EPA's Brownfields & Land Revitalization Program Program Overview



EPA Supports Brownfields Revitalization

- Grants and technical assistance to promote:
 - community-driven planning, assessment, clean up and reuse of brownfield sites
 - training for brownfield jobs and workforce development
 - building local capacity to manage brownfield projects and successfully revitalization targeted areas.
- Liability protections to encourage acquisition and investment in brownfield reuse
- Establishing and enhancing state and tribal response programs





Brownfields Assessments

EPA provides **competitive grants** and **technical assistance** to assess known and potential site contamination:

- **Inventory:** Compile a list of brownfields
- Characterization: Identify past uses
- **Assessment:** Determine existing contamination
- Planning for Site Cleanup and Redevelopment Planning:
 Scope and plan process for site assessment, cleanup and reuse
- Community Involvement: Inform and engage stakeholders



Brownfields Cleanup

- Cleanup Grants: cleanup planning and contaminant abatement at one or more sites owned by the recipient.
- Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) Grants: capitalize a RLF program to provide loans and subgrants for cleanups.
- Multipurpose Grants: cleanup activities on brownfield sites, developing site reuse plans, and/or an overall plan for revitalization





Brownfield Job Training

- Grants provide funding to recruit, train, and place unemployed and under-employed residents of communities adversely impacted by the presence of brownfield sites
- Support training to help graduates develop wider skill sets that improve their ability to secure full-time, sustainable employment in various aspects of hazardous and solid waste management and within the larger environmental field, including water quality improvement and chemical safety.





State & Tribal Response Programs

EPA provides **non-competitive grants** annually to **states and tribes** to conduct the following brownfields activities:

- inventory of sites on state or tribal land
- oversee brownfields resources and enforce state/tribal authority
- provide opportunities for local stakeholders' meaningful participation in brownfields decisions
- approve site cleanup plans, and verify/certify that cleanup goals are completed



View of the Truckee River in Nevada, from parcels assessed for the Truckee River Flood Project



Roles & Responsibilities for Brownfield Activities



Awards grants, offers technical assistance and provides tools and guidance



EPA

Set cleanup standards, develop environmental policy and oversee and approve site cleanup and reuse decisions



Use EPA grants, technical assistance and other federal, state and local funds





Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act

Additional funding available, FY22-26

Congress has made more than \$1.5 billion available over 5 years to support communities in their efforts to assess, clean up and safely reuse brownfields.

- \$1.2 Billion to support brownfields projects via grants and technical assistance
- \$300 Million to State and Tribal Response Programs

EPA is using these funds to provide a range of resources to help communities address the environmental, economic, and social challenges caused by brownfields.

Environmental challenges



Economic challenges



Social challenges





Technical assistance

Targeted Brownfields Assessment

A targeted brownfields assessment (TBA) is conducted by an EPA contractor on behalf of an eligible entity. Services include site assessments, cleanup options and cost estimates, and community outreach.

Available: rolling basis; contact region

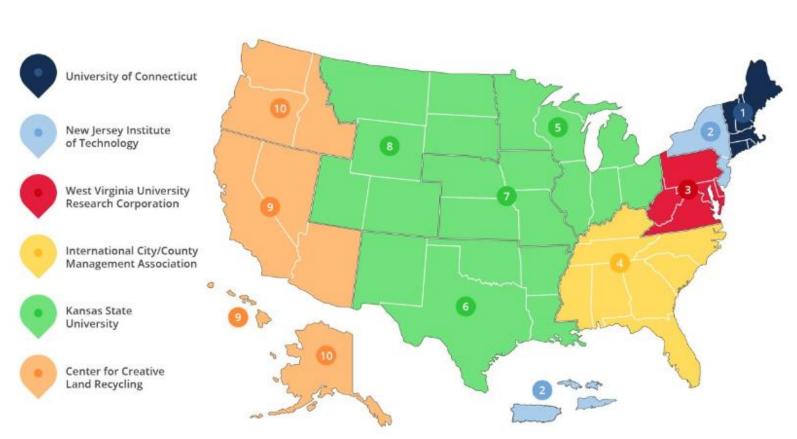






Technical Assistance By Region

Technical Assistance to Brownfields (TAB) Providers



Assist specific regions with TA and training to communities and other stakeholders on brownfield issues, such as:

- preparing grant applications;
- performing site inventories;
- reviewing historical information;
- design of investigation/sampling/field analysis; and
- cleanup and redevelopment planning.

Available: Oct 2023 – Sep 2028

Topic-specific technical assistance

Available to communities nationwide via these EPA grantees:



Available: Coming Soon



Land Banking Strategies to Support Brownfields

<u>Available</u>: 2023-2028



Equitable Development in Brownfields Planning

Available: 2021- 2024

Support Nonprofits Seeking to Reuse Brownfields

Available: 2023 – 2028



Anti-displacement Research

Available: 2023-2028

State Program Implementation

Available: Aug 2017 – February 2024



Available: 2023 –2030

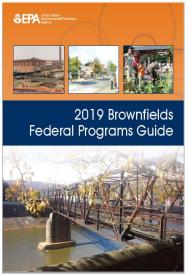


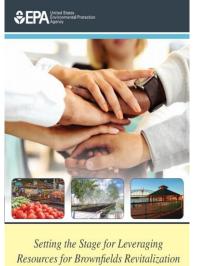
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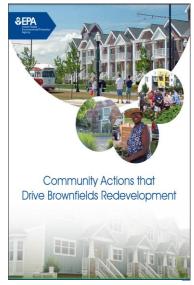
Tools and technical assistance that help communities sustainably reuse properties

- Develops guides, tools, trainings and best practices
- Provides technical assistance that helps communities cleanup and reuse contaminated land.













Learn more about brownfields

Understanding Brownfields https://www.epa.gov/brownfields/understanding-brownfields

Connect with brownfields technical assistance providers

Brownfields technical assistance https://www.epa.gov/brownfields/technical-assistance

Reach out to your regional EPA Contact

Regional Brownfields Coordinators https://www.epa.gov/brownfields/brownfields-contacts-epa-regional-offices

Find out if there are EPA-funded brownfield sites in your community

Cleanups in My Community https://www.epa.gov/cleanups/cleanups-my-community#map

