



Brownfields 2004 Grant Fact Sheet

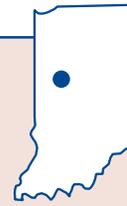
Tippecanoe County, IN

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

Tippecanoe County was selected to receive a brownfields assessment grant. The county is located along the Wabash River in Indiana. Multiple potential brownfields sites are present along the river corridor, including in the cities of Lafayette and West Lafayette. Approximately 15.4 percent of Tippecanoe's 148,995 residents live in poverty, and approximately 11 percent are minorities. The unemployment rate in the Wabash River Corridor ranges from four to 21.7 percent, and the poverty rate is as high as 76.4 percent. There are an estimated 50 brownfields in the target area's 2,000 acres along the Wabash River. Redevelopment of these brownfields is expected to lead to flood control,



Assessment Grant

**New
2004**

\$200,000 for hazardous substances

EPA has selected Tippecanoe County to receive a brownfields assessment grant. Grant funds will be used to inventory potential brownfields sites, perform Phase I and II assessments at selected sites in the Wabash River Corridor, plan remedial activities, and perform community outreach activities.

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, the activities described in this fact sheet are subject to change.

river bank stabilization, job creation and retention, reduced sprawl, improved public health, and downtown economic development.