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# **Program Services**

The Kentucky Brownfield Redevelopment Program is here to help individuals, corporations, nonprofits and communities with their brownfield projects. We offer a variety of services to those who are interested in turning problem properties into economic and community development opportunities. Our services include:

#### **Assessments**

Critical to liability protection and grant eligibility, environmental assessments are <u>strongly encouraged</u> for any property that you are purchasing or taking as a gift. The Kentucky Brownfield Redevelopment Program can provide Targeted Brownfield Assessments (TBAs) to local governments and nonprofits free of charge. The TBA includes an "all appropriate inquiry" (phase I environmental assessment) and phase II assessment activities to better characterize the site.

Risk Management

Brownfield Redevelopment Program staff can assist qualified property owners and prospective property owners by offering documentation that they will not held responsible for conducting site investigation under Kentucky Superfund laws. This program helps removes some of the uncertainty involved with brownfield redevelopment.

## **Revolving Loan Fund and Tax Incentives**

The Kentucky Cleaner Commonwealth (CCF) Fund was established from an \$850,000 U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Brownfield Revolving Loan Fund Grant. This allows the Kentucky Brownfield Redevelopment Program to make subgrants and loans to eligible entities (public entities, nonprofits and quasi governmental agencies) for cleanup-related activities at eligible brownfield sites. Grants and loans from the CCF are set up on a reimbursement structure. Loans can be low-to-no interest and there is an opportunity for partial loan forgiveness for eligible entities and properties. Kentucky also offers tax incentives for redevelopment of qualified properties. The Kentucky Brownfield Redevelopment Program can help determine if your site is eligible.

### **Grant Writing Assistance**

Each year the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) solicits proposals for assessment, cleanup and revolving loan fund grant proposals. Our program provides grant writing workshops, grant review events and individual grant review services to make your application as strong as possible.

### Help Desk and Technical Assistance

The Brownfield Help Desk (502-782-6189) connects you with a member of the Kentucky Brownfield Redevelopment Program team that can assist in answering your brownfield related questions. Technical Assistance is also available as you undertake a brownfield redevelopment project.

### Information and Education

If you are interested in future trainings, such as grant writing workshops, mailings and newsletters, contact us and we will be happy to put you on our brownfield distribution list. Our staff is also available to provide one-on-one sessions and group presentations.

