



# Camden Prison



OWNER | New Jersey Economic Development Authority  
 LOCATION | Camden, New Jersey  
 FACILITY TYPE | Correctional facility

## PROJECT BACKGROUND

The Riverfront State Prison was built in 1985 along the Delaware River in Camden, NJ adjacent to the Benjamin Franklin Bridge. The prison contained 400 cells and housed more than 1,000 inmates at its peak. Not long after the prison was built, the land along the Delaware River front became prime real estate for development and the 16-acre site that the facility resided was one of the most targeted areas remaining. The parcel of land sits directly across the river from the city of Philadelphia, and offered spectacular views of the city. In an effort to revitalize Camden, the decision was made to demolish the prison and turn it over for future development.



Brandenburg was contracted to perform the environmental remediation, demolition, and site preparation of the entire prison facility. Brandenburg removed all of the environmental hazards including the asbestos-containing material. Demolition of the 200,000 square foot facility consisted of several buildings including one long four-story building, administrative building, cell blocks, and perimeter guard towers. The project was featured on the History Channel as part of the Break It Down series.



## SCOPE OF WORK

- Identified and performed utility disconnects and reroutes
- Removed all asbestos-containing material
- Removed, packaged, transported, and disposed of all universal waste
- Removed all above-grade structures and concrete floor slabs
- Removed underground tunnel system
- Removed above ground and underground storage tanks
- Removed perimeter razor wire fencing
- Processed clean concrete onsite to be used as backfill
- Segregated, recycled, and disposal of all material
- Performed final site grading and seeding

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