



# Brownfields 2006 Grant Fact Sheet

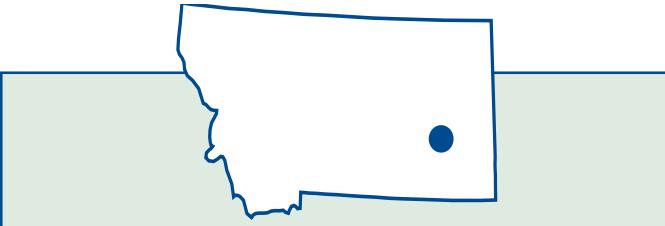
## Miles City Housing Authority, MT

### 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 Miles City Housing Authority was selected to receive a brownfields cleanup grant. Formed in 1978, the Miles City Housing Authority works to provide safe, decent, and affordable housing for families in Miles City (population 8,500). The poverty rate in Miles City is 15.1 percent, and the majority of jobs are minimum-wage service-sector positions. The city's overall housing market is 97.4 percent occupied, and there has been no new apartment development in the past 30 years. The Housing Authority intends to convert two of the former buildings at the target site into 21 affordable apartments for low-income families, and to demolish a third building to create greenspace for families living in the new apartments and sur-



### Cleanup Grant

New  
2006

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

EPA has selected the Miles City Housing Authority for a brownfields cleanup grant. Hazardous substances grant funds will be used to clean up the Old Holy Rosary Hospital site at 310 North Jordan and the 2000 block of Clark Street. The site contains three buildings built before 1950 that have been vacant for over a decade. Grant funds will be used to remove drums and waste materials from the former hospital buildings.

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

rounding neighborhoods. Brownfields redevelopment is expected to expand the tax base, increase property values, create jobs, remove environmental and human health threats, create greenspace, and provide much-needed housing.