



# Brownfields 2007 Grant Fact Sheet

## *Dorchester Bay Economic Development Corporation, Dorchester, MA*

### 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 Dorchester Bay Economic Development Corporation was selected to receive a brownfields cleanup grant. Dorchester is an ethnically diverse community in the Boston area. The youth population of Dorchester has increased more than ten percent since 1990, and the minority youth population has increased by 33 percent. The Bowdoin-Geneva neighborhood (popula-



### Cleanup Grant

**\$104,200 for hazardous substances**

EPA has selected the Dorchester Bay Economic Development Corporation for a brownfields cleanup grant. Hazardous substances grant funds will be used to clean up a property at 195 Bowdoin Street in the Bowdoin-Geneva neighborhood of Dorchester. The site was used as an automotive salvage, repair, and sales facility for almost 80 years. It is contaminated with co-mingled petroleum hydrocarbons, polynuclear aromatic hydrocarbons, and chlorinated solvents. Grant funds also will be used for community involvement 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](http://www.epa.gov/brownfields).

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tion 92,115) is challenged by poverty, lower educational levels, and unemployment. About 68 percent of residents are minorities. After the Bowdoin Street site is cleaned up, it will be redeveloped as a new community center. The community center will offer pre-school, after-school, and youth development programs, as well as adult programs and activities.