

Nationwide Technical Assistance for Brownfields RLF Programs

Upcoming solicitation expected November 2022. Grant award expected Spring 2023.

EPA intends to award **one \$1 million grant** to provide technical assistance support to RLF Grantees. The period of performance will be **5 years**.

Nationwide Technical Assistance for Brownfields RLF Program Goals

1. Help communities that have not previously engaged in brownfields projects to gain an understanding of requirements for managing a successful RLF program, and
2. Provide support to enhance capacity under both open Revolving Loan Funds and those that have closed and are operating under a Closeout Agreement.

Activities

- Capacity building activities (including outreach, training and sharing relevant informational materials)
- Peer networking
- Direct technical assistance to prospective and existing Brownfields RLF grantees.



Example activities may include:

- Provide technical assistance when questions arise amongst prospective and existing grantees, particularly in the areas of **marketing strategies** and **financial management** (e.g., discounted loans, loan loss guarantee, proper collateral, types of loan strategies, etc.). Other areas:
 - How to begin building an RLF Program (e.g., short-term, mid-term, and long-term steps)
 - Site cleanup process overview and the grantee's role
 - How funds can be used under an open grant and under a Closeout Agreement
 - How to keep an RLF Program going after the Closeout Agreement is active
- Provide training to enhance RLF capacity
- Exchange ideas through peer-to-peer/ community of practice
- Facilitate meetings amongst RLF grantees and local meetings amongst brownfield stakeholders
- Prepare fact sheets, templates, and other documents, and develop a toolbox of resources

EPA intends to solicit applications for five new grant opportunities:

National Technical Assistance Opportunities:

1. [Nationwide Technical Assistance for Brownfields RLF Programs \(Focus of this flyer\)](#)
2. [Nationwide Technical Assistance to Nonprofits Seeking to Reuse Brownfields](#)
3. [Nationwide Technical Assistance to Local Government Leaders on Developing and/or Operating Brownfields Programs Within Their Jurisdictions](#)

National Research opportunities:

4. [Minimizing displacement and gentrification resulting from brownfields reuse](#)
5. [Land bank strategies as tools for brownfields revitalization](#)

Interested applicants can apply for one or multiple opportunities. See [list of eligible entities](#) for technical assistance and research grants. Each grant will be awarded as a cooperative agreement.

More details will be provided when the grant solicitation opens! Please keep an eye on EPA's Brownfields Program website under [Open Solicitations](#).

