EPA Brownfields Grants

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Types of EPA Brownfields Grants
Brownfields Competitive Grants

- Assessment Grants
- Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) Grants
- Cleanup Grants
- Area-wide Planning Grants
- Multi-Purpose Grants
- Job Training Grants

*25% For Petroleum
Assessment Grant Program

- Developing of inventories of brownfields properties
- Conducting environmental assessments at brownfields properties
- Performing community engagement activities
- Preparing cleanup plans and/or end-use plan
- Performance reporting and environmental oversight
- Health monitoring to targeted population
- Monitoring and enforcement of institutional controls
- Other related program development and implementation activities (e.g., writing local brownfields-related ordinances) to effectively oversee assessments
- Purchasing environmental insurance
Three Types of Assessment Grants:

- Property-specific Assessment
- Community-wide Assessment
- Community-wide Assessment Coalition

Eligible entities are:

- General Purpose Unit of Local Government (as defined under 40 CFR Part 31)
- States and Tribes
- Quasi-government entities (e.g., regional councils, redevelopment authorities, economic development agencies, etc.)
• Property-specific Assessment Grant:
  • Up to $200,000 for hazardous substances or up to $200,000 for petroleum
  • A waiver up to $350,000 can be requested
  • Maximum amount is $350,000
  • Need to Pass Property and Ownership Eligibility Threshold Requirements
  • May also apply for a community-wide grant
  • Performance Period – three years
• Community-wide Assessment Grant:
  • Up to $200,000 for hazardous substances and/or up to $200,000 for petroleum
  • No waiver of funding limit
  • Maximum amount is $400,000
  • May also apply for a site-specific grant
  • Performance period – three years
• Community-wide Assessment Coalition Grant:
  • Up to $1M for hazardous substances and/or petroleum
  • At least **three** eligible entities
  • Must assess a minimum of **five** properties
  • No waiver of funding limit
  • Maximum amount is $1M
  • May not apply for an individual community-wide or site-specific grant or as part of another coalition
  • Performance period – three years
Brownfields Cleanup Grants

- To conduct “shovel ready” cleanup at eligible property contaminated with petroleum and/or hazardous substances
- To support/supplement an “ongoing” cleanup at eligible property contaminated with petroleum and/or hazardous substances
- Performance reporting and environmental oversight
- Health monitoring to targeted population
- Monitoring and enforcement of institutional controls
- Other related program development and implementation activities (e.g., writing local brownfields-related ordinances) to effectively oversee assessments
- Purchasing environmental insurance
Eligible entities are:

- General Purpose Unit of Local Government (as defined under 40 CFR Part 31)
- States and Tribes
- Quasi-government entities (e.g., regional councils, redevelopment authorities, economic development agencies, etc.)
- 501(c)(3) Non-profits Organizations
Brownfields Cleanup Grants

- Up to $200,000 per property per proposal
  - Maximum of three proposals (three properties)
  - Hazardous substances and/or petroleum
  - Maximum amount combined is $200,000 per property
- Eligible entity has to own the property prior to apply
- Must have a draft Analysis of Brownfields Cleanup Alternatives
- Cost share of 20%
- Must pass Property and Ownership Eligibility Threshold requirements
- Performance period – three years
Brownfields RLF Grants

- To capitalize a revolving loan fund from which to provide loans and sub-grants to carry out cleanup activities at brownfields properties.
- Performance reporting and environmental oversight
- Health monitoring to targeted population (10% of total grant)
- Monitoring and enforcement of institutional controls
- Other related program development and implementation activities (e.g., writing local brownfields-related ordinances) to effectively oversee assessments
- Purchasing environmental insurance
Brownfields RLF Grants

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  • General Purpose Unit of Local Government (as defined under 40 CFR Part 31)
  • States and Tribes
  • Quasi-government entities (e.g., regional councils, redevelopment authorities, economic development agencies, etc.)
Brownfields RLF Grants

- Up to $1M per eligible entity
  - Coalitions may apply (two or more eligibly entities)
  - Hazardous substances and/or petroleum
- Maximum amount is $1M
- Only applicants who do not have an existing RLF may apply
- Up to 50% can be used for RLF Cleanup sub-grants and 50% or more to capitalize a RLF
- Cost share requirement of 20%
- Performance period – five years
Brownfields Job Training Grants

- To train residents of communities impacted by a variety of waste facilities, blighted properties, and contaminated sites for environmental jobs that cleanup contractors may otherwise fill from outside the affected community.
- Recruiting job training participants from impacted communities.
- Training participants in multidisciplinary environmental areas to make them more competitive in the field.
Brownfields Job Training Grants

- Up to $300,000 per proposal
- Performance period – two years
- Eligible entities are:
  - General Purpose Unit of Local Government (as defined under 40 CFR Part 31)
  - States and Tribes
  - Quasi-government entities (e.g., regional councils, redevelopment authorities, economic development agencies, etc.)
  - **501(c)(3) Non-profits Organizations**
Additional Competitive Grants

- Up coming competitive grants
- Multi-purpose grants
- Area-wide Planning grants
Region 2 Brownfields Program Overview
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- **Assessment Grants**
  - 131 assessment grants totaling $29.15M
    - 73 open assessment grants totaling $13.75M

- **Cleanup Grants**
  - 50 cleanup grants totaling $8.7M
    - 34 open cleanup grants totaling $5.36M

- **Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) Grants**
  - 12 RLF grants totaling $11.1M
    - 8 open RLF grants totaling $7.9M

- **Job Training Grants**
  - 19 job training grants totaling $3.9M
    - 6 open job training grants totaling $1.2
Region 2 Brownfields Program
American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA)

- ARRA Assessment Grants
  - 2 assessment grants totaling $400k
- ARRA Cleanup Grants
  - 7 cleanup grants totaling $8.7M
- ARRA Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) Supplemental Grants
  - 1 RLF Supplemental grants totaling $900K
- ARRA Job Training Grants
  - 2 job training grants totaling $1M
Region 2 Brownfields Overall Accomplishments

- 708 properties assessed
- 12 properties cleaned up
- 8 RLF loans made
- 3 RLF sub-grants awarded
- 611 Participants of Job Training programs graduated
  - 324 graduated participants obtained job at an average wage of $12.56 per hour
- 3,775 jobs leveraged
- Over $668M leveraged