



Brownfields 2013 Cleanup Grant Fact Sheet

St. Margaret's Foundation, New Orleans, LA

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. In 2002, the Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act was passed to help states and communities around the country cleanup and revitalize brownfields sites. 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.

Cleanup Grant

\$200,000 for hazardous substances

EPA has selected St. Margaret's Foundation for a brownfields cleanup grant. Hazardous substances grant funds will be used to clean up the former Mercy Hospital site located at 301 North Jefferson Davis Parkway, New Orleans. In the early 1900s, the Southern Lumber and Demolishing Company operated a lumber yard on the site. In the 1950s, Mercy Hospital moved to the site to expand its healthcare services. In 2005, the site was flooded by Hurricane Katrina and subsequently abandoned. The site is contaminated with inorganic contaminants and heavy metals. Grant funds also will be used to conduct community outreach 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 (<http://www.epa.gov/brownfields>).

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