



Brownfields 2013 Revolving Loan Fund Grant Fact Sheet *Northwest Indiana Regional Development Authority*

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.

Revolving Loan Fund Grant

\$800,000 for hazardous substances

EPA has selected the Northwest Indiana Regional Development Authority for a brownfields revolving loan fund grant. The grant will be used to capitalize a revolving loan fund from which the Northwest Indiana Regional Development Authority will provide loans and subgrants to support cleanup activities for sites contaminated with hazardous substances. Grant funds also will be used for marketing the RLF, cleanup planning, and community involvement activities. The Development Authority plans to issue three loans and three subgrants. Coalition partners are the Cities of East Chicago, Gary, and Hammond. RLF activities will focus on those three cities.

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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