



# Brownfields 2006 Grant Fact Sheet

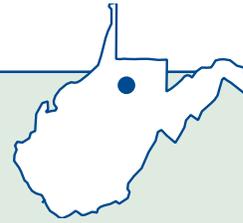
## Clarksburg, WV

### EPA Brownfields Program

EPA's Brownfields Program empowers states, communities, and other stakeholders 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, President George W. Bush 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 City of Clarksburg was selected to receive two brownfields cleanup grants. Clarksburg (population 16,743) is an old industrial town located in north-central West Virginia. The loss of approximately 4,000 manufacturing jobs and 2,000 coal mining-related jobs has had significant economic and social impacts. Nearly 20 percent of Clarksburg residents live in poverty. A lack of greenfields and the perceived impediments of the brownfields have driven manufacturing and commerce outside of Clarksburg, despite the fact that the city is located near two major highways. Cleanup of the brownfields properties will remove eyesores, eliminate potential health threats, and help the city attract industry and commerce. This will bring new job opportunities, increase property values and the city's tax base, and enhance the area



### Cleanup Grants

New  
2006

**\$230,000 for hazardous substances**

EPA has selected the City of Clarksburg for two brownfields cleanup grants. Grant funds will be used to conduct community involvement activities, develop cleanup plans, and remove contaminated waste from the former Adamston Flat Glass factory at Adams Avenue and North 26th Street. Earlier testing indicated the presence of heavy metals, primarily arsenic, and other hazardous substances used in the manufacture of glass at the site from the 1920s until the early 1980s. Funds also will be used to conduct community involvement activities, develop cleanup plans, remove contaminated soil, and dispose of drums of unidentified liquids at the Quality Foundry property at 100 Stiles Street. The site operated as a ferrous metal foundry from the late 1920s to 1990.

### 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](http://www.epa.gov/brownfields).

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<http://www.epa.gov/reg3hwmd/bfs/index.htm>

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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.

with added greenspace for the enjoyment of city residents and visitors. Cleanup and reuse of the Adamston Flat Glass site will help protect the health of the children who attend the adjacent elementary school and provide space for planned commercial ventures and recreation. Cleanup and reuse of the Quality

Foundry will help protect the health of the elderly population in the neighborhood and provide space for the expansion of an industrial facility next to the site, thereby preventing a growing business from leaving the city.