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SUPPLEMENTARY LISTING RECORD

NRIS Reference Number: 90001429 **Date Listed:** 09/26/90

Gateway Village Historic District	Fairfield	CT
Property Name	**County**	**State**

Wartime Emergency Housing in Bridgeport MPS
Multiple Name

This property is listed in the National Register of Historic Places in accordance with the attached nomination documentation subject to the following exceptions, exclusions, or amendments, notwithstanding the National Park Service certification included in the nomination documentation.

for Beth L. Savage
Signature of the Keeper

9/26/90
Date of Action

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Amended Items in Nomination:

10. Geographical Data: Acreage

The accurate acreage is 4.5.

This information has been confirmed with John Herzan, National Register Coordinator, CTSHPO, by telephone.

DISTRIBUTION:
National Register property file
Nominating Authority (without attachment)

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National Register of Historic Places Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations of eligibility for individual properties or districts. See instructions in *Guidelines for Completing National Register Forms* (National Register Bulletin 16). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the requested information. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, styles, materials, and areas of significance, enter only the categories and subcategories listed in the instructions. For additional space use continuation sheets (Form 10-900a). Type all entries.

1. Name of Property

Gateway Village Historic District (use for publication)

historic name Gateway Village

other names/site number Connecticut Development

Wartime Emergency Housing in Bridgeport, 1916 - 1920 (Multiple Property Form)

2. Location

street & number See Continuation Sheet ☐ not for publication N/A

city, town Bridgeport ☐ vicinity

state Connecticut code CT county Fairfield code 001 zip code 06610

3. Classification

Ownership of Property	Category of Property	Number of Resources within Property	
		Contributing	Noncontributing
[X] private	☐ building(s)	87	0 buildings
☐ public-local	[X] district		sites
☐ public-State	☐ site		structures
☐ public-Federal	☐ structure		objects
	☐ object	87	0 Total

Name of related multiple property listing:
Wartime Emergency Housing in Bridgeport

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register 0

4. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, I hereby certify that this [X] nomination ☐ request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property [X] meets ☐ does not meet the National Register criteria. ☐ See continuation sheet.

Signature of certifying official John W. Shannahan, State Historic Preservation Officer — Date 8/9/90

State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property ☐ meets ☐ does not meet the National Register criteria. ☐ See continuation sheet.

Signature of commenting or other official — Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

5. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby, certify that this property is:

[✓] entered in the National Register. ☐ See continuation sheet. — Bobby L. Savage — 9-26-90

☐ determined eligible for the National Register. ☐ See continuation sheet.

☐ determined not eligible for the National Register.

☐ removed from the National Register.

☐ other, (explain:)

Signature of the Keeper — Date of Action

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions (enter categories from instructions)	Current Functions (enter categories from instructions)
Domestic/multiple dwelling	Domestic/multiple dwelling

7. Description

Architectural Classification (enter categories from instructions)	Materials (enter categories from instructions)
~~Late 19th and 20th Century Revivals:~~	foundation Brick
Tudor Revival	walls Brick
	roof Slate
	other

Describe present and historic physical appearance.

Gateway Village is one of the first housing projects built by the locally organized and financed Bridgeport Housing Company. Located near the eastern boundary of the city and bounded on the east by Waterman Street, on the north by Connecticut Avenue, and on the west and south by the rear yards of the buildings on Alanson Road, Gateway Village is a tight residential complex in a mixed-use residential/commercial area of Bridgeport.

This picturesque Tudor Revival complex consists of blocks of varying sizes containing 87 one-family and two-family rowhouses facing three mature tree-lined streets. Five of the buildings enclose a spacious interior courtyard/garden entered via arched passageways (Photographs 1 and 2) included as part of the design of two of the blocks, while four buildings face and define a "general court" along Alanson Road. All of the buildings are two-and-one-half-stories high, are of brick construction with brick sills and pointed-arched lintels, and terminate with slate shed roofs with numerous cross gables. The main facades are punctuated by either paired gable arches articulated with long narrow windows and single gabled arches containing a single Tudor-arched window, or single gables containing a single 6/6 Tudor-arched window. The first and second stories are surfaced with six-course American bond brick with flush soldier heads. The paired gable ends are surfaced with American bond brick with evenly spaced projecting headers (Photographs 1, 2 and 3). Low three-step stoops lead to multi-paned wooden doors which provide access to each individual unit; some entries are topped by bracketed shed-roofed hoods, some by pointed-arched hoods and others are plain. All windows have double-hung 6/1 sash with simple surrounds and occur singly, in pair, and triple configurations. At the rear of each block, double-height wood gallery porches serve each dwelling unit (Photograph 4). The two storefronts at one of the Alanson Road blocks have been sympathetically bricked in and converted to residential use.

