

FREE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE BROWNFIELDS AND LAND REVITALIZATION



In addition to the Brownfields grant programs, there are various complimentary resources available from the EPA and our state partners to help inform assessment, cleanup, and reuse decisions. These technical assistance programs can help further the success of a brownfield investment. This sheet provides information on a few of these opportunities.

WHAT IS A BROWNFIELD?

Brownfields are potentially contaminated properties, often concentrated in historically underserved communities, and may include:

- Former gas stations
- Former industrial sites
- Former dry cleaners
- Old buildings
- Vacant lots
- Waste Piles

HOW CAN TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE HELP?

Brownfields can be safely cleaned-up and reused. EPA supports equitable development and local wealth building through the identification, cleanup and reuse of these properties.

Assistance in further assessing a site or planning for site reuses, particularly considering things such as market analyses, equitable development, and climate resiliency can help bring both project success and broad, long-lasting benefits to a community.

See EPA's [Understanding Brownfields](#) for more information.

TARGETED BROWNFIELDS ASSESSMENTS (TBA)

The TBA program provides [free site assessments](#)—including research about past uses, environmental sampling for potential contamination, and cleanup planning.

TBAs are conducted by an EPA contractor on behalf of an eligible entity. Services are for an average of \$100,000 and include site assessments, cleanup options and cost estimates, and community outreach.

This is not an enforcement program. The goal is to identify solutions, not punish property owners or buyers. The sites for this program are selected on a rolling basis.

Contact [Katy Deng](#) 617-918-1286 – RI Targeted Brownfields Assessment Program Coordinator for further information.

STATE PROGRAMS AND RESOURCES

State programs are also essential resources and partners in brownfields redevelopment. See the links below for further information on programs that may be helpful in supporting your brownfield goals.

Connecticut	CT Brownfields	CT EJ	CT Climate
Maine	ME Brownfields	ME EJ	ME Climate
Massachusetts	MA Brownfields	MA EJ	MA Climate
New Hampshire	NH Brownfields	NH EJ	NH Climate
Rhode Island	RI Brownfields	RI EJ	RI Climate
Vermont	VT Brownfields	VT EJ	VT Climate

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REDEVELOPMENT TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

EPA's [Land Revitalization Program](#) supports the safe and sustainable reuse of brownfield properties. Small investments of expert technical assistance are available annually. EPA helps communities identify practical reuse approaches that support local goals through site design, market analysis, community engagement, sustainable development and other topics.

Tools and guidance from [past projects](#) can be found in the [Land Revitalization Toolkit](#) and the [Revitalization Ready Guide](#).

Contact [Elise Simons](#) 617-918-1220— RI Land Revitalization Coordinator for further information.



EPA recognizes each community faces different challenges with brownfields. Our technical assistance meets these varying needs. Through working with local entities, we aim to improve public health and the environment over the long-term. These partnerships also support new economic opportunities for climate vulnerable and underserved communities.

REGION 1 TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO BROWNFIELDS (TAB) PROVIDER

TAB providers serve as an independent resource and can provide expert technical assistance to help communities address brownfield sites. The primary TAB provider in Region 1 is the [University of Connecticut](#).

NATIONAL TAB PROVIDERS

- **Brownfields Reuse:** [Center for Creative Land Recycling](#)
- **Equitable Development Technical Assistance:** [Groundwork USA](#)



*Additional EPA assistance is available to support **equitable development** and community **efforts to become more resilient to climate change impacts** throughout the brownfield cleanup and redevelopment process.*

CLIMATE ADAPTATION AND EQUITABLE DEVELOPMENT TOOLS AND RESOURCES

- **Environmental Justice Mapping Tool:** [EJScreen](#)
- **Community Assets and Vulnerabilities:** [EnviroAtlas](#)
- **Climate & Brownfields:** [Climate Smart Brownfields Manual](#)
- **Resilience and Adaptation:** [RAINE Database](#)
- **Renewable Energy Initiative:** [RE-Powering America](#)
- **Urban Agriculture:** [Know Before You Grow](#) and [soilSHOPS](#)
- **Office of Community Revitalization:** [Smart Growth Technical Assistance](#) and [Minimizing Displacement](#)

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For more information on EPA's Brownfield program, visit: [EPA Brownfields](#) | [EPA Brownfields and Land Revitalization in New England](#)