



## **Brownfields 2014 Assessment Grant Fact Sheet** *Economic Development Coalition of Southwest Indiana*

### **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.

### **Assessment Grant**

*\$400,000 for hazardous substances*

*\$180,000 for petroleum*

EPA has selected the Economic Development Coalition of Southwest Indiana for a brownfields assessment coalition grant. Community-wide hazardous substances grant funds will be used to conduct 13 Phase I and 10 Phase II environmental site assessments. Petroleum grant funds will be used to conduct seven Phase I and four Phase II environmental site assessments. Both types of grant funds will be used to inventory and prioritize sites, conduct community involvement activities, and develop cleanup plans. Coalition partners are Gibson, Posey, Vanderburgh, and Warrick Counties in southwestern Indiana.

### **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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