



Brownfields 2008 Grant Fact Sheet

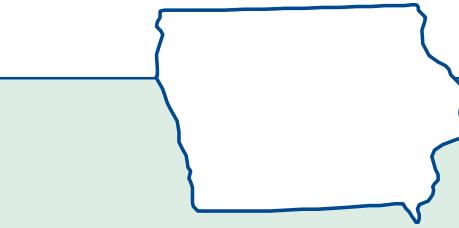
Clinton, IA

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 this 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 Clinton was selected to receive a brownfields assessment grant and two brownfields cleanup grants. Located in eastern Iowa on the Mississippi River, Clinton (population 27,772) was founded as a river port in the early 1800s and came to prominence as a major lumber-producing center. Woodworking gave way to the transportation, trading, and manufacturing industries. With the construction of a railroad maintenance shop in Clinton, the Chicago Northwestern Railroad became the city's largest employer until it closed in 1995. Agricultural businesses have since become the area's major employer. The city is focusing its brownfields efforts on the 220-acre Liberty Square Brownfields Redevelopment Project Area. The area has contained foundries, coal-fired power plants, and chemical manufacturers. A greater



Assessment Grant

New
2008

\$200,000 for hazardous substances

EPA has selected the City of Clinton for a brownfields assessment grant. Hazardous substances grant funds will be used to perform Phase I environmental site assessments on 24 properties and a Phase II area-wide assessment in the Liberty Square Brownfields Redevelopment Project Area. Grant funds also will be used to conduct health monitoring and support community outreach activities.

Cleanup Grants

New
2008

\$200,000 for hazardous substances

\$200,000 for petroleum

EPA has selected the City of Clinton for two brownfields cleanup grants. Hazardous substances grant funds will be used to clean up the former Jetter Hauling Service/Hawkeye Disposal properties at 1309-1403 Camanche Avenue and 1408-1500 South 6th Street. The properties were most recently used as a solid waste transfer facility and have a long history of commercial, industrial, and residential uses. Soil and groundwater are contaminated with metals and volatile organic compounds. Petroleum grant funds will be used to clean up the 0.3-acre former Benson Oil Company facility at 587 Liberty Avenue, which is contaminated with petroleum-related volatile organic compounds. The site was originally a bulk oil storage facility and later used for storage and recycling of wooden pallets. Grant funds also will be used to conduct cleanup planning and 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.

percentage of lower income and minority residents live in this area than in the rest of the city. Assessments of brownfields will provide information about contamination that is needed to enable the city to make informed decisions on how properties can fit into redevelopment plans. When the former Benson Oil Company facility is cleaned up, the city hopes to reuse it as part of a proposed pedestrian trail and greenspace. When the former Jetter Hauling Service/Hawkeye Disposal properties are cleaned up, the city plans to redevelop them into commercial businesses and professional offices flanked by the realigned U.S. Highway 30/67.

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