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Mississippi Brownfield Projects incentivize growth



Community Counseling
Services



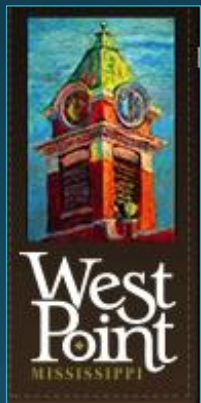
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Who we are



PM Environmental

PM Environmental has over 20 years of experience in consulting and managing a wide variety of environmental, engineering, industrial hygiene, energy and development projects. PM specializes in Economic Development Incentive/Brownfield Consulting.



City of West Point, Mississippi

West Point, Mississippi offers a variety of recreational pursuits and was named one of the "Top 100 Small Towns in America".



Community Counseling Services

The Community Counseling Services' goal is to provide quality, affordable, consumer-oriented, comprehensive behavioral health services.

Mary Holmes School, West Point, MS

Property:

- Established in 1892 for the **exclusive education of African American women**
- Campus is situated on the west side of the City's downtown and encompasses approximately 186 acres.
- Mary Holmes campus houses a library, office, former dormitories, former administration building, gym, a cafeteria, and a chapel.
- West Point had been hard hit by the economic downturn and municipal resources were scarce. Without funds for upkeep, **the property had been vacant since 2005.**



Mary Holmes School, West Point, MS

Property:

- Mary Holmes was a **prominent cultural gathering place** in the heart of West Point. After the campus closed over a decade ago, many **residents were heartbroken** as they watched the buildings sit vacant and in disrepair.



Mary Holmes School, West Point, MS

Challenge:

- The administration building was in a state of disrepair. It is unsalvageable, and is currently viewed as a safety hazard.
- Asbestos Containing Materials (ACMs) were identified that required extensive abatement prior to demolition. Many of the ACMs identified were **friable**, meaning it **posed a threat to anyone trespasses on the property.**



Mary Holmes School, West Point, MS

Challenge:

- Additionally, the chemical inventory conducted on the Administration Building **identified chemicals located in storage closets and in the former chemistry and biology laboratory classrooms that needed to be disposed of.**
- **Lead based paint (LBP) and chemicals found on property could cause future contamination** if they were disturbed or came into contact with the soil or groundwater.



Mary Holmes School, West Point, MS

Plans & Solutions:

- Community Counseling Services purchased the 186-acre campus in 2008 and is currently utilizing a portion of the property to house its administrative offices.
 - Through working with the City, CCS plans to build playgrounds, incorporate open space parks/greenspace, and utilize two ponds on the property for recreational fishing.
 - Additionally, vacant office space on the property is anticipated to be filled by Yokohama Tire Corporation as a Saturday School .



Mary Holmes School, West Point, MS

Plans & Solutions:

- **PM Environmental submitted successful cleanup grant for \$200,000**, and will conduct asbestos abatement and remove chemicals. This was the **first cleanup grant to be awarded in Mississippi** since the inception of the EPA Brownfield Grant Program in 1995.
 - The cleanup plan includes demolition and contaminant removal and disposal. Safe removal for disposal of all inventoried chemicals and complete abatement and removal of ACM and lead based paint (LBP), in accordance with regulations, will reduce the human health risk.







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