



Types and Amounts of EPA Brownfields Grants

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Brownfields Multipurpose, Assessment, Revolving Loan Fund, and Cleanup (MARC) Grants

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- **M**ulti-Purpose
- **A**ssessment
- **R**evolving Loan Fund (RLF)
- **C**leanup
- ❖ Grant types listed above commonly referred to as **MARC** Grants



Multi-Purpose Grants – 5 year grant

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- Combines assessment and cleanup grants in one
 - Up to \$800,000
 - 70% must be spent on site-specific activities
 - At least \$200,000 must be spent on cleanup activities
 - \$40,000 cost share
 - 5 years
 - Multiple sites possible



Assessment Applicant Options – 3 year grant

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An applicant applying for an assessment grant can do the following options for assessing sites (phase I – All Appropriate Inquiry); phase II (site sampling); and/or site specific redevelopment planning – including some area wide planning tasks such as market options development. NO COST SHARE

Community Wide	Site Specific	Coalitions
Up to 300,000 for hazardous substances <i>and/or</i> for petroleum sites.	Up to \$200,000 for petroleum <i>or</i> hazardous substances	Up to \$600,000 per coalition.
	May request a waiver for up to \$350,000	Minimum of 3 partners & 5 sites
May also apply for a site-specific grant; may not apply as a coalition member	May also apply for Community Wide; may not apply as a coalition member	May not apply for the other assessment grants.



Cleanup Grant Program – 3 year grant

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- To carry out cleanup activities at brownfield sites
- Up to \$500,000 per property
- Hazardous substances or petroleum contamination; one site or multiple sites
- Cost share requirement of 20%
- Community Notification (Threshold Criteria Only) & phase II data and draft ABCA required
- *Must have FEE SIMPLE TITLE* by date of application



Revolving Loan Fund – max 15 year grant

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- Provides fund to capitalize a revolving loan and to make loans and subgrants to carry out cleanup activities at Brownfield sites. Up to \$1,000,000
 - Makes loans or subgrants
 - Cleanup grant limitations generally apply
 - 40/60 or 50/50 grants to loans
 - 5- 15 years, plus tracking until all funds used up
 - High performing funds can request supplemental funds annually.



Other EPA Brownfields Programs

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Brownfields Job Training Grant Program

- www.epa.gov/brownfields/job.htm
- Next round is open now; closes 9/22/20
 - Webinar 8/6/20

Targeted Brownfields Assessment (TBA) Program*

- www.epa.gov/brownfields/tba.htm

**non-grant program that provides direct
EPA assessment assistance to communities*



Brownfields Competitive Grant Program

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EPA Brownfields ARC grants are very competitive. Applicants should be prepared to put time and effort into constructing a winning proposal.



So You Want a Brownfields Grant....

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- Are you “ready”?
 - Do you have a brownfields champion?
 - Do you have a diverse support team?
 - Is there political support?
 - Do you have a target area?
 - Have you engaged the community yet?
 - Have you done any redevelopment planning?
 - Do you know where you are going and how to get there?



Additional EPA Programs & Technical Assistance

EPA Grant Program	Type of EPA Assistance/Grants	Website
Environmental Justice	Empower communities as they develop and implement solutions that significantly address environmental and/or public health issues at the local level.	https://www.epa.gov/grants/open-announcements-competitive-grant-opportunities
Urban Waters	Support to communities make water quality restoration relevant to public health, social, economic, and livability goals.	https://www.epa.gov/urbanwaters/urban-waters-small-grants
Brownfields	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Land Revitalization tech assistance• Employment Workforce Development and Job Training Grant (EWDJTG) (closes 9/22/20)• Technical Assistance to Brownfield (TAB) New Jersey Institute of Technology• Groundwork USA• Council of Development Finance Agencies (CDFA)	https://www.epa.gov/land-revitalization/land-revitalization-technical-assistance-projects https://www.epa.gov/brownfields/fy-2021-environmental-workforce-development-and-job-training-ewdjtg-grants-0 HTTP://WWW.NJIT.EDU/TAB/ http://groundworkusa.org/ http://www.cdfa.net/



Layering Funding

Agency	Federal Funding	Website
HUD	CDBG, HOPE VI, Choice Neighborhoods and Technical Assistance	http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/administration/grants/fundsavail
DOT	TIGER (Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery), Livability	https://www.transportation.gov/tiger https://www.transportation.gov/livability/grants-programs
USDA	Community Food Projects, Planning Projects, Technical Assistance, Infrastructure	http://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/all-programs
NEA , National Endowment for the Arts	Our Town, Challenge America and Art Works	https://www.arts.gov/grants/apply-grant/grants-organizations
HHS , Department of Health and Human Services		https://forecast.grantsolutions.gov/
DOL , Department of Labor	Job training, Adult and Youth Reentry	http://www.dol.gov/general/grants/funding-ops
EDA , Economic Development Administration	Competitive- merit-basis to support economic development, foster job creation, and attract private investment	https://www.eda.gov/funding-opportunities/index.htm



