community Foundation for Greater New Haven; Regional Water Authority Watershed Fund

**Project Purpose**

To transform an abandoned roadway, in an undeserved community, into a community greenspace with green infrastructure connecting an urban community to parkland and the river.

**Key Lessons Learned**

Partnering with local business, gives the communities the opportunity to learn about green jobs and make resiliency part of regular conversation.

Bringing projects to the community provides opportunities for meaningful engagement from a population that might not otherwise get involved.

The importance of meeting pandemic-related challenges is to be with flexibility, perseverance and creative problem solving on the part of all partners.

**Additional Information and Resources**