

Love Canal

Today the area, is protected by the EPA and is working towards being a safe environment once again.

From 1974-1978 More than half of the children born to parents living near the area, were born with birth defects.

In 1953, 22,000 tons of waste was buried under the site. 22,000 tons is equal to the eight of 2-3 elephants!

In 1891, William T Love envisioned a Utopian metropolis with homes and business

2012

1978

1974

1955

1953

1920

1891

In 1978, the area was evacuated and condemned. Hundreds of families were removed from their homes and moved into a new environment.

In 1955, a school was built on top of the land. As time went on weathering and rain caused for the chemicals to come back to the surface. Contamination from the chemicals caused for burns, birth defects, and environmental decay.

By 1920, the land was being used as a chemical waste dump, creating a body of waste equal to the length of 9 Olympic swimming pools!

