



The EPA Brownfields Program and CDFA: A New Partnership

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Discussion Topics

- Overview of EPA Brownfields Program
- Brownfields Grants
- CDFA Grant
- CDFA-EPA Partnership





If we don't make widgets what does the Brownfields Program do?

- **IN GENERAL** we provide modest/start-up capital & technical assistance to thousands of state, local, tribal & non-governmental champions and stakeholders to help them address brownfields.
- This is primarily done through our **Assessment, Revolving Loan Fund & Cleanup (ARC)** and **State and Tribal Response Program Grants**.

Mostly, I just sit around all day being fantastic.





So, What Do We Offer?

Grant Types (Avg Award Amount, # of awards annually):

- Brownfields Area-Wide Planning (\$200k, 20 awards)
- Brownfields Assessment (\$200-\$600k, 150 awards)
- Brownfields Revolving Loan Fund (\$1 M, 10 awards)
- Brownfields Cleanup (\$200k, 80 awards)
- Environmental Workforce Development and Job Training (\$200k, 20 awards)
- State and Tribal Response Program (\$47 M all states, 90 tribes and growing)

Technical Assistance by Type:

- **Targeted Brownfields Assessment (TBA) (\$5 M)**
- Technical Assistance to Brownfields Communities (TAB) (\$2 M +)



You Get Some Seed Money! And You Get Some Seed Money! And

This year the Brownfields Program gave out nearly \$90 million in competitive grant awards to communities that still need more money to cleanup and redevelop their brownfields.



BEFORE



..... **AFTER**



Is this success... did we reach our goal?





Any Questions?



Success



what people think
it looks like

Success



what it really
looks like

And this is where CDFA and Partners come in ...

- **Council of Development Finance Agencies** was awarded a **\$1 M, 5 year** grant to help **Brownfields Communities** achieve redevelopment success.
- **CDFA** will provide direct technical assistance through newsletters, webinars, workshops, project marketplaces and project response teams to identify financing options for brownfields projects.
- The hope is....
 1. Our communities will gain additional resources/know-how and
 2. EPA Staff will become more financing savvy.





Why now?

- 1. We have 100s of grantees across the country working to assess/cleanup/redevelop brownfields.**
- 2. \$140 M in RLF capital in 100+ communities.**
- 3. Assessment grants and Targeted Brownfields Assessments (TBAs) are great tools to reposition properties.**
- 4. EPA is a willing partner, often with the first money in to projects that wouldn't otherwise get moving.**

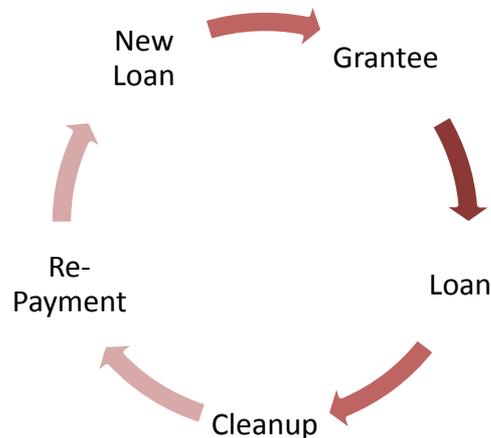
What's So Great About Brownfields, Anyway?

- Personal property values increased 5.1% - 12.8% near Brownfield sites when cleanup is completed.
- Cleaning up a brownfield can increase overall property values within a one mile radius by \$0.5 to \$1.5 million



Brownfields RLF Program

- For every brownfields dollar invested, RLFs leverage an average of \$15.50. *This is significantly higher than cleanup (\$12.24) and assessment (\$11.81) grants
- \$5.1B in Dollars Leveraged
- Just under 15k jobs leveraged
- 47% of our cleanups have come from RLFs
- RLF funds are often the first dollars in to projects that otherwise wouldn't receive funding



Not to toot our own horn but ...

- **Brownfields Program Accomplishments as of June, 2014:**
 - **Properties Assessed: 21,764**
 - **Dollars Leveraged: \$21.3B**
 - **Jobs Leveraged: 97,500**
- **Section 128(a) State + Tribal Funding:**
 - **Enrolled over 40,400 properties annually (on average)**
 - **Completed more than 99,450 cleanups**

Will You Be a Part of the Next Success Story?





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Association

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