

Brownfields 2023 Assessment Fact Sheet

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Overview of the 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 brownfield sites. 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. The Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act of 2002, as amended by the Brownfields Utilization, Investment and Local Development Act of 2018, was passed to help states and communities around the country clean up and revitalize brownfield sites. Under this law, EPA provides financial assistance to eligible applicants through five competitive grant programs: Multipurpose Grants, 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.

Assessment Grant

\$500,000

EPA has selected the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Milwaukee (RACM) for a Brownfields Assessment Grant. Community-wide grant funds will be used to conduct 20 Phase I and ten Phase II environmental site assessments. Grant funds also will be used to prepare five cleanup plans and conduct community outreach activities. The target area for this grant is the 25 census tracts that make up the 30th Street Industrial Corridor. Priority sites include 3002 W. Burleigh Street, 2930 W. Burleigh Street, 3167 N. 30th Street, 3130-48 N. 31st Street, 3131 N. 31st Street, and 3139 N. 31st Street.

Cleanup Grant

\$2,000,000

EPA has selected RACM for a Brownfields Cleanup Grant that will be funded by the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law. Grant funds will be used to clean up a former industrial property at 3940 North 35th Street. The 13.7-acre cleanup site was historically used for several industrial purposes including for disposal of an industrial waste solution containing iron and sulfuric acid, also known as pickle liquor, into multiple lagoons; for housing numerous aboveground storage tanks (ASTs) including three 60,000-gallon propane ASTs, two 30,000-gallon propane ASTs, and one 500,000-gallon fuel oil AST; and for outdoor automobile frame storage and loading products onto rail cars. The site is currently vacant. It is contaminated with chlorinated volatile organic compounds, polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons, and heavy metals. Grant funds also will be used to conduct community engagement activities including community meetings with virtual options.

For further information, including specific grant contacts, additional grant information, brownfields news and events, and publications and links, visit the EPA Brownfields Web site (<http://www.epa.gov/brownfields>).

The information presented in this fact sheet comes from the grant application; EPA cannot attest to the accuracy of the information. The cooperative agreement is negotiated after the selection announcement. Therefore, the funding amount and activities described in this fact sheet are subject to change.