



# Brownfields 2007 Grant Fact Sheet

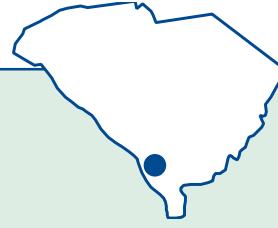
## Hampton, SC

### 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 Town of Hampton was selected to receive a brownfields assessment grant. Located in southern South Carolina, Hampton (population 2,837) is a rural community and the Hampton County seat. While surrounding regions have experienced population increases, Hampton County's population has declined from 1990 to 2000. Nearly 19 percent of Hampton families live in poverty, and 44 percent of residents are minorities. In recent years, Hampton has begun a revitalization effort focusing on its historic downtown district. The SCS Medical Waste site, a former medical waste incinerator, occupies about ten acres in the downtown district. The property is now abandoned and contains various potential sources of contamination.



### Assessment Grant



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

EPA has selected the Town of Hampton for a brownfields assessment grant. Hazardous substances grant funds will be used to conduct Phase I and II environmental site assessments at the former SCS Medical Waste site located at 100 Nix (Mill) Street. Grant funds also will be used to perform endangered species, historical, and cultural resource surveys, and support health monitoring and community involvement activities in conjunction with assessments.

### 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 information presented in this fact sheet comes from the grant proposal; EPA cannot attest to the accuracy of this information. The cooperative agreement for the grant has not yet been negotiated. Therefore, activities described in this fact sheet are subject to change.

Assessment of the site will increase marketability to prospective purchasers and redevelopers. Redevelopment of this site will reduce potential environmental threats to the community and remove a significant source of blight. It is also expected to create employment opportunities and increase property values and town tax revenues.