

## WELCOME TO THE CAMDEN NEWSDROP! - December 2023

Please enjoy the latest edition of the Camden NewsDrop, a quarterly recap of news and events from around One Water Street and Camden, NJ.

### Five Years on the Camden Waterfront

American Water celebrates five years since relocating its national headquarters to the Camden, N.J. waterfront in 2018. American Water has a long-standing partnership with the City of Camden that dates back to the 19th century and that strong relationship continues to this day. New Jersey American Water serves the Cramer Hill and East Camden sections of Camden, while American Water Contract Services operates and maintains the water supply and distribution assets in the remaining parts of the city. Moving to the new headquarters allowed American Water employees, including scientists, experts in technology and innovation, engineers, and operations, to work together under one roof to provide solutions addressing water and wastewater challenges, provides a conducive environment for better collaboration, which ultimately allows the company to constantly improve service to its customers.

In recognition of its 5-year anniversary, the American Water Charitable Foundation provided a combined total of \$25,000 in One Water Street grants to five of American Water's longstanding Camden community partners: Camden Special Services District, Cathedral Kitchen, the Center for Aquatic Sciences, Hopeworks and Lucy Outreach.

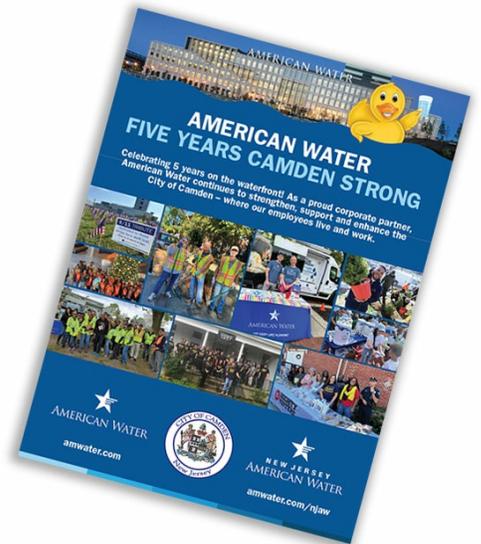
Since 2018, American Water, New Jersey American Water and the American Water Charitable Foundation have collectively contributed nearly \$5 million and provided approximately 3,000 employee volunteer hours to support the Camden community and its organizations.

[Click here](#) to read the full press release.

### “On-Water Learning” - American Water Charitable Foundation and New Jersey American Water Partner with Upstream Alliance

Taking the classroom to the Delaware River! The American Water Charitable Foundation, in collaboration with New Jersey American Water, were proud to award \$250,000 through the Foundation's Water and Environmental Grant Program to Upstream Alliance to support a Solar-Electric Education Vessel. In this unique, on-the-water experience, students from the City of Camden will be able to learn about local waterways, water quality and more on this floating classroom.

Efforts like this support Upstream Alliance's dedication to connecting people to nature and inspiring future conservation leaders. Read more [here](#).





## American Water Celebrates National STEM Day with the Camden City School District

In celebration of National STEM Day, American Water and the American Water Charitable Foundation were proud to partner with the Camden City School District to host a STEM workshop at Eastside High School. American Water employee volunteers spent their day showcasing how STEM is used in the water and wastewater industry. Students had the opportunity to participate in some exciting hands-on experiences using 3D printers, drones and VR/AR training equipment.

Over the past five years, the STEM Education resources were made possible by a \$200,000 grant from the American Water Charitable Foundation. "National STEM Day serves as a great reminder and chance for American Water and the Foundation to engage and support student learning and explore STEM-related careers," said Carrie Williams, President, American Water Charitable Foundation.

[Click here](#) for more info.



## American Water's Month of Service - AmeriCANS in Action!

In September, American Water employees jumped into action for it's month of service. Giving back to the communities that it serves is a vital aspect of American Water's character. While company employees volunteer countless hours of service throughout the year, September is the one month when they lead or take part in additional efforts in the communities across the company's national footprint.

In Camden, American Water employees were proud to participate in numerous projects throughout the city. Volunteers helped clean up Camden neighborhoods, participated in garden rehabs, filled 200 'to-go' bags to support individuals who may be dealing with domestic violence and so much more.

[Click here](#) to learn more.



## Talking Business! American Water Hosts Students from Rutgers Camden School of Business

American Water was proud to host students from Rutgers-Camden School of Business at its headquarters. For over three years, students from Rutgers-Camden have been invited to meet water-industry professionals and gain insights into the many functions within American Water. Students learned about accounting, investor relations, the American Water Charitable Foundation, and human resources, as well as essential resume tips and key interview skills.

American Water is proud to work with the Camden community and have the opportunity to inspire and make a positive impact on the next generation of professional water and wastewater industry leaders.



**Wrapping Up the Year with Holiday Cheer!**

For the fifth year in a row, American Water was proud to host the Camden Special Services District (CSSD) this holiday season! CSSD, also known as the “Yellow-Jacket” crew, provides a welcoming community through enhanced cleaning, safety and hospitality services in the City of Camden. American Water employees collected and wrapped over 300 toys for the CSSD families. In addition, the company invited the CSSD ambassadors and their families for a holiday dinner at its headquarters.



Additionally, in the spirit of giving and supporting local businesses and organizations, American Water was also proud to host its first supplier diversity holiday showcase, where the company invited local businesses to promote their products and services with employees at its headquarters. Employees had the chance to try some sweet treats from Nuance Café, try out relaxing massages from Belliards, and learn about exciting overnight and winter/summer camp programs offered by the Center for Aquatic Sciences.

*Wishing you a Happy and Safe Holiday Season!*