Gateway Village survives with a high degree of integrity.

☐ See continuation sheet

Gateway Village Inclusive Address List

4 - 92 through 63 -91 Alanson Road
968 - 988 through 1036 - 1064 Connecticut Avenue
81 - 117 through 67 - 69 Waterman Street

Gateway Village is owned by :
Bridgeport Gateway Apartments, Inc.
c/o Donadeo Management
35 Kings Highway
Fairfield, CT 06430

This complex has more than 50 properties.

8. Statement of Significance

Certifying official has considered the significance of this property in relation to other properties:

[X] nationally [X] statewide [ ] locally

Applicable National Register Criteria [X] A [ ] B [X] C [ ] D

Criteria Considerations (Exceptions) [ ] A [ ] B [ ] C [ ] D [ ] E [ ] F [ ] G

Areas of Significance (enter categories from instructions)	Period of Significance	Significant Dates
Community Planning and Development	1916 - 1920	1916 - 1920
Architecture		
Social History		

Cultural Affiliation
N/A

Significant Person
N/A

Architect/Builder
Mead and Schenck

State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above.

Gateway Village, known as the Connecticut Development when built, is significant as one of the first developments of the locally organized and capitalized Bridgeport Housing Company, providing housing for war workers in such nearby factories as the Bridgeport Projectile Company. It is a successful example of a consciously conceived, planned, and executed model housing possessing a distinct urban character and incorporating middle-class housing sensibilities as an inducement to keep the workers in Bridgeport. It is important too as an early example of housing development that embodies both English Garden City precepts and American Garden Suburb tenets. Its sense of place, derived from its internally oriented site plan, cohesiveness of site plan, materials, scale, proportion, and design sets it apart from its immediate urban context. It is one of few surviving examples of the work of the architectural firm of Mead & Schenck, the earliest known partnership of women architects in New York City. It is, of course, also significant for its association with Bridgeport's most intense period of prosperity and growth during World War I, as housing for workers engaged in defense-related industry.

[ ] See continuation sheet

9. Major Bibliographical References

See National Register of Historic Places Multiple Property Documentation Form (Wartime Emergency Housing in Bridgeport, 1916 - 1920)

☐ See continuation sheet

Previous documentation on file (NPS): N/A

- ☐ preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested
- ☐ previously listed in the National Register
- ☐ previously determined eligible by the National Register
- ☐ designated a National Historic Landmark
- ☐ recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # _____
- ☐ recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # _____

Primary location of additional data:

- ☐ State historic preservation office
- ☐ Other State agency
- ☐ Federal agency
- ☐ Local government
- ☐ University
- ☐ Other

Specify repository: _____

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of property ~~Less than 9 acres~~

UTM References

	Zone	Easting	Northing
A	18	648940	4557535
B			
C			
D			

☐ See continuation sheet

Verbal Boundary Description

See Figure #1 (Map)

