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CCI collaborates with 12 communities that are facing substantial environmental challenges, including pollution and contaminated sites, which affect public health and quality of life. By focusing on these areas, the NJDEP seeks to foster cleaner, safer, and healthier environments for all residents.

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CCI works with 12 communities:

- Bayonne
- Bridgeton
- Camden
- Jersey City
- Millville
- Newark
- Paterson
- Paulsboro
- Perth Amboy
- Trenton
- Vineland
- Salem

What is a CCI Liaison?

CCI liaisons work directly with local governments and communities to:

- Find solutions for environmental problems
- Connects towns to funding
- Gives technical assistance
- Develop and direct plans of actions

Liaisons also monitor the progress of these projects and make sure they have long-lasting, positive impacts.

Vincent Caliguire



CCI Manager

- Expertise in government, environmental, and business disciplines
- Hopes to continue the good work of CCI with his team and develop other dynamics where CCI can be a partner in solving issues in New Jersey's most challenging areas.
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What is CCI?

The Community Collaborative Initiative (CCI) is a partnership between the NJDEP, local governments, and community leaders to transform overburdened communities into sustainable and economically thriving areas by addressing environmental issues like brownfields. CCI started in Camden, turning contaminated and unused spaces into community assets through collaboration and grassroots efforts, and has since expanded to 12 cities across New Jersey. By working closely with local partners, CCI helps communities clean up environmental hazards, boost economic development, and revitalize neighborhoods.



Program Initiatives

The Community Collaborative Initiative includes programs like improving urban parks, enhancing water quality through stormwater management projects, and promoting the cleaning up of brownfield sites. They also assist communities in finding funding and grants for environmental projects, focusing on air quality monitoring and lead remediation in older buildings. Recently, high-tech surveillance has been introduced to monitor and deter illegal dumping, enhancing efforts to address this environmental issue.

Mission

CCI is a partnership between state and local governments and community groups focused on promoting sustainable, resilient development in Environmental Justice communities. CCI works alongside local leaders to revitalize neighborhoods, foster equitable economic growth, and enhance public health outcomes. By leveraging state resources and collaborating with community members, CCI ensures the state's best talents are engaged in local progress. Together, these efforts support the Governor's mission to build a more vibrant, equitable, and resilient New Jersey.

