

ACCESSIBILITY + SERVICES

The Town of Westerly knows accessibility is a key component of commerce and economic vitality. For your business to succeed, you need to have the reliability of an infrastructure network that efficiently and securely connects you to your customers, your suppliers and your partners of both today and tomorrow.

GEOGRAPHIC PROXIMITY

Beyond our beautiful shoreline, Westerly's location is an even higher-value asset because of our placement within one of the most densely-populated and highly-connected regions of the world. While benefitting significantly from our overlapping inclusion in both Rhode Island and southeastern Connecticut, Westerly also sits at the juncture of two of the country's largest and most-influential regional markets – Boston and New York.

TRANSPORTATION

The benefit of our place in the northeast is that people and goods are close by, which makes it easier to find suppliers and grow your clientele.

431,621
people live within 25 miles

National Association of Railroad Passengers, 2016

Travel is supported locally by a multi-modal system which includes 219.7 miles of paved roads, 296.1 miles of paved sidewalks, direct Amtrak Northeast Regional service and a state airport providing daily flights to Block Island. Many of our commercial centers are highly-walkable because of their historic development and future commuter rail service remains in discussion. Just beyond our municipal borders, Westerly is further served by three Interstate 95 exits and nearby facilities including the InterLink and T. F. Green Airport

(Warwick, Rhode Island), Union Station (New London, Connecticut), and Wickford Junction (North Kingstown, Rhode Island).

UTILITIES + COLLECTION SERVICES

Water and sewer services are publicly available in many areas of town and maintenance activities are undertaken continually. Recent improvements have included the replacement of 2,555 feet of water mains and the purchase of a high-velocity jet truck. The Town also operates a transfer station for solid waste disposal and recycling.

Municipal Sewer Lines



Rhode Island Geographic Information System, 2012

Other utilities, including natural gas, electricity and broadband services, are available through private companies.

EMERGENCY SERVICES

Westerly Police Department consists of 50 sworn officers and 14 supporting staff members. Four fire departments and the Westerly Ambulance Corps. also operate within our town and all organizations work closely together. An update to the local dispatch center was recently completed to better ensure emergency responses are timely and appropriate.