

From left to right: Curt Spalding, EPA Region 1 Administrator; Todd Andrews, Goodwin College; Robert Carr, Zuvic, Carr and Associates, Inc.; Bryant Harrell, Goodwin College

Goodwin College Receives 2012 EPA Environmental Merit Award for Riverside Campus in East Hartford, Connecticut

On April 25, 2012, at a ceremony in Faneuil Hall in Boston, Goodwin College received the 2012 Environmental Merit Award from the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for outstanding efforts in preserving New England's environment.

In 2005, Goodwin College announced dramatic plans to build a riverfront campus on former oil terminal sites along Riverside Drive in East Hartford. With the help of EPA and other agencies, Goodwin created a new campus community with educational, economic, and environmental benefits for the region and beyond. The effort involved demolishing more than 30 aboveground oil tanks and other defunct industrial installations before redeveloping a formerly unusable industrial area.

In 2008, the college opened the 109,000 square-foot academic center. A year later, Goodwin rolled out its Environmental Studies degree program, which took advantage of access to the river and undeveloped flood plains for study of river ecology. In 2010, the Connecticut River Academy, an environmentally-themed Magnet High School, also opened at the River Campus in a temporary space.

The River Campus has grown into a cultural and educational hub. More than 10,000 people commute to campus each week, providing customers for local businesses. Additional information can be found at: www.epa.gov/region1/ra/ema/2012recipients.html#environmental

Zuvic, Carr and Associates, Inc. has provided professional Environmental Engineering, Civil Engineering, Site Planning, and Land Surveying services for this project since 2005.