



Brownfields Sustainability Pilot Fact Sheet

Focus: Hope

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.

EPA's Brownfields Sustainability Pilots provide technical assistance to support communities in achieving greener, more sustainable assessment, cleanup, and redevelopment at their brownfields projects. These pilots will also serve as models for other communities across the country.

Project Description

EPA has selected Focus: HOPE to receive a Brownfields Sustainability Pilot. Focus: HOPE is a civil and human rights nonprofit organization in Detroit, Michigan, whose programs include education, training, and economic development initiatives for the local community. The nonprofit also aims to revitalize the Oakman East neighborhood. This neighborhood includes a mix of former industrial and commercial operations including a metal fabrication facility, warehouses, and service station.

Oakman East was the subject of the 2008 National Brownfields Conference Design Charrette. Focus: HOPE and their partners seek to implement several recommendations from the charrette. To help facilitate these recommendations, EPA assistance will be used for site planning, green building design, stormwater management, green infrastructure design, and native landscaping at four adjoining properties. Proposed mixed used redevelopment includes commercial, park and greenway, and affordable housing.



Technical Assistance: Land Use Planning and Green Design

Technical Assistance Recipient:

Focus: HOPE

Project Focus:

Green building design, stormwater management, green infrastructure design and native landscaping in Detroit, Michigan

Funding Amount:

\$50,000

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