



2014 U.S. EPA ENVIRONMENTAL SITE ASSESSMENT GRANT

The City of Grand Rapids Brownfield Redevelopment Authority (BRA) is the recipient of a Fiscal Year 2014 Environmental Site Assessment Grant Award from the United States Environmental Protection Agency. The \$400,000 grant provides funding for environmental site assessment and due care planning to support acquisition and redevelopment of brownfield properties located within the City. The BRA has retained three (3) environmental consultants to provide professional environmental and consulting services under the grant. The U.S. EPA must make a determination that a property is an eligible brownfield property in order to qualify for grant funding.

Activities that may be eligible for grant funding include:

- Phase I and Phase II Environmental Assessments
- Baseline Environmental Assessments
- Due Care Plan/Documentation of Due Care Compliance

Grant funds may be utilized to fund these eligible activities on eligible properties lying within the City limits; however, in its grant application to the U.S. EPA, the BRA identified five (5) target neighborhoods as priorities for grant funding. The target neighborhoods are:

- [Southeast Community Association](#)
- [Heartside Neighborhood](#)
- [Madison Neighborhood](#)
- [Baxter Neighborhood](#)
- [Black Hills Neighborhood](#)

Funding for projects that are not located in these target neighborhoods will typically be limited to a maximum of \$20,000 to allow the BRA to direct the maximum amount of funding to the target neighborhoods. In addition, the BRA will prioritize projects based on the level of contamination known to be present at a property (i.e. risk to human health and the environment) and the level of private investment, job retention and new job creation anticipated.

For additional information, or to discuss whether a property or project is eligible, please contact:

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