

## **Supplemental Brownfields Job Training Grants August 2002**

### **Jobs for Youth - Boston, MA (\$50,000)**

With the \$50,000 supplemental Brownfields Job Training and Development grant Jobs for Youth plans to train an additional 10 trainees in two 15-week cycles. Accomplishments include 59 graduates a 72% placement rate and 37 employed for one year or longer. Jobs for Youth has leveraged funds to support continuation of the program after grant period ended and leveraged \$293,934 through partnerships.

### **New Bedford, MA (\$50,000)**

With the \$50,000 supplemental Brownfields Job Training and Development grant, New Bedford plans to train 20 citizens and achieve a 65% completion rate over 15-17 week training cycle. This pilot exceeded its goals by having 48 graduates complete training with a 92% placement rate. 82% of graduates have been employed for one year or more. This pilot also leveraged more than \$12,000 in funding through community involvement and partnerships.

### **State University of Buffalo, NY (\$50,000)**

With the \$50,000 supplemental Brownfields Job Training and Development grant, SUNY plans to fund a third training session which will help to train 15 individuals. This project proposes to explore use of remote technology, such as on-site or cellular links in this latest round of pilots. SUNY has placement rate of 75% of their graduates from the first training cycle.

### **Concurrent Technologies Corporation, Charleston, SC (\$75,000)**

With the \$75,000 supplemental Brownfields Job Training and Development grant, Charleston plans to conduct another round of training. At this time, Charleston has trained 52 individuals and to date has a 87.5% job retention rate. Over \$23,000 has been leveraged in funding. This pilot was awarded a CPP (Community Partnership and Participation) Award from EPA Region 4 at the Region 4 Brownfields 2001 Workshop for its Outstanding Community Partnerships and Participation.

### **Milwaukee Community Service Corps, Milwaukee, WI (\$75,000)**

With the \$50,000 supplemental Brownfields Job Training and Development grant, Milwaukee Corps plans to conduct an additional round of training and also plans to use additional funding to engage the services of a phytoremediation expert to train participants in the sophisticated use and application of phytoremediating materials. The pilot leveraged \$240,000 through community involvement and partnerships. Their placement rate of graduates is 79%. After tracking for one year, there is a 67% retention rate among employed graduates.

### **Hennepin County, MN (\$75,000)**

With the \$50,000 supplemental Brownfields Job Training and Development grant, Hennepin County plans to enroll 80 new participants, with 68 completing the training and 45 retaining employment for one year or more. This pilot leveraged more than \$150,000 through community involvement and partnerships. As of April 30, 2002, they had recruited 91 individuals and 79 completed training.

**St. Louis Community College, St. Louis, MO and IL (\$50,000)**

With the \$50,000 supplemental Brownfields Job Training and Development grant, St. Louis plans to train a minimum of 25 additional individuals . The pilot has exceeded original goals; they recruited over 125 individuals, enrolled 77 and with an 85% completion rate. The training program consists of a six-week program that covers certification as Lead Abatement Workers and Asbestos Abatement Workers, as well as certification in handling of hazardous materials.

**Oakland Private Industry, CA (\$50,000)**

With the \$50,000 supplemental Brownfields Job Training and Development grant, the Oakland PIC plans to train an additional 45 citizens and place 60% into environmental jobs. To date the pilot has met enrollment and placement goals. The training program consisted of seven 13-week training cycles with a goal to train 120 citizens, and place 80% of the trainees. The training program resulted in enrollment of 150 citizens and placement of 101 with a 75% job retention rate of those placed into jobs. Partnerships were developed with community organizations and funding/in-kind support was leveraged from the Cypress Mandela Program.

**City of Los Angeles, CA (\$75,000)**

With the \$75,000 supplemental Brownfields Job Training and Development grant Los Angeles plans to train 20 residents in a 13-week training cycle. The pilot has conducted two training cycles with a third beginning in June 2002. The pilot has a 65% placement rate and after eight months of tracking, all graduates are still employed. All trainees are either residents of low-moderate income communities, or residents of federal Empowerment Zone or displaced workers or ex-felons.

**Young Community Developers, Inc., San Francisco, CA (\$75,000)**

With the \$75,000 supplemental Brownfields Job Training and Development grant, YCD plans to train 19 residents. The pilot has met 100% of goals established in the previous grant. All 18 graduates from last class were employed within 10 days of completion of training with an hourly wage of \$17/hr with benefits. The pilot leveraged over \$180,000 through partnerships.

**King County, WA (\$50,000)**

With the \$50,000 supplemental Brownfields Job Training and Development grant, King County plans to train 50 additional citizens in one 5-week program which includes innovative technology. The pilot has already conducted three training cycles under the original grant and has a placement rate of 81%. Fifty-seven graduates have been placed in environmental jobs to date.