

## **Partners for Places Project Lessons Report**

Project Name: Growing Green Infrastructure Relationships in Newport, RI

• Year Complete: 2022

• Local Government: Newport, RI

• Local Foundations: van Beuren Charitable Foundation, Rhode Island Foundation, and Prince

Charitable Trusts (PTC)

## **Project Purpose**

To engage North End underserved residents in mitigating polluted neighborhood runoff and foster relationships between the City's Dept of Utilities and local funders.

## **Key Lessons Learned**

The project demonstrated that no matter what the obstacles in carrying out what was originally planned, if working as a team an alternative can be found.

Having constant communication is key when circumstances cause unavoidable delays. Communication with funders and local government kept the relationships going, even though the project extended well beyond the original grant period.

Communicating to the community that this was "Their" project created inclusivity and built trust.

## **Additional Information and Resources**

For more information about the project and ongoing work click <u>here</u>.