☐ See continuation sheet

Boundary Justification

☒ See continuation sheet

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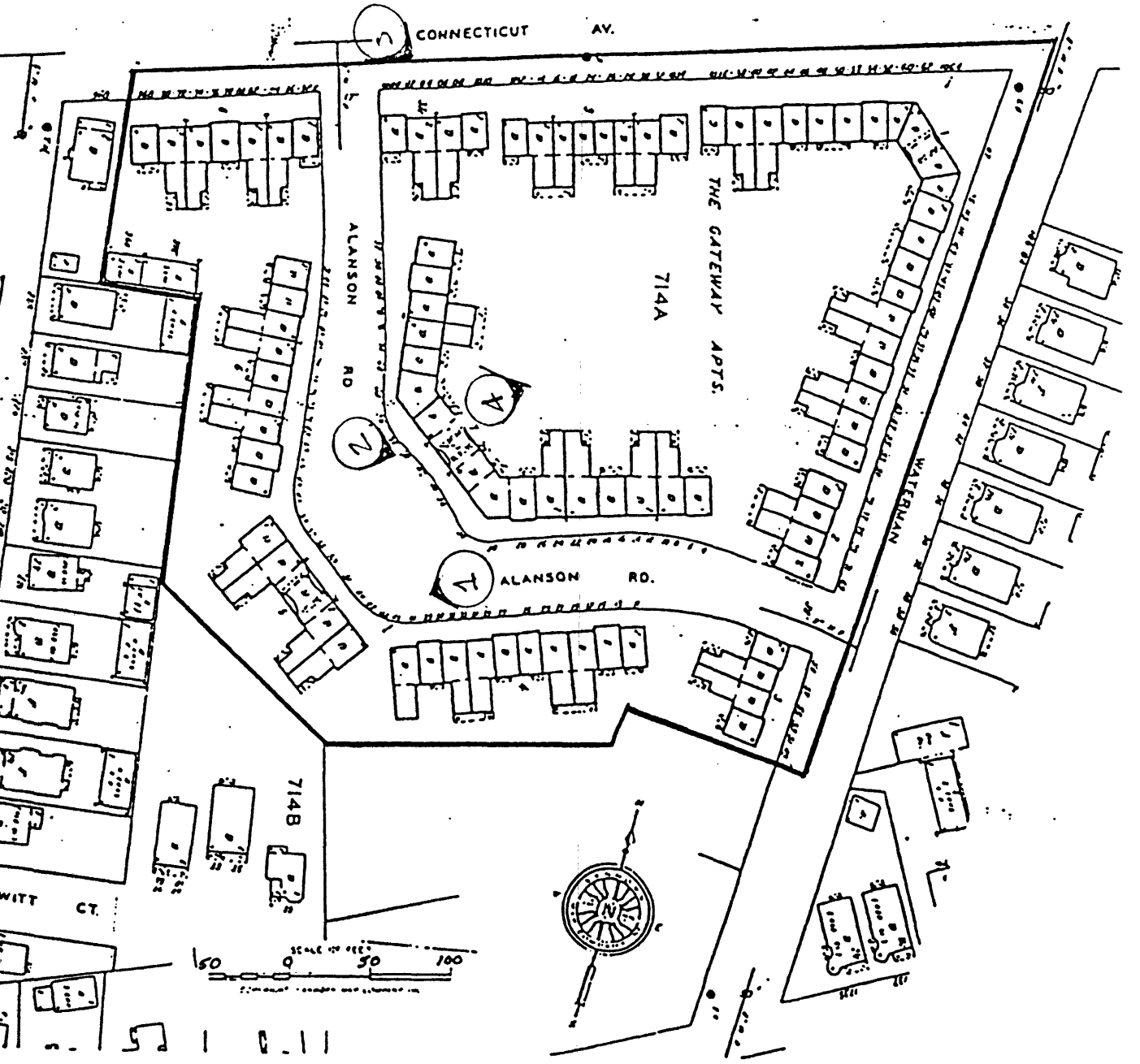
Figure # 1
Gateway Village
Photo Key and Boundary Map



REMINGTON CITY
± 18 ACRES

	EASTING	NORTHING
A	18/653780	4562360
B	18/653690	4562040
C	18/653860	4562000
D	18/653900	4562080
E	18/653920	4562070
F	18/653960	4562180
G	18/653910	4562200
H	18/653960	4562280

REMINGTON VILLAGE
± 14 ACRES

	EASTING	NORTHING
A	18/654600	4561260
B	18/654580	4561640
C	18/654540	4561660
D	18/654530	4561620
E	18/654500	4561600
F	18/654480	4561480
G	18/654450	4561480
H	18/654450	4561220

WILMOT APTS

EASTING	NORTHING
18/654140	4560480

± 5 ACRES

GATEWAY VILLAGE
± 4 ACRES

EASTING	NORTHING
18/654480	4560460