



Brownfields 2006 Grant Fact Sheet

Dallas, TX

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 Dallas was selected to receive a brownfields assessment grant. Dallas (population 1,193,433) is targeting areas in the southern sector of the city for brownfields assessments: South Dallas/Fair Park, West Dallas, and the Cedars and the South Side Public Improvement District. The southern sector of Dallas is the 190.4-square-mile area south of the Trinity River and Interstate 30. Its population is 42.7 percent African-American and 42.1 percent Hispanic. Thirty-eight percent of adult residents do not have a high school diploma, and nearly 11 percent are unemployed. The per capita income in this area is \$12,305, well below the median Dallas income level of \$37,628. Numerous underutilized or abandoned properties throughout the target area pose potential threats to the surrounding community. With a history



Assessment Grant



\$200,000 for hazardous substances

EPA has selected the City of Dallas for a brownfields assessment grant. Hazardous substances grant funds will be used to conduct community-wide Phase I and II environmental site assessments and perform community outreach activities in the southern sector of the city.

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.

of 37 brownfields success stories, the City of Dallas plans to continue identifying obstacles and barriers to brownfields redevelopment, developing strategies to overcome these barriers, and promoting revitalization of brownfields and communities. Assessment and eventual cleanup of brownfields will promote redevelopment and provide jobs, services, and economic vitality to the affected communities.