

99 Forest Street, Bridgeport



Credit: Douglas Royalty

The SHPO awarded Hurricane Sandy disaster relief funds to a private homeowner for repairs to a townhouse at Seaside Village in Bridgeport's South End. The project involved replacement of a sump pump, installation of a backup pump, and relocation of the power supplies.

This two-story brick townhouse is one of 257 homes built by the federal government in 1918–19 in response to the housing shortage brought on by the expansion of Bridgeport's munitions plants during World War I. The design and construction of Seaside Village, an early collaborative effort among architects, city planners, and landscape designers, set a high standard for middle-class worker housing. (Originally rentals, the complex is now an owner-occupied cooperative.) The building is a contributing structure in the National Register-listed Seaside Village Historic District, which is significant for architecture, community planning, and social history.