



## Waterville Main Street Historic District

Waterville, Maine

*National Register Nomination*

Sutherland Conservation & Consulting researched and wrote the Waterville Main Street National Register Historic District in 2012. The downtown district is significant for its varied architecture demonstrating changes and developments in construction and design during the nineteenth and twentieth centuries. The district contains 25 contributing resources.

The earliest building in the district is Ticonic Row, constructed in 1836 in the Greek Revival Style. Examples of Italianate, High-Style Victorian, and Modern architecture all demonstrate the typical progression of architectural design in a downtown area.

The Main Street Historic District is also significant for its contributions to commerce and entertainment and recreation. With manufacturing mills and residential neighborhoods nearby, Main Street thrived as the hub of Waterville. The City Hall building contains an opera house, offering entertainment by way of live shows and motion pictures.

Today, the buildings of the Waterville Main Street Historic District document Waterville's history as a commercial and entertainment hub in Central Maine and demonstrate a common pattern of growth in Maine downtowns, it retains a high degree of integrity.