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https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JpZPjWaUkCc&feature=emb_logo



“Best Fit” EPA Programs for Community Revitalization in Opportunity Zones



Land Cleanup

- Brownfields
- Superfund
- Resource Conservation and Recovery Act
- Sustainable Materials Management
- Leaking Underground Storage Tanks

Infrastructure Investment

- WIFIA
- State Revolving Funds - Drinking Water and Clean Water
- Urban Waters
- Sustainable Water Infrastructure

Technical Assistance

- Community Revitalization Workshops (OCR)
- Environmental Justice
- Land Revitalization
- Superfund Redevelopment Initiative
- Smart Growth

Geographic Initiatives

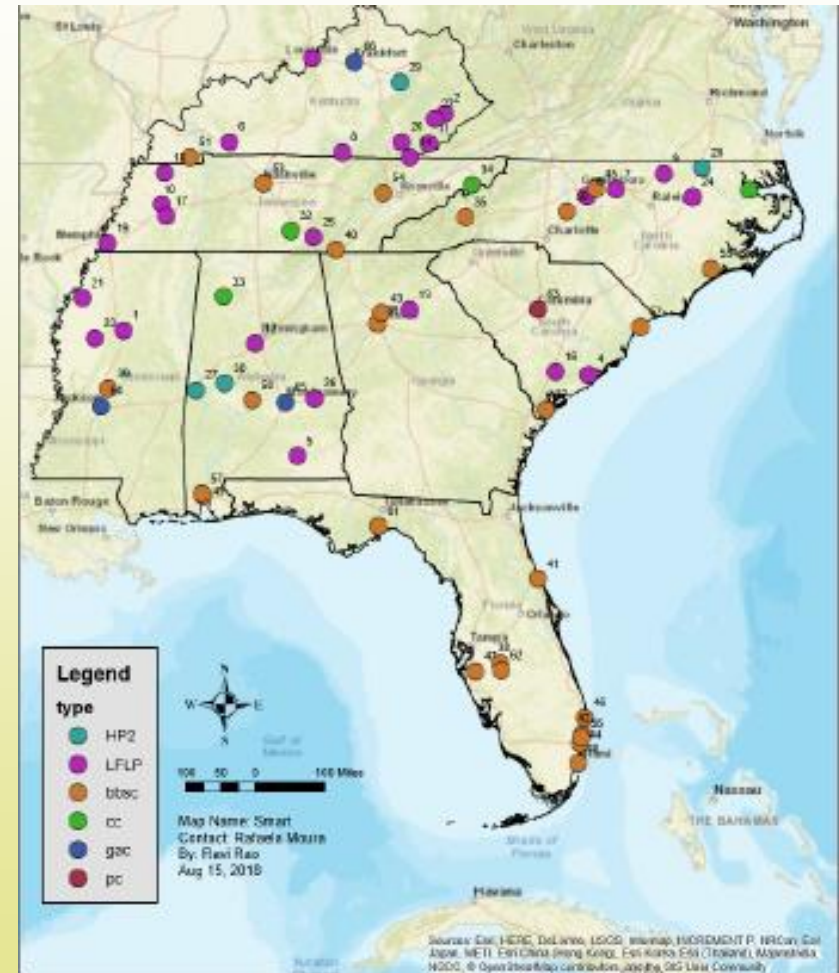
- **Community-Driven Solutions**
- Gulf Coast Programs
- Local Food – Local Places
- Ports Sector Initiative

Air Quality & Energy

- Tools for Nonattainment Areas (Redesignation / “Advance”)
- Energy Star
- Green Power Partnership



- Office of Community Revitalization –technical assistance opportunities
 - Local Foods/Local Places
 - Building Blocks for Sustainable Communities
 - Cool & Connected
 - Healthy Places for Healthy People
 - Greening America's Communities/Capitals
 - Governor's Institute on Community Design



<https://www.epa.gov/smartgrowth/smart-growth-technical-assistance-programs>



Florida Brownfields Redevelopment Atlas

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- University of South Florida & FL DEP
 - Housing, demographics, health data, DEP environmental data, etc. in GIS Platform
 - <https://tinyurl.com/FLBrownfieldsAtlas>
- EJ Screen
 - <https://www.epa.gov/ejscreen>
- Region 4 2021 Grant Application Tips Sheet



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