



Brownfields 2007 Grant Fact Sheet

Trenton, NJ

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 Trenton was selected to receive a brownfields assessment grant. Located in west-central New Jersey, Trenton (population 85,403) has an industrial past that has resulted in a number of abandoned buildings on contaminated properties throughout the city. The city has a 9.3 percent unemployment rate, and 21 percent of its residents live in poverty. About 75 percent of the city's residents are minorities. Trenton has identified about 150 former service stations, more than half of which have no environmental compliance history. Many of these sites are located in densely populated, low-income, minority neighborhoods. The sites pose potential health risks to local residents and cause blight in neighborhoods. Brownfields cleanup and redevelopment will expand



Assessment Grant



\$200,000 for petroleum

EPA has selected the City of Trenton for a brownfields assessment grant. Petroleum grant funds will be used to update and maintain an inventory of sites, and conduct Phase I and II environmental site assessments at former gas stations around 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 city's tax base, create local jobs, and enhance property values through the creation of greenspace.