

New Jersey

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Partnership Pays off for Paulsboro

The Borough of Paulsboro is a small blue collar community located on the Delaware River. For several years, the homeowners on Thomson Avenue have had to cope with blockages, sewer back-ups, and a deteriorating street brought on by an aging water and sewer system.

In 2017, USDA Rural Development joined forces with the New Jersey Infrastructure Bank to help the Borough make the necessary improvements to their systems. USDA Rural Development provided a loan for \$2.6 million and a grant for \$1.6 million through our Water & Environmental Program along with a \$2.89 million loan from the New Jersey Infrastructure Bank.

The entire project included removal of the existing main and replacing it with a 12-inch diameter water main. The sewer portion entailed rehabilitating the existing pipe with a new liner and performing repairs where needed. After construction, the street was repaved and restriping was completed.

State Director Michael Thulen, Jr. said, "These infrastructure improvements to the Paulsboro water and sanitary system will help meet the needs of the Borough into the future and will maximize water efficiency".

This partnership between Federal and State government have the residents on Thomson Avenue smiling and sleeping a little easier knowing their flooding issues have been resolved and the street has been restored, letting them take pride in their street again.





Thomson Avenue After and Before looking North

Obligation Amount: \$2,585,000 loan - \$1,542,000 grant

Date of Obligation: 8/4/2017

Congressional District: Donald Norcross—1st

Partners: New Jersey Infrastructure Bank

Demographics: Gloucester County