

new birmingham

project

South Side Riverfront Development

neighborhood

South Side

grant amount

\$10,000

grant year

1994

community organization

South Side Local Development Company

architect

Perkins Eastman Architects

project type

new housing



New Birmingham townhomes.

New Birmingham, located in the South Side, is the second phase of the South Side Riverfront Redevelopment Project, a joint effort between the South Side Local Development Company (SSLDC) and the Urban Redevelopment Authority (URA) to reuse a former industrial site along the waterfront as a development site for new housing.

The SSLDC approached the CDCP in 1996 for assistance in developing new housing with a focus on sustainability. They were looking to increase housing options in a neighborhood experiencing growth and redevelopment, and to do so in a way that respected the existing neighborhood and provided residents with high quality of life.

New Birmingham is in a prime Pittsburgh locale situated near many public amenities. The housing is geared towards first-time homebuyers, and consists of 32 townhouse units. Units vary in price range and by amenity, to suit the tenant's needs. Each of the spaces is meant to be flexible and customizable in regard to light, open area, and ceiling heights. Energy-efficiency was a major consideration in unit design. Additionally, special attention was given to the surrounding green space, such that each tenant has a patio with a well-cared-for yard.



Another view of New Birmingham townhomes.