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CITY CENTER SELF STORAGE RECEIVES \$5,000 GRANT

(PITTSBURGH) December 27th, 2012 –<u>City Center Self Storage</u>, a newly opened self-storage facility <u>directly across the river from Downtown on Pittsburgh's South Side</u>, was awarded a **\$5,000** grant under Mayor Luke Ravenstahl's Storefront Renovation Program.

The grant helped the City Center Self Storage team fund the conversion of an old warehouse bay on the ground floor of <u>River Walk Corporate Centre</u> into the storefront for their business. The construction project lasted through the fall and was completed just before Thanksgiving.



<u>Mayor Luke Ravenstahl's Storefront Renovation Program</u>, administered by the Urban Redevelopment Authority, is designed to improve the physical appearance of commercial storefronts in Pittsburgh's neighborhoods. It provides a grant of 50% of the costs for storefront renovation on the first \$10,000 of expense.

"As an entrepreneur putting together a new Pittsburgh self-storage business, the grant money under the Storefront Renovation Program was a great find and provided a boost to our construction efforts", said Nick Lackner, Founder and General Manager of City Center Self Storage. "It allowed us to enhance the appeal of our storefront before we opened for business. Almost every part of our construction was done by people local to Pittsburgh so the extra money the grant provided us has gone right back into the community. The URA has been a great partner and we look forward to working with them again."

The team at City Center Self Storage has blog posts on their website detailing <u>how they came across the</u> <u>grant money</u> and later <u>reflecting on how it helped them build a great Pittsburgh storage facility</u>. The entire construction project can be seen in four minutes <u>in this web video</u>.

About City Center Self Storage

<u>City Center Self Storage</u> is the only self-storage facility in the greater Downtown Pittsburgh area. Originally built in 1906 as the Pittsburgh Terminal Warehouse, our building was designed from the ground up for storage. We have converted the original large warehouse bays into modern self-storage lockers. Our facility is <u>100% climate controlled</u> and has <u>three layers of security</u>. We have ample, free parking and a shared work lounge on site with free Wi-Fi and free coffee. We are dedicated to providing our clients with a great Pittsburgh storage experience.