



Brownfields 2007 Grant Fact Sheet

Golden Urban Renewal Authority, CO

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 Golden Urban Renewal Authority was selected to receive a brownfields cleanup grant. Located on the western border of the Denver metropolitan area, Golden (population 17,159) was founded in 1859 as a gold mining camp. As area gold and coal mines closed, Golden struggled to maintain its economy. Downtown Golden and the surrounding neighborhoods reflect the city's history. Much of the housing stock is aged, and many of the downtown area's historic commercial buildings are obsolete. Traffic congestion and a lack of downtown parking have hindered economic growth. Cleanup of the target Dry Cleaners site will allow the property to be redeveloped into a 268-unit, free public parking structure. Redevelopment of this site is key to

Cleanup Grant

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\$200,000 for hazardous substances

EPA has selected the Golden Urban Renewal Authority for a brownfields cleanup grant. Hazardous substances grant funds will be used to clean up the Dry Cleaners site located at 780 13th Street. The site was used by drycleaning businesses for about 20 years. Site soil and groundwater are contaminated with tetrachloroethylene (PCE). Grant funds will be used to treat site groundwater and to conduct sampling to ensure that the PCE does not adversely affect nearby properties.

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 \$25 million Gateway Station redevelopment project, a mixed-use initiative that will increase annual tax revenues by \$380,000. The Gateway Station project will create 34 new residential units, about 16,000 square feet of commercial space, and 11,000 square feet of office space.