

Celebrating 25 Years

Utah Barrel and Scrap VCP Site

Artspace, a non-profit organization dedicated to creating affordable living and work space for artists and non-profit organizations, purchased the former Utah Barrel and Scrap site in November 2007. As part of the cleanup, about 10,000 tons of impacted soil was removed from the site and disposed of at a regulated facility. Groundwater was also addressed. After an environmental covenant was executed by the Utah Department of Environmental Quality's Division of Environmental Response and Remediation, a Certificate of Completion was issued to Artspace in May 2009 for the successful cleanup of the Utah Barrel and Scrap site. Artspace opened its doors as a mixed commercial and residential development in September 2010.

Since that time, Artspace reports that the building has a 99.7% lease rate, including 132 residential units and 67 commercial spaces. Artspace has since added a community garden with solar panel arrays, generating 350 kilowatts of electricity for the property. Artspace also incorporated Gold Leadership in Energy and Environment Design (LEED) green building practices and the facility has a designated Energy Star qualification.

The redevelopment of this former Brownfield incorporated environmental cleanup and green building designs, which clearly show that multiple environmental programs can work together to protect human health and the environment and enhance economic development opportunities.



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