

Bethlehem Steel/Lehigh Valley Industrial Park



Bethlehem Steel Corporation, the company that bore its hometown's name, helped build America. But, when the company ceased operations at its Bethlehem site, it left behind the remnants of 140 years of steelmaking—buried building foundation, abandoned infrastructure lines, contaminated soil and groundwater.

However, this Northampton County site, the nation's largest privately owned brownfield property, is again alive with job-creating activities. Now known as Lehigh Valley Industrial Park, the environmental contamination has been remediated. The 1,000-acre site, just two years after receiving designation as a Brownfield Action Team project, is home to United States Cold Storage, a nationwide refrigeration company employing 90 people. Other businesses located here include Brandenburg Industrial Service Company, Foulk Warehousing, GPS Terminal Services, and Road and Rail Services. A 4,200-foot Commerce Center Boulevard is also open, along with a 100-acre intermodal facility. The intermodal facility will replace and modernize two existing truck-to-rail operations and open up additional land for future development.

Once redevelopment here is complete, 6,000 people are expected to be working at this site, which represents 20 percent of the city of Bethlehem's taxable land and the region's single most important economic development project.



“United States Cold Storage locating in LVIP VII has given us the opportunity to capitalize on an excellent location along with contributing to the revitalization of Bethlehem. Brownfield projects such as these are a true “win-win” for the environment and the business community.”

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