



473-477 State St. Springfield's Historic Gunn Block

DevelopSpringfield has begun rehabilitation of the vacant Gunn Block building at 473-477 State Street to rescue this historic landmark, reduce blight, and stimulate private investment.



Space for Lease

- The Gunn Block has 6,000 square feet of commercial space that will be rehabbed to suit. Ground floor ideal for restaurant/cafe.
- Located on a highly visible corner on heavily travelled State Street across from Springfield Technical Community College and the Technology Park with ample parking.
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The Gunn Block was built circa 1830 and is thought to be the city's oldest commercial building. The building is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and is significant



both for its historic commercial role in the city as well as for its architecture. It is one of very few masonry blocks remaining from the 19th century. The Gunn block was built to house Elisha Gunn's trade in "West Indies Goods" and the third floor contained a large meeting hall that was once used by the Hampden Lodge of Free Masons and by the Armory workers.