



Brownfields 2004 Grant Fact Sheet

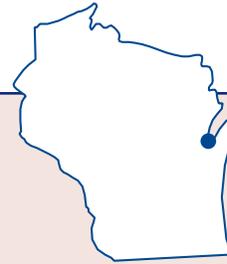
Ashwaubenon, WI

EPA Brownfields Program

EPA's Brownfields Program empowers states, communities, and other stakeholders in economic development to work together to prevent, assess, safely clean up, and sustainably reuse brownfields. A brownfield site is real property, the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse of which may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant. On January 11, 2002, the President signed into law the Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act. Under the Brownfields Law, EPA provides financial assistance to eligible applicants through four competitive grant programs: assessment grants, revolving loan fund grants, cleanup grants, and job training grants. Additionally, funding support is provided to state and tribal response programs through a separate mechanism.

Community Description

The Village of Ashwaubenon was selected to receive a brownfields assessment grant. Of the town's 17,634 residents, 1,009 live in the four targeted assessment areas. The town's early development centered around the trucking and railroad industries, manufacturing, and other heavy industrial land uses. The community has suffered from the environmental impacts of this history, including PCB contamination and leaking underground storage tanks. Cleanup of brownfields is expected to revitalize the town, reduce contamination, and enhance the fiscal condition of the community with an increased tax base. Redevelopment efforts will focus on creating a pedestrian river walk and bicycle trail, developing a Village Center and entertainment district, and providing new residential areas.



Assessment Grant

New
2004

\$200,000 for hazardous substances
\$200,000 for petroleum

EPA has selected the Village of Ashwaubenon for a brownfields assessment grant. Hazardous substances grant funds and petroleum grant funds will both be used to conduct a brownfields inventory within four targeted areas, and perform up to 20 Phase I assessments and 8 to 12 Phase II assessments. Funds will also be used for community outreach and cleanup planning, with a goal of creating a Village Square or Center for the community.

Contacts

For further information, including specific grant contacts, additional grant information, brownfields news and events, and publications and links, visit the EPA Brownfields web site at: www.epa.gov/brownfields.

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The cooperative agreement for this grant has not yet been negotiated; therefore, activities described in this fact sheet are subject to change.