TRANSFORMING BROWNFIELDS:
A PATH TOWARDS
ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL JUSTICE

A Virtual Round Table Discussion
Monday, October 26, 2020; 2:00pm

The Virtual Workshop will begin shortly.
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Free technical assistance to NJ county and local governments

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NJEDA Environmental Justice

• **What:** Holistic view – Using Brownfields & Sustainable Systems to drive economic growth
  - Encouraging thriving and inclusive urban centers and downtowns, with a focus on reducing poverty

• **Why:** Environmental Sustainability, Environmental Justice, and Economic Prosperity are interdependent and mutually reinforcing ideas

• **How:**
  - More Investment Resources
  - More robust partnerships with sister agencies
  - More technical assistance
NJEDA’s New Expansion of Brownfields and Sustainable Systems

Internal & External Integration & Partnerships
- Environmental Justice
- Climate Resilience
- Community Collaborative Initiative

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NJEDA Awarded USEPA RLF Brownfield Grant (Brownfield Impact Fund)
- Tentative Launch Date = 2021

NJEDA Applying for EPA Assessment Grant

NJEDA Brownfield Loan Program
- Tentative Launch Date = January 2021
Key proposed program features

- $15MM Pool of Funds for 2021
- Low interest loans for brownfield remediation includes assessment, investigation, and cleanup.
- Demolition, Asbestos, Lead Based Paint are all eligible.
- Minimum $100K – Maximum $5MM
- 10-Year Term. No payments first two years – Interest Only Next two years. Amortizing balance. No Pre-payment penalty.
- Base rate of 3%, with rate reductions incentives available.

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https://www.njeda.com/financing_incentives/large_business/Brownfields-Loan-Program
SMALL BUSINESS EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM – PHASE 3

- Expanded eligibility (up to 50 FTEs)
- Larger award sizes (up to $20,000)
- Targeted funding for restaurants and micro businesses

Program Size
$70M
33% set aside for businesses in OZ-eligible census tracts

All applicants must pre-register online between October 19 - October 27

Applications will open on a rolling basis for different types of businesses.

- Restaurants (Up to 50 FTEs)
  - Oct 29
- Micro Business (1-5 FTEs)
  - Oct 30
- All Other Applicants (Non-Restaurant; 6-50 FTEs)
  - Nov 2

Applications open at 9 am

https://cv.business.nj.gov/
A new resource to ensure small and micro businesses and non-profit organizations have access to the PPE they need to reopen safely.

**SMALL AND MICRO BUSINESS PPE ACCESS PROGRAM**

**Program Size**

~$24M

*More information at covid19.nj.gov/ppeaccess*

**Phase 1**

- **Online PPE Planning Tool** to help small business owners estimate their PPE needs for the rest of year / flu season
- Vetted list of Designated Vendors that provide at least a 10% discount to any businesses that purchases PPE through covid19.nj.gov/ppeaccess
- **$3.5M funding** for NJ-based manufacturers and small wholesalers that sell to Designated Vendors
- New Designated Vendors listed soon

**Phase 2**

- ~$20.5M in grant funding to be launch targeted by end of October / early November
- **Additional 25% discounts** on PPE purchases for NJ-based businesses under 100 FTE
- Covers up to $400 per company, $500 if company is located in an Opportunity Zone Eligible Census Tract
- Must be used through Program’s Designated Vendors
- Grant funds automatically applied at checkout