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HUD Anti-Graffiti Project



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Removal of graffiti from a brick wall coated with an anti-graffiti paint. This coating was applied to about 200 similar HUD-financed homes in an eastern city.

The anti-graffiti coating applied to the brick walls of these HUD-financed houses proved to be a source of frustration for local graffiti artists. Prior to using this coating, the local maintenance personnel had been combatting graffiti for 8 years. Their objective when searching for a system was to find a coating that would have a 10 year life while withstanding the harsh solvents or chemicals which may need to be used in the process of removing the graffiti.

After testing numerous systems the city decided on a system provided by **Coatings For Industry, Inc.** of Souderton, PA. This system consists of **Urethabond 104**, an aluminum pigmented, moisture-cured urethane primer to prime the surface and cover the old graffiti and **Urethabond 111**, a two-component aliphatic polyurethane to provide the desired color, high gloss, and resistance to graffiti.

With the freshly painted surface acting as a blank canvas to the local graffiti artists, they soon went to work defacing the property. "The high-gloss, urethane coated surface continued to look as it did the day it was painted, with no surface distortion and no color change," said the project's maintenance foreman. "After the defacers saw their artistry wiped away a second time, they became discouraged and disenchanted and almost completely stopped their writings," he added.

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