Application Summary Sheet

Name of Organization: City of Central Falls

Type of Organization: Municipality

Location: Central Falls

Project Timing:

Project Title: Central Falls Landing: Site Visioning and Conceptual Design for the American Supply Company Mill and 1420 Broad St.

Project Synopsis: The City of Central Falls has recently reacquired the Central Falls Landing, an important gateway into the City at the intersection of commercial Broad St and the historic Blackstone River. The property contains the American Supply Company Mill, a roughly 10,000 SF, three story wood-framed building currently vacant and in need of renovation. Additionally the site’s deck and docks serve as one of the only public access points and boat launches onto the Blackstone River. Having acquired this important property, the City hopes to issue an RFP for private redevelopment of the site as a regional attraction that takes advantage of its unique waterfront location.

For this project, RWU students will aid in the drafting of information and visuals to be utilized in the RFP. Students may be tasked with the following: create conceptual design drawings for the site and mill, create graphics and site plans to illustrate the unique assets of the site, perform market research and financial analysis to determine what kinds of programmatic uses might realistically work at the site and what sorts of businesses and/or developers should be targeted, research history of the site, perform preliminary structural assessment of the building and estimate a high-end and low-end project budget.

Designated Support from Staff/Volunteers:

Does this Project have Funding?

How will this Project Benefit the Organization? The purpose of this Memo is to formally request on behalf of the City of Central Falls Office of Planning and Economic Development that the most at-need community in the State of Rhode Island, the City of Central Falls, be considered for adoption as a Community Partnership Center partnership community. Under such a partnership, the RIEDC and the CPC along with the City would jointly facilitate RWU student-led small business support projects and other community revitalization efforts in the City of Central Falls.

Why are you Seeking the CPC’s Help? RIEDC Partnership

Possible Participating RWU Disciplines: It is imagined that various RWU Programs will be involved, including Architecture, Business, Community Development, Construction Management, Engineering, Finance, and Historic Preservation Programs.